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Background: I was born in Seoul, South Korea. Upon finishing my bachelor degree in textile engineering, I came to the U.S. to pursue a master's degree in administration of justice at Wichita State University. I earned my doctorate degree in criminology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 2001.

Interests: I think crime is a product of the 'dark' side of human nature. After spending a lot of time teaching and researching crime-related subjects, I miss the good and beautiful side of human nature. I guess that's why I am so interested in the arts. Most of all, I love music and dance, especially ballet. I have been playing the piano since I was 8. I am a classically trained pianist. I also like to be physically active. I do aerobics, yoga, Pilates and ballet. I also love to travel with my husband. It is fascinating to see new things and to taste new foods.

Person I'd most like to have dinner with: There is no specific 'person.' However, I would really like to have dinner with my whole family. Since I came to the U.S., it has been really hard for my family in South Korea. I have missed a lot of family gatherings, including Thanksgiving, Christmas, birthday parties, family reunions, etc.

Why I work at The Rock: I have been so blessed with the people at The Rock. My co-workers and students are the best. People I have met at The Rock are very nice and very professional. Probably this is the main reason why I want to work here. Also, I like the support and encouragement that I receive from my colleagues and administrators for my teaching and my research. I am proud of being part of The Rock.

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