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For Graduate Degrees
Application Guidelines**

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I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Korean Government Scholarship Program is designed to provide higher education in Korea for international students with the aim of promoting international exchange in education, as well as fostering mutual friendship amongst the participating countries.

II. TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTEES : 780 CANDIDATES

1. Graduate Degree Programs: 775 Candidates

- 1) KGSP Quota Reserved for the Embassy Track: 470 Candidates (General + Korean Adoptees, Overseas Koreans)
(1) Embassy Track Quota for General Applicants: 450 Candidates from 146 Countries

No.	Countries & Region	Quota	No.	Countries & Region	Quota	No.	Countries & Region	Quota
1	Albanian	3	26	Canada	3	51	Georgia	3
2	Albania	1	27	Chile	3	52	Germany	4
3	Algeria	2	28	China	28	53	Ghana	5
4	Angola	2	29	Colombia	4	54	Greece	2
5	Argentina	3	30	Comoros	1	55	Guatemala	1
6	Armenia	3	31	Congo, Republic of	1	56	Guyana	1
7	Australia	1	32	Costa Rica	2	57	Haiti	1
8	Austria	1	33	Cote d'Ivoire	4	58	Honduras	1
9	Azerbaijan	4	34	Croatia	1	59	Hong Kong	2
10	Bahamas, The	1	35	Czech Republic	2	60	Hungary	3
11	Bahrain	1	36	Denmark	1	61	India	8
12	Bangladesh	5	37	Djibouti	1	62	Indonesia	10
13	Barbados	2	38	Dominican Republic	2	63	Iran	1
14	Belarus	1	39	DR Congo	3	64	Iraq	3
15	Belgium	2	40	Ecuador	6	65	Ireland	1
16	Benin	1	41	Egypt	4	66	Israel	4
17	Bolivia	1	42	El Salvador	3	67	Italy	4
18	Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	43	Equatorial Guinea	1	68	Jamaica	1
19	Botswana	2	44	Estonia	1	69	Japan	10
20	Brazil	6	45	Ethiopia	6	70	Jordan	3
21	Brunei	3	46	Fiji	2	71	Kazakhstan	5
22	Bulgaria	6	47	Finland	3	72	Kenya	3
23	Burkina Faso	1	48	France	3	73	Kuwait	1
24	Burundi	1	49	Gabon	3	74	Kyrgyz Republic	6
25	Cambodia	4	50	The Gambia	1	75	Laos	6

No.	Countries & Region	Quota	No.	Countries & Region	Quota	No.	Countries & Region	Quota
76	Latvia	1	102	Paraguay	3	128	Tajikistan	4
77	Lebanon	1	103	Peru	5	129	Tanzania	3
78	Lesotho	1	104	Philippines	5	130	Thailand	3
79	Libya	2	105	Poland	1	131	Timor-Leste	5
80	Madagascar	2	106	Portugal	1	132	Togo	1
81	Malawi	1	107	Quebec (Canada)	2	133	Trinidad and Tobago	2
82	Malaysia	5	108	Romania	2	134	Tunisia	4
83	Mauritania	1	109	Russia	10	135	Turkey	6
84	Mauritius	1	110	Rwanda	3	136	Turkmenistan	4
85	Mexico	5	111	Saint Kitts and Nevis	1	137	Uganda	5
86	Mongolia	6	112	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	1	138	United Kingdom	4
87	Montenegro	1	113	Saudi Arabia	1	139	Ukraine	1
88	Morocco	4	114	Senegal	4	140	Uruguay	1
89	Mozambique	3	115	Serbia	4	141	U.S.A	16
90	Myanmar	6	116	Singapore	3	142	Uzbekistan	5
91	Namibia	1	117	Slovakia	1	143	Venezuela	3
92	Nepal	3	118	Slovenia	1	144	Vietnam	11
93	Netherlands	1	119	Somalia	1	145	Zambia	1
94	New Zealand	1	120	South Africa	3	146	Zimbabwe	1
95	Nicaragua	1	121	Spain	2			
96	Nigeria	4	122	Sri Lanka	5			
97	Norway	1	123	Sudan	3			
98	Oman	3	124	Sweden	1			
99	Pakistan	5	125	Switzerland	1			
100	Palestine	1	126	Syria	1			
101	Panama	4	127	Taiwan	4			

- The Embassy Track applicants must submit their application documents to the Embassy of the Republic of Korea in their respective countries of citizenship. Please see Appendix B for the list of Korean Embassies.
- Refer to the section VI for the details on the application procedure.
- The quota allocation is decided based on the mutual agreements on cultural and education cooperation between Korea and the countries listed above.
- Among the assigned 470 Embassy track quota, 20 are separately reserved for the overseas Korean adoptees (Overseas Korean included) from 18 countries. The overseas Korean adoptees submit their applications to the Korean embassies in 18 countries where they hold citizenship and will be selected from their own applicant pool. (Refer to the below chart)
- ※ *Affiliated*: Overseas Koreans refer to ethnic Koreans who do not own Korean citizenships. They include Korean adoptees and offspring of Korean diaspora or Korean immigrants who live in countries out of the Korean peninsula.

(2) Embassy Track Quota for Overseas Korean Adoptees: 20 Candidates from 18 Countries (Overseas Koreans Included)

No.	Countries & Region	Quota	No.	Countries & Region	Quota
1	Australia	1	7	Italy	1
2	Belgium	1	8	Netherlands	1
3	Canada	1	9	Norway	1
4	Denmark	1	10	Sweden	1
5	France	1	11	Switzerland	1
6	Germany	1	12	U.S.A.	3
			13	China	1
			14	Japan	1
			15	Uzbekistan	1
			16	Russia	1
			17	Kazakhstan	1
			18	Brazil	1

- Overseas Korean Adoptees who have graduated or are expected to graduate from Korean universities are eligible to apply.
- Overseas Koreans can apply for this track.

2) 2018 KGSP Quota Reserved for the University Track: 305 Candidates from 80 Countries

No.	Country & Region		Quota		No.	Country & Region		Quota	
	General	Regional & Science	General	Total		General	Regional & Science	Total	
1	Algeria	2	-	2	41	Malaysia	6	3	9
2	Austria	1	-	1	42	Maldives	1	-	1
3	Azerbaijan	2	-	2	43	Mauritania	1	-	1
4	Bangladesh	5	2	7	44	Mexico	5	2	7
5	Belize	1	-	1	45	Moldova	2	-	2
6	Bhutan	1	-	1	46	Mongolia	7	4	11
7	Bolivia	1	-	1	47	Morocco	1	-	1
8	Brazil	5	2	7	48	Myanmar	6	3	9
9	Bulgaria	1	-	1	49	Nepal	5	2	7
10	Cambodia	7	3	10	50	Netherlands	1	-	1
11	Cameroun	3	2	5	51	Nigeria	5	2	7
12	Canada	1	-	1	52	Pakistan	6	3	9
13	Chile	1	-	1	53	Peru	3	1	4
14	Colombia	3	-	3	54	Philippines	7	3	10
15	Congo, Republic of	1	-	1	55	Poland	3	1	4
16	Costa Rica	1	-	1	56	Romania	3	1	4
17	Dominican Republic	1	-	1	57	Russia	6	3	9
18	DR Congo	1	-	1	58	Rwanda	3	2	5
19	Egypt	3	1	4	59	Senegal	3	-	3
20	El Salvador	1	-	1	60	Sierra Leone	1	-	1
21	Ethiopia	6	2	8	61	Singapore	1	-	1
22	France	2	-	2	62	Slovakia	1	-	1
23	Gabon	1	-	1	63	Spain	2	-	2
24	Germany	1	-	1	64	Sri Lanka	3	2	5
25	Ghana	4	2	6	65	Sudan	1	-	1
26	Guinea	3	-	3	66	Taiwan	3	2	5
27	Hungary	2	-	2	67	Tajikistan	2	-	2
28	India	4	2	6	68	Tanzania	3	2	5
29	Indonesia	8	4	12	69	Thailand	7	3	10
30	Iran	2	-	2	70	Timor-Leste	1	-	1
31	Israel	1	-	1	71	Turkey	3	2	5
32	Italy	2	-	2	72	Turkmenistan	2	-	2
33	Japan	1	-	1	73	Uganda	3	1	4
34	Jordan	1	-	1	74	United Kingdom	1	-	1
35	Kazakhstan	7	3	10	75	Ukraine	1	-	1
36	Kenya	2	-	2	76	U.S.A.	3	1	4
37	Kyrgyz Republic	4	2	6	77	Uzbekistan	8	3	11
38	Laos	3	-	3	78	Vietnam	8	4	12
39	Liberia	2	-	2	79	Yemen	1	-	1
40	Lithuania	2	-	2	80	Zambia	1	-	1

- Applicants who plan to apply for the KGSP scholarship through the University track must submit their applications to the designated Korean universities, listed in the section III.
- Refer to the section VI for the details on the application procedure.
- Among the assigned 305 University Track quota, 230 will be selected from all available fields of study.
- All applicants of the University Track must choose the option "General" for the type of application on the application Form I.

Among the assigned 305 University track quota, 75 are separately selected from the regional university applicants who applied for the majors in Natural Science and Engineering field. Refer to the above table for the list of applicable countries. For the full list of universities available to apply, refer to the table in section III.

2. Research Program: 5 Candidates

- The research program applicants must apply directly to the designated Korean universities, listed in the section III.
- Refer to the section IV for the details about the application procedure.
- For the research program, there is no reserved quota per country.

III. AVAILABLE UNIVERSITIES AND FIELDS OF STUDY

1. Available Universities: 64 universities designated by NIIED.

Non-Terminal	Available Universities (64 institutions)	Non-Terminal Universities	Total
	Academy of Korean Studies, Chung-Ang University, Dankook University, Dongguk University (Seoul Campus), Ewha Womans University, Gachon University, GIST, Hankyuk University of Foreign Studies, Hanyang University, Inha University, KAIST, KDI School, Konkuk University, Kookmin University, Korea University, Kyunghee University, Myongji University, POSTECH, Sangmyung University, Seoul National University, Seoul Tech, Sogang University, Sookmyung Women's University, Soongsil University, Sungkyunkwan University, UNIST, University of Seoul, Yonsei University	28	
Regional	Chonbuk National University, Chonnam National University, Chosun University, Chungbuk National University, Chungnam National University, Daegu University, Dong-a University, Dongguk University (Gyeongju Campus), Dongseo University, Gangneung-Wonju National University, Gyeongsang National University, Hallim University, Hangeong Global University, Hannam University, Hoso University, Jeju National University, Jeonju University, Keimyung University, Kongju National University, Konyang University, Korea Tech, Kureok National Institute of Technology, Kyungpook National University, Kyungsung University, Namsosol University, Pajon National University, Pukyong National University, Pusan National University, Seamyung University, Silla University, Soonchunhyang University, Suncheon National University, Sunmoon University, University of Ulsan, Wonkwang University, Yeungnam University	36	64

2. Available Fields of Study

- For, detailed information on majors (fields of study) offered by the universities listed above, refer to the "University Information" file attached under the GKS Notice post in our Study in Korea website (www.studyinkorea.go.kr).
- Applicants must choose their majors (fields of study) that are only listed in the "University Information" file.
- Night School, Short-term seasonal programs, online and distant-learning programs are not available to apply.

3. Available Degree Programs

- Doctoral Degree
- Master's Degree
- Research Program
 - Postdoctoral Research Program
 - Professor Exchange Program

IV. ELIGIBILITY

1. Nationality

- Applicants and their parents must hold non-Korean citizenship
- Korean citizens and dual citizenship holders (one who have Korean nationality and nationality of another country) are NOT eligible to apply.
- Applicants and their parents who had previously held Korean citizenship must submit the proof document of their renunciation of Korean citizenship

2. Age

- Applicants must be under 40 years of age as of September 1, 2018 (born after September 1, 1978)
- An applicant who qualifies ALL conditions below is eligible to apply as long as he or she is under 45 years of age as of September 1, 2018 (born after September 1, 1973):
 - He or she must be working as a professor at the time of applying; and
 - He or she is a citizen of one of the countries below:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Congo, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritropia, Fiji, Gabon, The Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kosovo, Kyrgyz Republic, Laos, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Rwanda, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe

3. Degree Requirements

- Applicants must hold or must be expecting to hold a Bachelor's, Master's or a Doctoral degree by August 31st, 2018.
 - Doctoral Program Applicant: Must hold a Master's degree or a diploma equivalent to or higher than a Master's degree
 - Master's Program Applicant: Must hold a Bachelor's degree or a diploma equivalent to or higher than a Bachelor's degree
 - Research Program Applicant: Must hold a degree or a diploma equivalent to or higher than a Master's degree and must have received invitation from a Korean university that participates in our program.
 - Postdoctoral Research Program: Must hold a doctoral degree or a diploma equivalent to a doctoral degree.
 - Professor Exchange Program: Must hold a Master's degree or a diploma equivalent to or higher than a Master's degree.

- An applicant who is expected to obtain the degree must first submit the certificate of expected graduation at the time of applying. The official degree certificate or diploma must be submitted by August 31st, 2018
- An applicant who has completed a Bachelor's, Master's, or a doctoral degree in Korea is NOT eligible to apply. (※Exception: Applicants who are overseas Korean Adoptees, Former and current KGSP Scholars)
- An applicant who has been enrolled in a Korean university as an exchange student is eligible to apply.
- A former or current KGSP scholar who is holding or is expected to hold the degree as of August 31st, 2018 is eligible to apply under following conditions:
 - Must apply through the Embassy Track or the University Track
 - Can only re-apply for the higher degree once (Bachelor's→ Master's, Master's→ Doctoral)

4. Grades

- An applicant must maintain the overall grade point average (CGPA) equivalent to or higher than any ONE of the followings:
 - 2.64 on a 4.0 scale;
 - 2.80 on a 4.3 scale;
 - 2.91 on a 4.5 scale;
 - 3.23 on a 5.0 scale; or
 - Score percentile: 80% or above (Exception: A former or current KGSP scholar must hold the grade of 90% or above)
- Refer to the Appendix A for the GPA Conversion table
- Any application with a GPA below the minimum requirement mentioned above will be considered disqualified and disregarded.
- An applicant must submit an official document issued by the applicant's alma mater describing the university's grade system and an applicant's academic performance if:
 - An applicant's transcript does not include information on GPA, marks or score percentile, or
 - The grades on an applicant's transcript are difficult to be converted into any one of the GPA criteria mentioned above.

5. Health

- An applicant must be in a good health, both mentally and physically, to study in Korea for the full duration of degree or research program.
- An applicant must submit Form 6 or the "Personal Medical Assessment" at the time of applying.
- All applicants who pass the 2nd round of selection must submit the results of the Comprehensive Medical Examination conducted by a doctor or a licensed physician.
- An applicant with the following conditions will be disqualified and one's scholarship will be canceled if:
 - An applicant is tested positive on drugs; or
 - An applicant owns serious health concerns that make the person difficult to pursue one's academic studies for the full duration of degree or research program in Korea.
- An applicant with disabilities who meets the above criteria is eligible to apply.

6. Restriction

- A former applicant who had withdrawn from the scholarship after being selected as KGSP scholar in the past is strictly NOT eligible to apply.

7. Preference

- An applicant who has attained certified scores for their proficiency in Korean or English may be given preference. Some examples include the followings:
 - Proficiency in Korean: TOPIK (Test of Proficiency in Korean)
 - Proficiency in English: TOEFL, TOEIC, or IELTS Academic (TOEFL ITPs are NOT acceptable)
- Applicants who apply for the majors in the field of Natural Science and Engineering may be given preference.
- Applicants who apply for the majors under the *Industrial Professionals Training Project* of the Korean government may be given preference.
- The professors at a higher education institution from developing countries, especially which receive Korea's Official Development Assistance (ODA) may be given preference.
- Descendants of the Korean War veterans will receive additional 5% of the total marks during the selection reviews.
- Applicants from low income families or underprivileged backgrounds will be given preference.
- Applicants who are confirmed to be the 'third generation' overseas Koreans will be given preference.

V. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

1. List of Required Documents for Master's and doctoral degree applicants.

	REQUIRED DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST	MASTERS	DOCTORAL	RESEARCH
1	Applicant Form (Form 1)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
2	Personal Statement (Form 2)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
3	Statement of Purpose (Form 3)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
4	Research Proposal (Form 4)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
5	TWO letters of Recommendation (Form 5)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
6	Letter of Invitation (Form 6) *ONLY for Research Program applicants	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
7	KGSP Applicant Pledge (Form 7)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
8	Personal Medical Assessment (Form 8)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
9	Bachelor's Diploma or Certificate of Degree (Original)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
10	Bachelor's degree Transcript (Original)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
11	Master's Diploma or Certificate of Degree (Original)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
12	Master's degree Transcript (Original)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
13	Doctoral Diploma or Certificate of Degree (Original) *ONLY for Postdoctoral Research Program applicants	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
14	Doctoral Transcript (Original) *ONLY for Postdoctoral Research Program applicants	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
15	Certificate of Employment (Original) *ONLY for Research Program applicants	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
16	Applicant's Proof of Citizenship	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
17	Parent's Proof of Citizenship	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
18	Certificate of Korean Citizenship Renunciation *ONLY for previous Korean citizenship holders	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS
19	Proof of Korean citizenship Renunciation *ONLY for previous Korean citizenship holders	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS
20	Proof of Korean Adoptive *ONLY for overseas Korean adoptees	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS
21	Certificate of valid TOPIK score	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
22	Certificate of valid English Proficiency Test	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
23	Published Papers	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
24	Awards	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
25	Applicant's Passport Copy	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
26	Comprehensive Medical Examination Results	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
		2 nd Round Successful Candidates		

2. Notes for ALL Applicants

- All application documents must be written either in Korean or in English.
- Documents written in languages other than Korean or English must accompany a complete Korean or English translation, authenticated by the issuing institution or notarized by a notary public.
- All documents submitted will NOT be returned to the applicants.
- The application documents must be submitted in the order of the checklist on the first page of the application form. Each required document must be numbered and labeled on the top right corner.
 - Example: 9. Bachelor's degree diploma

- All application documents must be presented in their original forms.
 - If an applicant has to submit the photocopied documents, the applicant MUST have the copies notarized or apostilled and then submit the notarized or apostilled copies.
 - For any academic documents that cannot be reissued, applicants must submit the notarized or apostilled copies of the original version.
 - Any incomplete or fraudulent applications will be discarded.
 - An applicant who is expected to graduate by August 31st, 2018 must submit a certificate of expected degree in place of the diploma at the time of applying. The official diploma or certificate of graduation (degree) must be submitted by August 31st, 2018.
 - The recommendation letters must be written by two different recommenders, who can give assessment on applicant's academic abilities.
 - Applicants must get sealed recommendation letters from their recommenders. Letters with broken seals at the time of applying will be considered invalid.
 - For the proof of published papers and awards, applicants can submit photocopied versions.
 - The scores of the language proficiency test must be valid at the time of applying.
 - The proof of citizenship must be the government-issued documents. Examples include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - A birth certificate issued by the government of the applicant's country,
 - A family register issued by the government of the applicant's country
 - Passport copies of the applicant and his or her parents
3. Embassy Track Applicants
- Applicants must submit ONE set of original application and THREE sets of photocopies, identical to the original set.
 - For sealed documents, such as recommendation letters, applicants must submit FOUR identical documents, each sealed in a separate envelope.
4. University Track Applicants
- Must submit ONE original application documents.
5. Research Program Applicants
- Must submit ONE original application documents.

VI. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. How to Apply

- 2018 Korean Government Scholarship Program for Graduate degree applicants must apply either to the Korean Embassy in their country of citizenship or directly to one of the selected universities.
- Offices accepting applications
 - 117 Embassies of the Republic of Korea: At some Korean embassies, the Korean Education Center or the Korean Cultural Center is the department in charge of accepting and reviewing KGSP applications. Contacting the embassy to inquire information on the department in charge is strongly recommended.
 - 64 Universities in Korea
- The application submitted to more than ONE office above, will be automatically disqualified and discarded.
- Those who apply as overseas Korean adoptees(Overseas Koreans included) must apply to the Korean Embassy in their home countries. Only those who own citizenships of one of the selected countries listed in II-1-(2) are eligible to apply.
- Former or current KGSP scholars can re-apply through the Embassy Track or University Track.
- Chinese applicants must submit their applications to the China Scholarship Council, in accordance with the agreement between the government of Korea and the government of China.
- The Czech Republic applicants must submit their applications to the Ministry of Education of the Czech Republic, in accordance with the agreement between the Korean government and the Czech Republic government.

2. Deadline of Application Submission

- The application deadline is set by each Korean embassy and the university that accepts applications.
- An applicant must check the deadline of the application by contacting the relevant embassy or the desired university directly.
- Please refer to the following for contact information:
 - Korean Embassies in foreign countries: Refer to Appendix B
 - Korean Universities: Refer to Appendix C or the "University Information" file attached to this year's KGSP-G announcement post.

3. Fields of Study and University Choice

- (1) Embassy Track Applicants
 - Applicants must choose **THREE** desired universities as well as fields of study out of the 64 universities listed in section III.
 - Applications that pass the 2nd round of selection will be reviewed by the universities for admission in the final round (Please refer to "4. Selection Procedure" below).
- (2) University Track
 - Applicants must choose **ONE** desired university out of the 64 universities listed above in section III.
- (3) For the list of universities and programs that are available to apply, please refer to the "University Information" file, attached along with the guidelines.

4. Selection Procedure

1st Round of Selection

Applicants submit applications to the Korean Embassies or to the designated universities in Korea. Each embassy and university selects the successful candidates among the applicants based on NIIED's selection criteria.

- Each embassy and university will forward the successful candidates' applications to the NIIED by April 6th, 2018.
- *Attention!* Applications that do not arrive by the above date will not be considered for review in the 2nd round of selection, and the remaining quotas will be substituted by the applications from other countries or universities.

2nd Round of Selection

The NIIED Selection Committee selects the successful candidates among those who pass the 1st round.

- The University Track applicants who pass the 2nd round of selection will automatically be granted admission to the university. The University Track applicants will be selected as the final successful candidates ONLY after they submit their medical examination results and other additional required documents.
- Comprehensive Medical Examination
 - All candidates who pass the 2nd round must get comprehensive medical examinations as required by NIIED and submit the results along with the evidential documents to NIIED.
 - The medical examinations must be conducted by a doctor or a licensed physician.
 - The medical forms will be sent to the successful candidates of the 2nd round.
 - If the results show that the applicant is not suitable to study and live overseas for the extended period of time, he or she will be disqualified.

3rd Round of Selection (Embassy Track ONLY)

The applications of the 2nd round successful candidates will finally be reviewed by the universities for admission. The final round successful candidates must receive admission from at least one of the universities they applied.

5. Selection Criteria: Comprehensive Evaluation

- Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee at each round.
- The selection committee will consider many elements in selecting successful candidates. Examples included, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Academic Transcript
 - Personal Statement
 - Statement of Purpose
 - Letters of recommendation
 - Certificates of Language Proficiency (Korean or English), publications, awards, and etc.

6. Estimated Timeline of Application Procedure

February - March	<p>Application Submission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The deadline varies by each Korean embassy and university. Applicants must contact the embassy or the university to check the deadline.
March	<p>1st Round of Selection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Korean Embassy in each country Designated Universities in Korea
April 6	<p>Embassies and Universities forward 1st round successful applications to NIED</p>
April 23 - April 24	<p>2nd Round of Selection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIED Selection Committee
May 1	<p>Announcement of the 2nd Round of Selection Result</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "GKS Notice" on our website www.studyinkorea.go.kr
May 2 - June 1	<p>3rd Round of Selection (Embassy Track ONLY)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> University admissions Universities will contact each applicant individually regarding the admission results Universities will notify NIED regarding the admission results.
June 1 - June 7	<p>Applicants' Notice of the Final University and Major Choice to NIED</p> <p>Submission of Comprehensive Medical Examination Results</p>
June 19	<p>Announcement of the Final Round of Selection Result</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "GKS Notice" on our website www.studyinkorea.go.kr Official notice will be sent to each Korean embassy and university
June 20 - June 29	<p>Official Invitation Letter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIED's official invitation letter will be sent to the selected KGSP scholars via email.
July 2 - July 31	<p>Korean Visa Application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where to apply: Korean embassy or consulate in one's home country D-4 visa for those who start with the language program D-2 visa for those who start with the degree program.
July 9 - August 10	<p>Booking of Flight Tickets to Korea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-way flight tickets to Korea will be booked by NIED Further guidelines regarding the entry to Korea will be announced.
August 20 - August 22	<p>Entry to Korea</p>
August 27 - August 29	<p>NIED Orientation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The KGSP scholars will be divided into three groups. The orientation for each group will last for 6 hours.

VII. SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

1. Scholarship information is available at the following:

- NIED's Global Korea Scholarship (GKS) information website: www.studyinkorea.go.kr
 - Application guidelines
 - Application forms
 - University Information
- Embassies of the Republic of Korea: Refer to the Appendix B for contact information
- Designated Universities in Korea: Refer to the Appendix C for contact information

2. Scholarship Benefits

	Airfare	Settlement Allowance	Monthly Allowance	Research Allowance	Language Training	Tuition	Thesis Printing Fee	Medical Insurance	Korean Proficiency Grants	Scholarship Completion Grants	
Master's/ Doctoral Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Research Program	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		✓	
○ Airfare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entry to Korea: An economy class one-way flight ticket to Korea Return flight: An economy class one-way flight ticket from Korea to KGSP scholar's home country The airfare for entry will NOT be provided to scholars who have resided in Korea from the time of applying and on. The return flight ticket is only offered to the KGSP scholars who successfully complete their degree coursework. The return flight is NOT offered to those who have withdrawn from the scholarship in the middle of their studies. Any fees incurred in the domestic travel within a KGSP scholar's home country are NOT covered. International travel insurance is NOT covered. 										
○ Settlement Allowance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For KGSP scholars from China and Czech Republic: The flight tickets will be prepared and provided by the Chinese and the Czech governments, respectively, in accordance with the agreement made between Korean government and the two countries. 										
○ Monthly Allowance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Degree Program-Master's or Doctoral: 900,000 KRW per month Research Program: 1,500,000 KRW per month 										
○ Research Allowance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> L liberal Arts and Social Science Majors: 210,000 KRW per semester Natural Science and Engineering Majors: 240,000 KRW per semester 										
○ Language Training Fees: Fully covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language Training Fees: Fully covered 										

- Degree Tuition: Fully covered
 - The tuition up to maximum 5million KRW is covered by NIIED, and the amount that exceeds 5 million KRW will be covered by the scholar's university
 - The KGSP scholars are waived from the university's admission fees.
- Titelis (Dissertation) Printing Fee Reimbursement
 - The actual cost of printing as shown on the receipt will be reimbursed (Submission of receipt required)
 - The maximum reimbursable amount for each scholar is 500,000 KRW for Liberal Arts and Social Science majors and 800,000 KRW for Natural Science & Technology and Arts, Music and Sports majors.
- Medical Insurance: 20,000 KRW per month
- Grants for high Korean Proficiency: 100,000 per month
 - This special funding is given to KGSP scholars with TOPIK level 5 or 6
- Degree Completion Grants: 100,000 KRW (offered once)
 - Offered to the KGSP scholars who return to their home countries after completing their degree coursework under the scholarship program.
 - NOT offered to the KGSP scholars who decide to remain in Korea after the completion of their degree coursework
- ◇ Language Training Fees, Degree Tuition, Thesis (Dissertation) Printing Fee, and Grants for high Korean Proficiency (TOPIK level 5 or 6 achievers) are ONLY given to degree pursuing scholars.

VIII. PERIOD OF SCHOLARSHIP

1. Doctoral Degree Program: 4 years (2018. 9. 1. ~ 2022. 8. 31.)
 - 1 year of Korean language program
 - 3 years of regular degree program
2. Master's Degree Program: 3 years (2018. 9. 1. ~ 2021. 8. 31.)
 - 1 year of Korean language program
 - 2 years of degree program
3. Research Program: 6 Months (2018. 9. 1. ~ 2019. 2. 28.)
4. Important Notes on the Scholarship Period
 - The scholarship period for the degree (Master's-2years, Doctoral-3years) and research program (6months) cannot and will not be extended.
 - The scholarship period for the language program will not affect the scholarship period for the degree program. In other words, even if a scholar takes 6months of the language program instead of a year, the period that the KGSP covers for his or her degree program will remain intact (2 years for Master's degree and 3 years for Doctoral degree).
 - KGSP Scholars with advanced TOPIK level (Level 5 or 6)

- Those who have attained the advanced level at the time of applying for KGSP will be exempt from the 1-year Korean language program. The exempt period will be deducted from the total scholarship period, down to 2years for Master's degree scholars and 3years for Doctoral degree scholars.
- Those who achieve the advanced level on TOPIK within the first 6months of the language program will be exempt from the remaining language program and must start their degree program in the following semester. The exempt period will be deducted from the total scholarship period, down to 2.5 years for Master's degree scholars and 3.5 years for Doctoral degree scholars.
- Research program scholars, upon their completion of the program and before returning back to their countries, must submit the research finding report that includes methods, data collection, and discussion of the findings as well as the academic advisor's evaluation on scholar's performance

IX. KOREAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

- All scholars, unless exempt, must take the 1 year mandatory Korean language program at language institutions assigned by NIIED.
- Exemption of the Korean language program
 - The KGSP scholars who have attained TOPIK level 5 or 6 at the time of applying will be exempt from the language program and must directly start their degree program.
 - The KGSP scholars who achieve TOPIK level 5 or 6 within the first 6 months of their language program will be exempt from the remaining language program and must start their degree program in the following semester
 - A valid TOPIK certificate must be submitted to NIIED
 - Those who attain advanced TOPIK level (5 or 6) by end of June, 2018 will be exempt from the Korean language program. If one wishes to be exempt from the language program, the 5th TOPIK score is the last TOPIK score one can report to NIIED and University to ask for exemption from the language program by the end of June.
- The language institution is assigned to each student based on following criteria:
 - The language institution is not located in the same city as the scholar's degree pursuing university.
 - The language institution offers a variety of opportunities for the scholars to learn different local cultures of Korea.
- The language institution for successful KGSP scholars will be announced along with the final results.
- Note that the assigned language institution is final and cannot be changed
- KGSP scholars in the Korean language program must live on-campus.
 - Most rooms of the university dormitories are shared with roommates
 - Living with family members is strictly forbidden.
 - Scholars with TOPIK level 3 or higher are eligible to live off-campus.
- Prerequisites to complete the language program
 - ALL KGSP scholars MUST obtain at least level 3 on TOPIK by the end of one year Korean language program, in order to proceed to the degree program.

X. OTHER IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Medical Insurance

- Universities and language institutions will purchase medical insurance plans on behalf of the KGSP scholars.
- The insurance plan will be effective immediately after one's arrival in Korea.
- The medical fees incurred throughout the scholarship period will be reimbursed by the insurance company.
 - A KGSP scholar must first pay for the hospital fees and submit the receipt to the insurance company afterwards.
 - The insurance company will refund partial or full amount of the fees (depending on the insurance plan). It is the KGSP scholar's responsibility to check the insurance terms and policies, which is given through the universities and language institutions when one enrolls in the insurance plan.
- The medical insurance will not cover the expenses for dental or chronic diseases.

2. Scholarship Withdrawal or Cancellation

- A KGSP scholar who forfeits and withdraws from the scholarship will NOT receive the returning flight tickets or the Scholarship Completion Grants.
- A KGSP scholar who forfeit and withdraws from the scholarship within the first 3months after entering Korea MUST return the full scholarship fees that he or she has received during the mentioned period. It will include the airfare from one's home country to Korea, the settlement allowance, monthly allowance, language training fees, medical insurance fees, and tuition.

3. Restriction on changing universities and degree

- Transferring to a different university under this scholarship is NOT, in any case, permitted.
- Changing major may be possible in restricted conditions only, including but not limited to the following:
 - With the approval of the applicant's university and concerned departments; or
 - With the scholarship period unchanged. (2 years for Master's degree and 3 years for Doctoral degree)

XI. CONTACT INFORMATION

1. Embassies of the Republic of Korea in foreign countries: Refer to the Appendix B
2. Universities in Korea: Refer to the Appendix C
3. Global Korea Scholarship (GKS) Team, Global Human Resources Development Department, NIIED
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 - Fax: 82-2-743-4992
 - Address: 191 Jeongjail-ro, Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do 13557, Republic of Korea
 - Websites: www.studyinkorea.go.kr www.nied.go.kr
4. Other useful websites

Learning Korean	www.kosnet.go.kr
Korean Portal	www.korea.net
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	www.mofa.go.kr
Visa and Immigration	www.immigration.go.kr
Higher Education in Korea	www.hikorea.go.kr
	hck.academyinfo.go.kr