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EDUCATION

- Aug 2013 – Aug 2018 **Ph.D. in Public Administration** (public budgeting and finance, public policy), School of Public Administration, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- Aug 2009 – Aug 2011 **Master of Public Administration** (urban and local administration), Graduate School of Governance, Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, South Korea)
- Mar 2003 – Aug 2009 **B. A. in Public Administration** and **B. A. in Economics**, Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, South Korea)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Aug 2018 – Present **Assistant Professor of Public Policy and Administration**, Department of Political Science, University of Alabama
- Aug 2016 – May 2018 **Instructor**, School of Public Administration, University of Nebraska at Omaha

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- May 2016 – May 2018 **Affiliated Research Assistant**, Nebraska State and Local Government Finance Lab, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- Aug 2013 – Aug 2016 **Graduate Research Assistant**, School of Public Administration, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- Mar 2012 – Jun 2012 **Project-commissioned Researcher**, Korea Institute of Science & Technology Evaluation and Planning (Seoul, South Korea)
- Sep 2011 – Aug 2013 **Researcher**, Institute of Social Science, Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, South Korea)
- Sep 2009 – Aug 2011 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Public Administration, Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, South Korea)
- Sep 2009 – Aug 2011 **Research Fellow**, Brain Korea 21, Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, South Korea)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public budgeting and financial management: Fiscal federalism, state and local fiscal condition, fiscal rules and institutions, government accounting and financial reporting, and budget reforms

Public policy: Local economic development, policy tools, and collaborative governance

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Book

Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, McDonald, B., & Deller, S. C. (in-press). *Understanding municipal fiscal health: A model for local governments in the USA*. New York, NY: Routledge.

Peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters (* denotes a student co-author)

Park, S., Maher, C. S., & Deller, S. C. (accepted). The impact of fiscal rules on local debt: Credit ratings, borrowing costs and debt. In Johnson, C., Moldogaziev, T., & Ross, J. (Eds.), *Research handbook on city and municipal finance*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing.

Park, S. (2022). Examining the fiscal impact of tax and expenditure limitations on municipal governments: A rule design approach. *Local Government Studies*. Published online.

Park, S., Kim, Y.*, Ebdon, C., & Maher, C. S. (2022). Fiscal effects of interlocal collaboration: Evidence from Nebraska counties. *Local Government Studies*, 48(4): 749-770.

Shi, Y., Chen, C., & **Park, S.** (2022). Managing the COVID-19 crisis by fiscal strategies: Lessons from four countries. *Chinese Public Administration Review*, 13(1-2): 3-14.

Park, S. & Maher, C. S. (2021). Framework for a cost-benefit analysis of a large-scale food processing plant in a small rural community: The case of Costco's poultry plant in Fremont, Nebraska. In Hoflund, A. B., Jones, J. C., & Pautz, M. C. (Eds.), *Food policy and politics: The role of the administrative state in the U.S. food system*. pp.201-220. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books

Park, S. (2020). American public budgeting and financial management. In Wonhee Lee et al. (Eds). *U.S. public administration and policy: Perspectives from South Korean scholars*. pp.117-149. Seoul, Korea: Daeyoung Moonhwas Publishing Co. (in Korean)

Park, S., & Maher, C. S. (2020). Government financial management and the coronavirus pandemic: A comparative look at South Korea and the United States. *The American Review of Public Administration*, 50(6-7): 590-597.

Park, S., Maher, C. S., & Ebdon, C. (2020). Interlocal collaboration and local fiscal structure: Do state incentives matter? *Public Budgeting & Finance*, 40(2): 20-43.

Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Liao, W.* (2019). Municipal referenda activity in Colorado: Responding to TABOR. *Municipal Finance Journal*, 40(3): 1-26.

- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Park, J. (2019). The (d)evolution of TIF use: Redevelopment to land development in Nebraska. In Johnson, C., & Kriz, K. (Eds.), *Tax increment financing and economic development: Uses, structures and impact*. pp.173-198. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.
- Gorina, E., Maher, C. S., & **Park, S.** (2019). Toward a theory of fiscal slack. *Public Budgeting & Finance*, 39(4): 48-74.
- Park, S.** (2018). The impacts of state-imposed fiscal rules on municipal government fiscal outcomes: Does institutional configuration matter? *State & Local Government Review*, 50(4): 230–243.
- Park, S.**, Maher, C. S., & Ebdon, C. (2018). Local property tax limits in Nebraska: Within-state variations in effects. *Public Administration Quarterly*, 42(3): 328-371.
- Park, J. & **Park, S.** (2018). The effect of revenue diversification and form of government on public spending. *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting & Financial Management*, 30(2): 211-229.
- Park, J., **Park, S.**, & Maher, C. S. (2018). The effects of tax and expenditure limitations (TEs) on municipal fiscal outcomes during a period of fiscal distress. *Public Finance & Management*, 18(1): 84-110.
- Stallmann, J. I., Maher, C. S., Deller, S. C., & **Park, S.** (2017). Surveying the effects of limitations on taxes and expenditures: What do/don't we know? *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, 3(2): 197-222.
- Maher, C. S., Deller, S. C., Stallmann, J. L., & **Park, S.** (2017). The effects of tax and expenditure limits on state fiscal reserves. *Public Policy & Administration*, 32(2): 130-151.
- Maher, C. S., Deller, S. C., Stallmann, J. L., & **Park, S.** (2016). The impact of tax and expenditure limits on municipal credit ratings. *The American Review of Public Administration*, 46(5): 592-613.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Harrold, J. (2016). The effects of tax and expenditure limits on municipal pension and OPEB funding during the Great Recession. *Public Finance & Management*, 16(2): 121-146.
- Jeong, M. G., Bae, S., Moon, S. J., & **Park, S.** (2013). Collaboration and the choice of local economic development program. *Korean Journal of Policy Analysis and Evaluation*, 23(1): 195-222. (in Korean)
- Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2013). An exploratory analysis of local capacity building programs and their effects: Focusing on the Jecheon sustainable development committee. *The Korean Journal of Public Administration*, 22(1): 91-127. (in Korean)
- Park, S.**, Kim, J., & Jeong, M. G. (2012). The agglomeration effect of creative industry on local economy. *The Korea Local Administration Review*, 26(3): 173-206. (in Korean)
- Park, S.** & Jeong, M. G. (2012). The determinants of inter-local government collaboration for regional economic development. *Korean Public Administration Review*, 46(2): 185-212. (in Korean)

Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2011). Local actors and their relationships: The case of local boundary change in the Seoul metropolitan area. *The Korea Public Administration Journal*, 20(4): 149-171. (in Korean)

Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2011). An exploratory analysis of urban boundary changes in Seoul. *Journal of Local Government Studies*. 23(2): 133-158. (in Korean)

Others: Op-eds and professional reports

Park, S. (Sep 2019). Evidence shows that more restrictions on municipal budgets could create unintended consequences. The London School of Economics and Political Science's USAPP blog.

Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Park, J. (2017). *Examining Nebraska's local finance picture*. Professional Report. Nebraska State and Local Government Finance Lab, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Deichert, J. & **Park, S.** (2017). *Revenue forecasts for the government of the U.S. Virgin Islands*. Professional Report. Center for Public Affairs Research, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Works in progress

Park, S. Organizational performance and government resource allocation: Panel evidence from Washington state's public programs. *Public Performance & Management Review*. R&R.

Park, S., Maher, C. S., & Liao, W. Revisiting the (lack of) association between subjective and objective measures of fiscal condition. *Public Budgeting & Finance*. R&R.

Park, S. Municipal home-rule authority and its fiscal outcomes: Evidence from nationwide data.

Park, S. & Kim, Y. Slack resources, external rules, and organizational sustainability: Evidence from New York school districts.

Park, S. & Kim, C. G. Political budget cycle at the school district level: Evidence from California.

Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & McDonald, B. Understanding local fiscal condition from an international perspective.

Kang, H. & **Park, S.** Organizational disparity and fiscal health: Testing the mediation of organizational management choices.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Kim, Y. & **Park, S.** (2022). Is an audit report informative? Evidence from U.S. states. *Association for Budgeting & Financial Management (ABFM) Annual Conference*. Miami, FL. September 22-24.

Kang, H. & **Park, S.** (2022). Fiscal disparities and local governments' strategies to improve financial performance: Evidence from California municipalities. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Miami, FL. September 22-24.

- Maher, C. S., Justice, J., Kavanagh, S., McDonald, B., & **Park, S.** (2022) Round table: Government fiscal health and fiscal stress. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Miami, FL. September 22-24.
- Park, S.** & Kim, Y. (2022). Slack resources, external rules, and organizational sustainability: Evidence from New York school districts. *Western Social Science Association (WSSA) Annual Conference*. Denver, CO. March 30-April 2.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Liao, W. (2021). Revisiting the (lack of) association between subjective and objective measures of fiscal condition. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 30-October 2.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, McDonald, B., & Deller, S. C. (2021). Financial condition analysis: Benefits of case studies. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 30-October 2.
- McDonald, B., Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Deller, S. C. (2021). Measuring fiscal health: Challenges of definition. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 30-October 2.
- Park, S.**, Maher, C. S., McDonald, B., & Deller, S. C. (2021). Modeling financial condition analysis. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 30-October 2.
- Park, S.** (2021). Fiscal restrictions and bureaucrats' budget preferences: Panel evidence based on the American State Administrators Project survey. *WSSA Annual Conference*. Virtual. April 12-25.
- Park, S.** & Larson, S. (2021). Vertical competition among overlapping jurisdictions: Panel evidence from local property tax decisions in Florida. *American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Conference*. Virtual. April 9-15.
- Shi, Y., Chen, C., & **Park, S.** (2020). Fiscal policy responses to the coronavirus pandemic: A tale of four countries. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Virtual. September 24-26.
- Park, S.** & Larson, S. (2020). Vertical competition among overlapping jurisdictions: Panel evidence from local property tax decisions in Florida. *WSSA Annual Conference*. Virtual. June 18-21.
- Park, S.**, Ebdon, C., & Kim, Y. (2019). Public joint activity and local government fiscal outcomes. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 26-28.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.** & Liao, W. (2019). Revisiting the (lack of) relationship between objective and subjective measures of fiscal health. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 26-28.
- McDonald, B., **Park, S.**, & Chelbi, L. (2019). Understanding the role of governance on fiscal health: An examination of African countries. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, DC. September 26-28.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.** & Liao, W. (2019). Revisiting the question: Do objective measures of fiscal health relate to subjective measures? *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Diego, CA. April 24-27.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.** & Reitano, V. (2019). Triangulating budget methods research: A mixed methods approach. *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Diego, CA. April 24-27.

- Park, S.,** Maher, C. S., & Ebdon, C. (2018). Interlocal collaboration and local fiscal outcomes: Do state incentives work? *ABFM Annual Conference*. Denver, CO. October 4-6.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.** & Liao, W. (2018). Municipal referenda activity in Colorado: Responding to TABOR. *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Antonio, TX. April 4-7.
- Gorina, E., Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Liao, W. (2018). Towards a theory of municipal fiscal reserves. *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Antonio, TX. April 4-7.
- Park, S.** (2017). How to make fiscal rules work? Applying the game-theoretic idea of institutional diversity to state-imposed municipal tax and expenditure limitations. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, D.C. September 28-30.
- Maher, C. S. & **Park, S.** (2017). Municipal referenda activity in Colorado post-TABOR. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, D.C. September 28-30.
- Park, S.** (2017). Game-theoretic thinking of state-imposed tax and expenditure limitations (TELS): Rule design and municipal fiscal outcomes. *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Francisco, CA. April 12-15.
- Maher, C. S., **Park, S.** & Park, J. (2017). The (d)evolution of TIF Use: Redevelopment to land development in Nebraska. *WSSA Annual Conference*, CA. April 12-15.
- Park, S.** & Yang, H. (2017). Organizational performance achievement and government resource allocation: Rewards, sanctions, or else? *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Francisco, CA. April 12-15.
- Yang, H. & **Park, S.** (2017). Government structure and performance management: Exploring the links between form of government and the use of performance information. *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Francisco, CA. April 12-15.
- Gorina, E., Maher, C. S., **Park, S.**, & Liao, W. (2017). Towards a theory of municipal fiscal reserves: What do we know and what still beats us? *WSSA Annual Conference*. San Francisco, CA. April 12-15.
- Park, S.** (2016). The assessment of the impacts of differently-designed tax and expenditure limitations (TELS) on municipal government revenues: A game-theoretic approach. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Seattle, WA. October 6-8.
- Maher, C. S. & **Park, S.** (2016). The effect of TEL Structure on local fiscal outcomes. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Seattle, WA. October 6-8.
- Park, S.** (2016). The impact of state-imposed fiscal rules on municipal government fiscal outcomes: Does institutional design matter? *ASPA Annual Conference*. Seattle, WA. March 18-22.
- Park, S.,** Maher, C. S., & Ebdon, C. (2015). Local property tax limits in Nebraska: Within-state variations in effects. *ABFM Annual Conference*. Washington, D.C. October 1-3.

- Park, J. & **Park, S.** (2015). The interaction effect of revenue diversification on the relationship between political structure and public spending: The application of fiscal illusion theory. *WSSA Annual Conference*. Portland, OR. April 8-11.
- Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2012). Performance management and business incentives for local development in American local governments. *Korean Association for Policy Studies International Conference*. Seoul, Korea.
- Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2012). Diversity of local capacity: Focusing on the case of Local Agenda 21. *Korean Association for Public Administration (KAPA) International Conference*. Seoul, Korea. (in Korean)
- Park, S.** & Jeong, M. G. (2011). The determinants of inter-local government collaboration: Focusing on the regional economic development area. *KAPA-ASPA International Conference*. Seoul, Korea. (in Korean)
- Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2011). The governance approach to local boundary change in Seoul. *Korean Association for Local Government Studies (KALGS) Conference*. Gumi, Korea. (in Korean)
- Jeong, M. G. & **Park, S.** (2011). An exploratory research on urban boundary change in Seoul. *KALGS Conference*. Seoul, Korea. (in Korean)
- Park, S.**, Kim, J., & Jeong, M. G. (2011). The agglomeration effect of creative industry on urban economic development. *KAPA Conference*. Gyeonggi, Korea. (in Korean)
- Kim, J. & **Park, S.** (2011). An analysis of the relationship between local economic development and environmental policies. *KAPA Conference*. Chungju, Korea. (in Korean)

TEACHING

University of Alabama

- PSC320 Special Studies (in-person)
- PSC321 Interorganizational Relations in the Public Sector (in-person/online)
- PSC361 Fiscal Policy and Budgets (in-person/online)
- PSC598 Direct Reading and Research (in-person)
- PSC663 Public Policy and Network (in-person)
- PSC664 Public Policy Analysis (in-person/online)
- PSC667 Public Budgeting (in-person/online)

University of Nebraska at Omaha

- PA2170 Introduction to Public Administration (in-person/online)
- PA3000 Applied Statistics (online)

SERVICES

University and college

University of Alabama

Faculty Senate Alternate (April 2021-March 2022)

Faculty portfolio reviewer, New College (Fall 2021)

Judge, Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Conference (March 25, 2021; Apr 4, 2022)

Judge, Undergraduate Research Summit, College of Arts and Sciences (April 12, 2019)

Department

Department of Political Science, University of Alabama

MPA Committee (August 2018 to Present)

Speakers Committee (August 2018 to Present)

Undergraduate Studies Committee (August 2022 to Present)

Faculty Search Committee

- Global political economy position (September 2020 to March 2021)
- Public administration NTRC position (August 2021 to March 2022)

Dissertation Committee

- Annah Rogers (January 2021 to March 2022)

Directed student learning

- Celine Kim (Oct 2020 to Apr 2021): Supervised graduate research; led to a research presentation at 2021 WSSA Annual Conference and two graduate student awards (Outstanding Graduate Paper Award and N. Joseph Cayer Public Administration Best Student Paper Award)

Ph.D. and MA comprehensive exam evaluator (Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022)

Others: Professional, public, community services

Editorial positions

- Associate editor, *International Review of Public Administration* (Jan 2022 to Present)
- Symposium editor, *International Journal of Public Administration* (Oct 2022 to Present)

Manuscript review

- *International Review of Administrative Science* (Summer 2020)
- *International Review of Public Administration* (Spring 2021; Spring 2022)
- *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* (Spring 2022)
- *Journal of Public Affairs Education* (Spring 2019)
- *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs* (Spring 2021; Summer 2022)
- *Local Government Studies* (Fall 2021)
- *Municipal Finance Journal* (Fall 2020)
- *Public Administration* (Spring 2021)
- *Public Administration Review* (Fall 2019; Spring 2020)
- *Public Budgeting & Finance* (Fall 2017; Fall 2019; Spring 2020; Spring 2021; Spring 2022)
- *Public Finance Review* (Summer 2021)
- *Public Management Review* (Fall 2021)

- *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* (Summer 2020)
- *Research Handbook on City and Municipal Finance* (Spring 2022)
- *Research Handbook on Public Financial Management* (Fall 2021)
- *State & Local Government Review* (Fall 2019)
- *The American Review of Public Administration* (Spring 2016)

Conference chair/moderator

- 2021 American Society for Public Administration Conference
- 2019, 2021 Western Social Science Association Conference
- 2019 Southeastern Conference of Public Administration

Media appearance/coverage

- Fisher, B. (March 30, 2021). Analysis: What is the best practice for how much Selma should allow department heads to spend? *The Selma Sun*.
- Justin, M. (December 2018). It's hard to get cities to share services. States can help. *Governing*. Research cited: Interlocal collaboration and local fiscal outcomes: Do state incentives work?

AWARDS AND HONORS

2018 Pi Alpha Alpha, School of Public Administration, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Best Paper Award of 2017, *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*

Best Graduate Paper Award, 2017 WSSA graduate student paper competition

Best Paper, the Asian Scholarship Award at 2016 ASPA conference

Best Thesis Award of 2011, Graduate School of Governance, Sungkyunkwan University

Achievement Award of 2011, Graduate School of Governance, Sungkyunkwan University

Grand Prize, the 2011 Academic Thesis Contest of the Governors Association of Korea

Encouragement Prize, The 2011 Academic Thesis Contest of the Korea Institute of Public Administration

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Research grants

2022 Small Grant Program, University of Alabama (PI; \$6,000; not awarded)

2021 Small Grant Program, University of Alabama (PI; \$6,000; not awarded)

2021 Gil Crane Memorial Research Grant, Government Accounting Standards Board (PI; \$13,000; finalist but not awarded)

CPACS Inquiry Award of 2018-2019, University of Nebraska at Omaha (Co-PI; \$10,000)

2017 Dissertation Fellowship, University of Nebraska at Omaha (\$2,000)

2016 Graduate Research and Creative Activity Grant, University of Nebraska at Omaha (\$5,000)

2015 Graduate Research and Creative Activity Grant, University of Nebraska at Omaha (\$5,000)

Others

2017 Advantage Scholarship, University of Nebraska at Omaha (\$1,000)

Graduate Assistantship, Fall 2013 to Spring 2017, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Graduate Assistantship, Fall 2009 to Spring 2011, School of Governance, Sungkyunkwan University

Academic Excellence Scholarship, Fall 2007 to Spring 2009, Sungkyunkwan University

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Member, Association for Budgeting and Financial Management

Member, Western Social Science Association

Member, Government Finance Officers Association

Dale Carnegie Leadership, certified by Dale Carnegie & Associates, Inc.

Active Learning Initiative Workshops, University of Alabama

Bauer Grant Writing Workshop, University of Alabama