

# Jae Jung (Katie) Heo

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## EDUCATION

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### Middlebury College

*Candidate for Bachelor of Arts, Double Major in Geography and Environmental Justice*

**Relevant Coursework:** Human Geography with GIS, Open GIScience, Ecology & Evolution Lab, Contested Grounds, Race & Ethnicities in the U.S, Environmental Anthropology

**Activities:** The Knoll, International Students' Organization, Korean American Student Association, The Dark Room

**Vermont, U.S.**

*Expected May 2025*

### UWC Robert Bosch College

**IB:** 42/45; Top 5% of Graduating Class

**Activities:** RBCMUN, United Worldwide Student Magazine, Japan-Korea Youth Conference, Klostergarten

**Freiburg, Germany**

*May 2021*

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## EXPERIENCE

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### Institute of Climate and Peace

*Associate*

- Contributes to developing and implementing sustainable peacebuilding and conflict transformation portfolios and project briefs.
- Ensures high-quality delivery of ICP's initiatives through preparation, coordination, and engagement with participants while adeptly synthesizing information for a broad range of individuals.
- Works in the Creative Storytelling and Communications Team to integrate program development in climate resilience.
- Supports the non-profit's mission by elevating expertise in the natural environment and climate policy, leveraging world-class data and science, cultivating meaningful and lasting engagements, and developing partnerships with indigenous communities in Hawai'i, Micronesia, and the Pacific-Asia region.

**Hawai'i, U.S.**

*June 2023 — Present*

### Middlebury College

*Residence Assistant*

- Guides 30 students in navigating the first year of college by fostering an open environment.
- Manages administrative tasks that include the maintenance of the residential building and the administration of the budget.
- Creates and leads student activities amongst the Residential Life team.

**Vermont, U.S.**

*August 2022 — Present*

### UWC Korea Youth Leadership Forum 2022

*Program Facilitator*

- Assisted 30 participants in writing a research paper on the protection of refugee human rights.
- Facilitated discussion and helped groups prepare their presentation on sections: history of refugees, case studies of past refugee crises, international organizations, and regulations on refugees.
- Translated research paper from English to Korean for the Council on Diplomacy for Korean Unification to read.

**Seoul, South Korea**

*May 2022 — July 2022*

### Wild Roots Farm

*Student Intern*

- Led weekly meetings with community partners from Wild Roots Farm where we discussed plans for herbal medicine and soil health workshops, intensive vegetable farming, processing seeds, and more events on the farm.
- Worked with underserved communities (army veterans and women of color) to implement sustainable and more ecologically oriented practices in the Middlebury community.

**Vermont, U.S.**

*January 2022 — May 2022*

### Korea-Japan Youth Conference

*Founder and Co-President*

- Gathered the first Korean organizational team of 12 people with the aim of improving the relationship between Japan and South Korea through discussion.
- Established the online program and lecture and recruited leading experts in the Japanese and Korean relationship field from university professors to diplomats to speak.
- Facilitated team debates on the discourse in history books currently taught in public schools in both countries.
- Organized a summer camp that aims to promote discussions and other interactive discussions between Japanese and South Korean students.

**Seoul, South Korea / Remote**

*January 2019 — June 2021*

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## ADDITIONAL

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**Scholarships and Awards:** 8<sup>th</sup> cohort of BOLD Women's Leadership Initiative (2023-2025), Davis United World College Scholar (2019-2025), Secretary-General Award in WFUNA Essay Writing Competition (2018)

**Language Skills:** Korean (Native), German (Intermediate), Tagalog (Intermediate)

**Computer Skills:** GIS (Geographic Information System), R, Git, Excel, PowerPoint