

New Faculty Spotlight
Dr. Doo Young, Kim
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Dr. Doo Young Kim is a new faculty member in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. He was born and raised in South Korea where he received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Kyungwon University. It was then that he realized his true interest was in statistics. Dr. Kim worked in South Korea as a Math instructor for roughly 15 years. He then moved to Indiana, where he earned his master's degree in statistics from Ball State University. Shortly after, he received his Doctoral degree from the University of South Florida. After that he landed a job as a professor for Arkansas State University, where he worked for 2 years. Dr. Kim now works at Sam Houston State University where he teaches and does research on Financial statistics. He is interested in time dependent information such as behavior of prices of stocks and how a stock market is sensitive to political events such as presidential mid-term elections. "The math department is amazing here; the whole college is kind especially my department." Dr. Doo Young Kim says. He said that everyone in the department is in some way better than him and that is what he wanted, to be surrounded with people that will challenge him on a daily basis. "I teach, but that is such a small part, I also read papers, hold office hours, and I do research. I analyze data and make decisions based on the analysis, it's a crucial part for a data scientist like me" Says Dr. Doo Young Kim. He passionately expressed to me that he truly loves teaching. "I believe I'm getting younger, on the outside I'm getting older, but on the inside I'm getting younger" he expressed, while explaining how he is always working with young people, who change and inspire him every day.

Fun Facts

1. What is your favorite holiday & why?

“Every holiday is good but if I must choose one, then it would be Korean New Year Day. This New Year will occur on February 5th, 2019, according the lunar calendar. Korea, Japan and China all celebrate this New Years. It is my favorite because it is the biggest holiday for my culture and all of my relatives get together!”

2. What show(s) are you currently watching?

“I am currently watching a popular Korean TV series called the “Curious Story, Y” and “That’s what I want to know (Secret).”

3. What was your first job?

“My first job, I was a part-time math instructor in South Korea and then I got into a IT company and worked on the business side.”

4. What do you do in your free time?

“Well, I have 2 daughters, so I am usually playing with them. I am trying to teach my 7 year old to ride her bike without the training wheels. I also just watch TV, play games, meet with my friends, attend church and occasionally attend the church meetings.”

5. Where was the best place you have ever been?

“Tinian, it is an island near Guam. You must fly 20 hours to a different island called Saipan from there, get on a small plane there, and then you can fly to Tinian. The hotels are like 7 stars, the Ocean and Beach are beautiful, and you can gamble there if you’d like!”