

Notice for the 2022 Global Korea Scholarship Undergraduate Scholars

Dear 2022 GKS Undergraduate Scholars!

Congratulations! We are happy to inform you that you have been selected as a 2022 GKS Undergraduate Scholar. What follows below are important information regarding your entry to Korea. **Please read ALL information thoroughly** and take necessary actions accordingly.

A. INVITATION LETTER

We will send you an official NIIED invitation letter, with which you can apply for a student visa for entry to Korea. The invitation letter will be given to you individually via email in a pdf file and hard copies will not be delivered to you. Please make sure to check your email inbox daily. If you do not receive the invitation letter by **January 7th, 2022, Korea Standard Time**, please email us at kgspniied@korea.kr with your **GKS Scholar Number*** in a subject title. (i.e., [CS01220218]-invitation letter not received)

As we receive large volumes of emails daily, we highly advise you to email us only if you have a problem with your invitation letter. (e.g., not received your invitation letter, found a misspelled name in your letter)

* **Your GKS Scholar Number** (also known as CS Number) is written before your name in the **final successful candidates list**. It is different from your previous Candidate Number that was used in the 2nd round successful candidates list. From now on, you will be using your **GKS Scholar Number** whenever you need to communicate with us.

B. VISA APPLICATION (*Attention!!*)

Please make sure to apply for a visa at the nearest Korean Embassy or Consulate upon receiving your invitation letter. You would still need to apply for a visa even if your country has signed a visa agreement with the government of Korea. Make sure to note which type of visa you will be applying for. Please refer to the following:

- D-4 visa is for those who will start with a Korean language program.
(All scholars will be initially issued with a 6 months D-4 visa, and scholars are responsible to renew their visa during their Korean language program.)
- D-2 visa is for those who will start their degree program without a language program.
- ✕ D-2-7 visa is also available for GKS scholars upon their request.

The required documents for visa application may slightly vary by each embassy, and it is strongly recommended that you contact the Korean embassy to check the required documents before you apply for a visa. You can also visit “the Korean Visa Portal” at www.visa.go.kr. In general, you would need the following documents:

- ✓ Passport
- ✓ VISA application form (available at the Korean Embassy/Consulate)
- ✓ NIIED invitation letter
- ✓ Your latest degree certificate (high school graduation certificate)
- ✓ Standard Admission letter (issued by universities): only for those applying for a D-2 visa. (*Only for those who start their degree program without language program*)

NIIED will send an official letter to all Korean embassies around the world, asking for their cooperation in the visa process for this year’s GKS scholars. With the NIIED’s invitation letter, you should be able to apply for a visa without a flight ticket and visa application fee. However, some embassies may require visa issuance fee, which is different from visa application fee.

In some embassies, visa application process may take a long period of time depending on the scholar’s personal or national circumstances, so scholars should obtain necessary documents and apply for the visa as soon as possible.

It is each scholar’s responsibility to check and make sure the names of your language institution and university are correctly indicated in the visa.

If, by any chance, you are issued a wrong type of visa or if any error is found, please immediately contact the Korean embassy or consulate to make necessary correction. It is difficult to change the information in your visa once you enter Korea with the incorrect information.

Please do not be negligent about the type of visa you were issued and the personal information printed in the visa.

(Attention!!) Even if you are currently residing in Korea with D-4, D-2 or another visa type and currently have no issue of stay, you may need to return to your country to obtain the visa. In this case, the round-trip airfare will not be given to scholars. Corresponding scholars must contact the Korean embassies at their home countries and the immigration office in the region of their Korean language institution or university and find out if there will be no issue in receiving/renewing the necessary visa.

※*For example, even if you have a D-4 visa through A university, you need to get a new D-4 visa from GKS Korean language institution. Your Korean language institution cannot enroll you with your previous D-4 visa. Sometimes, it is not possible to re-issue or change visa type in Korea, so you must immediately contact the relevant immigration office regarding your case.*

C. ENTRY AIR TICKET (*Attention!!*)

1. Entry Information Form for Flight and Flight Ticket (*ALL*)

- NIIED will provide funds for a one-way economy class flight ticket which must be purchased through your Korean language institution or university.
- The itinerary must be a direct flight or a flight with the shortest route to Korea.
※ *If there is no direct flight available, the layover should be limited to 30 hours.*
- Your designated Korean language institution or university will email you asking to submit the flight entry information form. You must complete the form given by your assigned Korean language institution or university and **submit it back to the relevant institution. The submission deadline will be announced by each Korean language institution or university.**
- Your ticket must be arranged through your Korean language institution or degree pursuing university. NIIED does not book the tickets on your behalf.
- Those who have flight connections in another country are responsible to check the transit visa requirements in that country and make preparations in advance. For example, if you need to transfer flight within the Schengen Area or in the United States, you must get a Schengen visa or a U.S. transit visa before your departure. All fees incurred in the process of getting the transit visa are not covered by the NIIED.

- NIIED does not cover the cost for domestic travels within a scholar's own country and domestic travels within Korea.
- NIIED does not cover the cost of traveler's insurance, and it is up to each scholar whether to purchase a traveler's insurance.
- NIIED does not cover additional baggage fees.
- NIIED does not cover any additional fees incurred prior to your departure. (e.g., expense for a self-quarantine before departure, PCR test fee, etc.)
- Any ticket change fee (change of schedule, cancelation of flight, etc.) is responsible to whom generated such situation.

(Attention!!) Scholars from countries where restrictions on visa issuance and entry to Korea are applied by the Korean health authorities in regards to COVID-19 may face restrictions in their entry to Korea. Their entry will be discussed at the government level and when the policy is decided, NIIED will inform each embassy and university about it. Each Korean language institution and university will inform their GKS scholars accordingly.

- Flight ticket to Korea will not be provided to the following GKS scholars:
 - **GKS scholars who are currently residing in Korea** (GKS scholars who have stayed in Korea at the time of final announcement of 2022 GKS Undergraduate Degree scholars).
 - GKS scholars who are indicated as a "**Conditional Successful Candidate**" in the final successful candidates list.

<Conditional Successful Candidate: Entry flight ticket>

As addressed before, all Conditional Successful Candidate should purchase entry flight ticket on their own expense if they are willing to enter Korea. Their entry flight ticket will not be arranged by their Korean language institutions or universities. Their entry airfare will be provided only upon the submission of their graduation certificate.

The payment will be made on an actual expense of a one-way economy class flight ticket. It should be a direct flight or a flight with the shortest route to Korea. **Please save your ① purchase receipt, ② flight itinerary, ③ the exchange rate on the date of your purchase, and ④ your boarding pass.**

① purchase receipt

- must include the actual amount you paid. Tickets purchased with your flight mileage or travel points will not be reimbursed.

② flight itinerary

- must include the route and schedule of your flight, flight number, the type of your seat(economy), and your name.

③ exchange rate on the date of your purchase

- If you purchased your ticket in U.S. dollar, you should find the official won-dollar exchange rate (1 USD to KRW) of the date you purchased your ticket. You can find and save the relevant information from the url below:

<https://www.kebhana.com/cont/mall/mall15/mall1501/index.jsp>

If your currency is not found from above, then use the url below:

<https://www.kebhana.com/cont/mall/mall15/mall1509/index.jsp>

④ boarding pass

- proof that you boarded the plane.

- ✓ Please have the above materials to claim your entry airfare after your graduation certificate is submitted.

2. Korean Language Institution and University Contact Information

○ **For scholars who will start a Korean language program in March 2022:**

No.	어학연수 기관	Korean Language Institution	Phone	Email
1	건양대학교	Konyang University	82-41-730-5134	konyang.interedu@gmail.com
2	대구대학교	Daegu University	82-53-850-5686	pdw2892@deagu.ac.kr
3	동서대학교	Dongseo University	82-51-320-2746	junhohan@gdsu.dongseo.ac.kr
4	부산외국어대학교	Busan University of Foreign Studies	82-51-509-5336	yisoo@bufs.ac.kr
5	선문대학교	Sunmoon University	82-41-530-2074	kkckm@sunmoon.ac.kr
6	신라대학교	Silla University	82-51-999-5756	suahkim@silla.ac.kr

- For scholars who are exempt from a Korean language program and will start their degree program in March 2022:

No.	수학 대학	Degree University	Phone	Email
1	강원대학교	Kangwon National University	82-33-250-7194	intn1947@kangwon.ac.kr
2	경북대학교	Kyungbok University	82-31-570-9880	jkahn@kbu.ac.kr
3	경북대학교	Kyungpook National University	82-53-950-4233	kgsp@knu.ac.kr
4	경희대학교	Kyung Hee University	82-2-961-9286	admission@khu.ac.kr
5	고려대학교	Korea University	82-2-3290-1157	intledu@korea.ac.kr
6	공주대학교	Kongju National University	82-41-850-0862	phlee@kongju.ac.kr
7	동서대학교	Dongseo University	82-51-320-2746	Junhohan@gdsu.dongseo.ac.kr
8	부산대학교	Pusan National University	82-51-510-3856	gks@pusan.ac.kr
9	부산외국어대학교	Busan University of Foreign Studies	82-51-509-5322	shzon@bufs.ac.kr
10	서울과학기술대학교	Seoul National University of Science and Technology (Seoul Tech)	82-2-970-9214	admission@seoultech.ac.kr
11	서울대학교	Seoul National University	82-2-880-6971	snuadmit2@snu.ac.kr
12	연세대학교	Yonsei University	82-2-2123-3225	iadms@yonsei.ac.kr
13	이화여자대학교	Ewha Womans University	82-2-3277-6988	shee@ewha.ac.kr
14	인제대학교	Inje University	82-55-320-3605	lala903@inje.ac.kr
15	한양대학교	Hanyang University(Seoul)	82-2-2220-2444	minj0510@hanyang.ac.kr

D. CONDITIONAL CANDIDATES

In the 2022 GKS-U final successful candidates list, scholars who were **expected to graduate at the time of application** are listed as a “**Conditional Successful Candidates**” unless they submitted their graduation certificate by December 22, 2021.

- **Scholarship Deferral:** If a Conditional Successful Candidate has TOPIK level 5 or 6, his/her scholarship will be automatically deferred for 6 months.
- ✓ However, **when the embassy/university that conducted the first round of selection sends NIIED an official letter of scholarship deferral completion with scholar’s graduation certificate by February 28th, 2022**, their scholarship status will be restored and the scholar will be able to start their degree program in March 2022.
- Conditional Successful Candidates who are not certain whether their graduation certificate will be available in January/February should ask for a scholarship deferral through embassy/university of their first round of selection. **Scholarship deferral should be confirmed before your entry to Korea** (before the March semester begins) and you should enter Korea when your deferral is over. With scholarship deferred, you will get a 6 months grace period for document preparation. As soon as your graduation certificate is ready, you should contact the embassy/university again to ask for a completion of scholarship deferral. **When the embassy/university that conducted the first round of selection sends NIIED an official letter of scholarship deferral completion with scholar’s graduation certificate within 6 months**, their scholarship status will be restored and the scholar will be able to enter Korea and start their degree program in September 2022.

- **Enter Korea on their own expense:** If a Conditional Successful Candidate is certain that they can submit their graduation certificate by February 28th, 2022 through the embassy/university, they may purchase entry flight ticket on their own expense and enter Korea.
- If a Conditional Successful Candidate who enters Korea on their own expense fails to submit their graduation certificate through the embassy/university of their first round of selection by February 28th, 2022, their scholarship will be canceled.
 - ✘ *The submission deadline may be extended depending on the circumstances. However, if he/she fails to submit the document until the renewed due date, his/her scholarship will be canceled and any scholarship provided will be redeemed.*

E. SUBMISSION OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

- **All Conditional Successful Candidates who are planning to enter Korea or who already entered Korea** must submit their graduation certificate **to the embassy/university of their first round of selection by February 28th, 2022.**
- **Conditional Successful Candidates whose scholarship is deferred,** must submit their graduation certificate **to the embassy/university of their first round of selection during the 6 months grace period.** Embassy/university must send NIIED an official letter requesting a completion of scholarship deferral with graduation certificate attached **before the September 2022 semester begins.**
- ✓ Conditional Successful Candidates must submit their graduation certificate with apostille or consular confirmation.
- Scholars who applied with a **provisional graduation certificate** and have not submitted their final graduation certificate by December 22, 2021 are **NOT** categorized as “Conditional Successful Candidates” but are also subject to document submission. These scholars will find a note **“Supplementary document required”** at the end of their name on the final successful candidates list.

- All scholars who were asked for a supplementary document must submit their final graduation certificate or (if not possible) at least an official letter from their high school that certifies their graduation by February 28th, 2022 to GKS Center, NIIED.

GKS Center (Selection Dept. of 2022 GKS-U)
191 Jeongjail-ro, Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do,
13557, Rep. of Korea

**Please indicate your GKS Scholar Number next to your name.*

- ✓ Supplementary document (additional graduation certificate or an official letter from your high school) can be simply notarized.

- ※ (ALL) If the document is written in a language other than Korean or English, you should submit a notarized translation along with your authenticated document. Please note that all documents submitted to NIIED throughout the application process will NOT be returned in any case.
- ※ (ALL) Even after a candidate has been selected as a final successful scholar, if a scholar is found to be disqualified or an application document of a scholar is discovered to be a fraud, the scholarship will be canceled.

F. ARRIVAL & SELF-QUARANTINE

- It is mandatory for all visitors who enter Korea to present a negative PCR COVID-19 test result issued tested within 72 hours of departure. All scholars must take additional PCR COVID-19 test on the following day of their arrival.
- It is recommended to have your vaccination completed before your entry to Korea. If you are not able to have your vaccination in your country, you will be advised to get your vaccination in Korea.
- After arrival in Korea, scholars must contact the person in charge of GKS (GKS representatives) at their Korean language institutions or universities immediately. All scholars must have the contact information of the representatives who are responsible for GKS students in their Korean language institution or university before arriving in Korea.
- According to the “Special Entry Procedures” enforced by the Korean government, all incoming passengers must fill out health declaration and travel record form during the flight and get their temperature checked upon arrival. If a passenger is suffering from symptoms such as a cough or a fever, one must report the symptoms to health authorities in the airport immediately.
- **ALL GKS scholars entering Korea are required to self-quarantine for 10 days.** Scholars will stay at the designated housing facilities available at their Korean language institutions or universities during this period.
- Upon arrival, officials will check for a valid contact number and a Korean address and verify the Self-isolator Safety Protection mobile app is downloaded in your electronic device. You must keep your personal information on the app up-to-date throughout the period of self-quarantine and update any change (i.e., contact number or health conditions). After entering Korea, authorities may contact you if you leave the registered location during the 10 days of the self-quarantine period.
 - ※ *When declaring your health conditions, you must write your status as accurately as possible. In an emergency, please contact the representatives at your Korean language institution or university.*

- Location for your self-quarantine will be arranged by your Korean language institution or university. Food and care packages will be provided during this period. Your Korean institution and university will be monitoring and managing your stay.
 - If additional self-quarantine expenses are generated (e.g., due to delayed entry, etc.), Korean language institution or university may impose part of those expenses on the individual scholar.
 - After arriving in Korea, all scholars must follow the instructions and regulations given by the representatives at their Korean language institutions or universities. Anyone who violates the self-quarantine guidelines or leave the registered self-quarantine location will be subject to punishment under South Korean Law.
 - After 10 days of self-quarantine and health check, scholars will stay at the housing facilities provided by your Korean language institutions or universities until the start of the semester. (March 1st). Even if your quarantine period is over, Korean language institutions and universities may continue to monitor your health conditions for you and public safety.
 - All scholars are advised to travel with a valid Korean visa and the invitation letter issued by NIIED.
 - If a scholar's departure is delayed or if a scholar fails to enter Korea due to COVID-19, necessary measures (e.g., postponement of enrollment/leave of absence/online lecture) will be applied based on the regulations of relevant institutions and NIIED.
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- For more information regarding the Special Entry Procedure, please refer to the websites below or visit the Korean embassy website of your country.
 - COVID-19 (Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency): <http://ncov.mohw.go.kr/>
 - COVID-19 Info for Visitors (Korea Tourism Organization) in multiple languages: http://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/TRV/TV_ENG_1_COVID.jsp

G. LIVING IN KOREA

1. Accommodation

- During a Korean Language Program: Scholars must live on-campus at their language institution.
 ※ However, a scholar with a valid TOPIK level 3 or above may choose to live on or off campus upon approval from the Korean language institution.
- During a degree program: On-campus housing is available for scholars who apply for one at their respective universities. Make sure to check the accommodation details with the universities.
- Scholars who live on-campus are responsible to cover the room and board expense. Most scholars pay the room and board fees with the monthly stipend that GKS provides.

- It is recommended that scholars bring emergency fund that could cover their initial stay in Korea for a month or two.

※ *Scholarship money will be provided only after a scholar opens their bank account in Korea. A bank account can be open after ID card (alien registration card) is issued. This procedure may take 1~2 months.*

2. Korean Language Program (applicable to scholars who will start with a Korean language program in March, 2022)

- **Period: March 1, 2022 ~ February 28, 2023 (1 year)**
- Korean Language Institution: NIIED has assigned you a Korean language institution (refer to the list of final successful candidates list). Your language institution will be written on the invitation letter that you receive from NIIED. Please note that it is **NOT possible** to change your language institution.
- Each scholar is assigned to a language institution based on one's country of origin and Korean language proficiency so that diversity is represented in each institution.
- If a scholar fails to reach level 3 in TOPIK after one year of Korean language program, he or she will not be allowed to proceed with their degree program.

3. Scholarship Period (ALL scholars)

All scholars are required to take one year of mandatory Korean language program. However, scholars who have submitted valid TOPIK level 5 or 6 are exempt from the language program and must start their degree program in March 2022.

- **Scholarship Period including one-year mandatory Korean language program:**
 - ✓ **March 1, 2022 ~ February 28, 2027 (4 year bachelor's degree program)**
 - ✓ **March 1, 2022 ~ February 28, 2025 (2 year associate degree program)**
- ※ Scholars who were accepted to departments of different program duration (3 or 5 years) will have a different scholarship period. Their scholarship period will be indicated on their invitation letter.
- Scholars who achieve TOPIK level 5 or 6 within the first 6 months of Korean language program must start their degree program in the following semester (September 2022) if the enrollment is available at the degree universities. In this case, even though a scholar's language program period reduces to 6 months, the degree program period will remain the same.
- **Period excluding one-year mandatory Korean language program (applicable to scholars who will directly start the degree program in March, 2022):**
 - ✓ **March 1, 2022 ~ February 28, 2026 (4 year bachelor's degree program)**
 - ✓ **March 1, 2022 ~ February 29, 2024 (2 year associate degree program)**

4. Learn about Korea before you come to Korea!

Prior to arrival, scholars are strongly recommended to find sufficient information about Korean life, culture, language, climate, etc. Please click on the link below and download the e-guidebook for international students living in Korea.

- ✓ **Study in Korea Guidebook** (available in Korean, English, and Chinese)

https://cdn.studyinkorea.go.kr/public/res/guide/guideBook_ko.pdf **(KOREAN)**

https://cdn.studyinkorea.go.kr/public/res/guide/guideBook_en.pdf **(ENGLISH)**

https://cdn.studyinkorea.go.kr/public/res/guide/guideBook_cn.pdf **(CHINESE)**

- ✓ Korean Language Study <http://www.sejonghakdang.org>
- ✓ Korean Universities <http://www.studyinkorea.go.kr>
- ✓ Korean Culture <http://korea.net>
- ✓ Korean Embassies <http://www.mofa.go.kr>
- ✓ Visa & Immigration <http://immigration.go.kr>

5. Other Information

- Due to COVID-19, NIIED's on-site 2022 GKS-U Orientation will not be held at NIIED. Instead, each Korean language institution and university will organize their own orientation respectively. All GKS scholars must attend these orientations at their respective institutions.
- **Final MEDICAL CHECK-UP** in Korea:
All GKS scholars must get a final medical check-up after their 10 days self-quarantine in Korea. Most universities have medical requirement in order to allow students to live in dormitories and university-subsidized housing. The check-up will be done by each Korean language institution or university. We ask for your cooperation in advance since this will be the final procedure that you go through.
- ✓ If a GKS Scholar is found to have a serious illness that was not stated in the previous medical report that was sent to NIIED in December 2021, he or she will be disqualified from their GKS scholarship. *The airfare for the return flight will not be provided in this case.*
- In case a GKS scholar decides to forfeit their scholarship before their entry to Korea or before their enrollment to the respective Korean language institution/university, he or she should not only inform NIIED but also must contact the embassy/university where they initially applied for the program. Such scholar must write a notification letter including the reason of

withdrawing and submit it to their embassy/university. The scholarship will be canceled only when NIIED receives an official letter from an embassy/university regarding the matter.

- A scholar who withdraws from the scholarship program within the first three months must immediately refund the full amount of scholarship received during their stay. This includes airfare, settlement allowance, monthly allowance, Korean language training expenses, tuition, insurance, and Korean proficiency grants.
- **(Attention!!)** GKS scholars are advised to bring the documents listed below (*in original or in authenticated version*) for future purposes. (e.g., visa renewal, change of visa type, etc.) The list is not all inclusive, and scholars are encouraged to bring any documents that are considered important to them during their studies in Korea.
 - ✓ **Graduation certificate or Certified true copy of High school Diploma**
 - ✓ Academic Transcript
 - ✓ Proof of citizenship (e.g., birth certificate, family registration, passport copy)
 - ✓ Medical examination results
 - ✓ Printed copy of NIIED invitation letter

H. FURTHER QUESTIONS

Should you have any further questions, please contact us at kgspniied@korea.kr with your GKS Scholar Number in a subject title. We greatly look forward to seeing you here in February!

Sincerely,
GKS Center, NIIED

December 29th, 2021
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