Based on the 625 years of history and tradition, SKKU will create its own brand through innovative cooperation and strategical works to become a globally renowned university.

Sungkyunkwan University is a private, coeducational research university with 625 years of glorious history and shining tradition and is a representative symbol of a leading university which leads the new era. At the same time, the university has led the development of higher education in Korea by challenging and innovating with a mind for sharing and coexistence. We strive to newly form our own brand worthy of our name which actively embraces global social issues through pioneering of global management.

Facing the grand challenges of our society, we will solve its problems and answer the questions of our times by implementing careful and detailed “innovative cooperation and strategic works.”

By reforming the educational system to foster various dreams and talents of the students, we will create a new intellectual value through top research results and establish a platform which leads new industries.

By strengthening industry-university cooperation and creating outstanding technologies leading the times, we will strengthen the industrial-educational ecosystem which connects countries, industries and regions and realize the value management of passion and mutual respect.

Ji-Beom Yoo
President of Sungkyunkwan University
The campus is located inside the original city wall, which defined the boundaries of the old capital during the Joseon Dynasty. It overlooks Changdeokgung, the UNESCO World Heritage Site and the most well preserved royal palace in Korea. Like Seoul, our university grew rapidly, and an expansion was needed to build the modern campus. When expanding, the science programs were moved to Suwon and the humanities and social sciences programs remained at this campus.
SKKU’s modern Natural Sciences Campus was established in Suwon in 1978. It is accessible via shuttle bus and public transit in a little less than an hour. When the new campus was built, the idea of a dual campus system was revolutionary in Korean higher education. Some comprehensive universities located in big cities have tried to meet the need for expansion by founding a separate, usually smaller school in an outlying rural area.
Sungkyunwan University (SKKU) is a world-class center of higher education with over six centuries of tradition and excellence. Since its founding at the dawn of the Joseon Dynasty (1392-1910), SKKU has produced countless graduates that have influenced Korea’s development and history. Contemporary SKKU has embraced globalization and emerged as a leading university in Asia and the world, due in no small part to its close partnership with Samsung. SKKU actively encourages global research and collaboration through academic exchange of students and faculty as well as the development of innovative research and education programs with its global partners.

1398  Sungkyunwan founded
1895  Sungkyunwan reformed into three-year institution
1946  Reorganized into Sungkyunwan College
1953  Graduate School opened
1978  Natural Sciences Campus opened
1996  Samsung joins the University Foundation
1997  School of Medicine and SKK GSB established
1998  600th anniversary
2005  Foundation of University College
2010  Vision2020 Proclamation ‘Asia Top 10, Global Top 50’
2013  Foundation of SKKU Institute for Convergence
2021  Vision2030 Proclamation ‘The Global Leader, SKKU’
**FACTS & FIGURES (2022)**

- **Partnered with Samsung**
- **UNESCO Chair for the Promotion of Sustainable Energy System and Clean Environment (2023~2026)**
- **International Degree-seeking Students**: 4,278
- **Degree programs**: 200+
- **International Summer / Winter Students**: 1,758
- **Faculty**: 1,525
- **Inbound Exchange Students**: 1,120
- **Outbound Exchange Students**: 687
- **Graduate Students**: 9,146
- **Undergraduate Students**: 24,077
INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS

1st
Private University in Korea
(THE, US news & world report)

99th
QS World University Rankings

89th
THE Impact Rankings
In Quality Education

18th
THE Asia University Rankings

1st
MBA in Korea for 12 consecutive years
(Financial Times)

DOMESTIC RANKINGS

1st
The JoongAng Private University in Korea
(THE, US news & world report)

2nd
Top 1% Most Cited Article
( Clarivate)

18th
in Science & Technology
(JoongAng Ilbo)

1st
in Employment rate
(Higher Education in Korea)

1st
in Consumer Satisfaction
(NCSI)
AI has been the key to the development of the Industrial Revolution 4.0. SKKU is taking a significant step forward as the hub for industry-academic collaboration and AI-related convergence research and education. SKKU has been chosen by the government to open a graduate school for AI in 2019. SKKU has collaborated with Samsung Medical Center, Samsung Electronics, and Naver.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

SKKU is now fostering the development of outstanding human resources for the new era of semiconductor technology in cooperation with Samsung Electronics. As the global leader in the industry, Samsung has placed priority on working with SKKU to develop practice-centered academic training and perform innovative research. The Semiconductor Systems Engineering program is now benchmarked by many other universities as a role model of successful collaboration between academia and industry.

BASIC SCIENCES

SKKU founded IBS (Institute for Basic Sciences) in 2012 to secure creative knowledge and core technology for the future through world-class science research in Korea. The IBS has two advanced research centers: the Center for Integrated Nanostructure Physics (CINAP) and the Center for Neuroscience Imaging Research (CNIR). The CNIR specializes in exploring new physics phenomena of low dimensional materials with two-dimensional layered structures. The CNIR is focused on understanding brain structures, function, networks and behaviors with high-tech neuroimaging tools.

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QUANTUM BIOPHYSICS

The Institute for Quantum Biophysics or IQB is focused on establishing quantum biology, quantum biophysics, and quantum biological ICs (QBICs) for “SP Medicine” (Preventive, Predictive, Personalized, Participatory, and Precision Medicine). The IQB’s core projects include Basic Quantum Biophysics and next-generation human resource training in Q-Biophysics. Most of its research is about biomedical systems and devices which are, as its name implies, on the quantum scale. Some examples are quantum biological integrated circuits or QBICs and quantum biological interface devices or QBIDs. It is led by Prof. Luke P. Lee from Harvard Institute of Medicine.

NANOTECHNOLOGY

The SKKU Advanced Institute of Nanotechnology (SAINT) is focused on research and education in a wide range of Nano fields. It aims to be a global leading R&D hub in nanotechnology. It is one of the top ranked Nano institutes in the world, which is why SKKU is listed in the top 50 in the world and even higher in that field by most of the major ranking organizations. Its research portfolio includes Superconductor-based Quantum Computing, Ion Trap-based Quantum Computing, Immune and Brain Disease Treatments, and Energy Solutions such as Lithium-ion Batteries and Perovskite Solar Cells. The SAINT has the most graphene patents compared to any institute and company in the world.

ENERGY SCIENCE

SKKU’s Academy of East Asian Studies (AEAS) has four core research institutes: the Institute of Confucian Philosophy and Culture, Daedong Institute for Korean Studies, the Institute of East Asian Regional Studies, and the Survey Research Center (SRC). These institutes and the sixteen interdisciplinary research clusters generate over two-thousand publications annually.

KEY RESEARCH FIELDS
According to the 2022 World’s Top 1% HCR selection results announced by Clarivate, SKKU ranked the first in the research field and the second in the number of researchers among all research institutions in Korea.

HCR (Highly Cited Researcher) refers to the top 1% of researchers selected with the number of top 1% papers in the standard of citation counts, also known as HCP (Highly Cited Paper).

HCR Distinguished Chair, Professor Young-Hee Lee, is the leader of the IBS Nanostructure Physics Research Group and is the world-class expert in nano-materials, being selected as the first Korean honored scientist of the Chinese Academy of Science.

World’s Top 0.01% Researcher

Nam-Gyu Park

Prof. Nam-Gyu Park, selected as a HCR for six years consecutively, is the researcher working on perovskite solar cells and the honored recipient of Citation Laureate (World’s Top 0.01% researcher), a lifetime unique glory. He is evaluated as the first Korean Novel Chemistry Award nominee.

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INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

SLI

Started in 2007, Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest is one of SKKU's international contribution programs. This program not only motivates students to learn Korean writing but also provides educational opportunities to participate in various programs at SKKU. Local Contests are conducted online, and World Contest is held by inviting participants to Korea.

SUNGKYUN HANGEUL ESSAY CONTEST

PERIOD
- Local contest: 1st half of the year
- World contest: 2nd half of the year

CONTEST LOCATIONS
South Korea, China, East Asia, South Asia, Europe, Central Asia & Russia, America

WINNERS’ BENEFITS
- Winners can receive scholarships for the SKKU Summer & Winter program, Korean Language program, or Visiting student program.
- If the world contest winners register for SKKU graduate schools, they will be provided the full tuition scholarships.

ISS

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SEMESTER

International students have the opportunity to attend the International Summer Semester (ISS), which is offered at the end of the spring semester, four weeks from late June into July. The courses offered at the ISS have the same academic standards as those offered during the fall and spring semesters, and they can be used as transfer credits depending on the host universities’ regulations and policies. The ISS offers many interesting courses in different subjects taught by distinguished professors from around the world. For more information, please visit the summer website at summer.skku.edu

WISE

WINTER INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Winter International Student Experience (WISE) aims to promote Korean studies, spread proper awareness of Korea, and foster experts in Korean Studies. It offers courses in three levels.

Advanced Korean Studies Course
This is for students with intermediate to advanced Korean levels to learn Korean language and Korean studies. All courses are offered in Korean.

Intensive Korean Language Course
This is a course for students who are beginners to learn Korean effectively in a short period of time.

SUNGYEON LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

The SLI offers 6 sessions of Korean language programs every year at both campuses. Each session lasts for 8 weeks, and beginners are required to complete all six levels, which takes a minimum of 12 months.

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STUDY ABROAD: EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SPRING SEMESTER

FALL SEMESTER
End of Aug. to Mid Dec.

EXCHANGE NOMINATION DATES

SPRING SEMESTER
Oct. 1st - Nov. 1st

FALL SEMESTER
Apr. 1st - May 1st

EXCHANGE APPLICATION PERIOD

SPRING SEMESTER
Oct. 1st - Nov. 15th

FALL SEMESTER
Apr. 1st - May 15th

CREDITS

To earn 1 SKKU credit, students must complete at least 45 hours of study, including 15 hours of class and 30 hours of self-study.

COURSES

SKKU provides more than 500 English-taught courses per semester. Inbound Exchange Courses (IEC), which include Korean culture or language courses, are specially provided only for the exchange and visiting students. To get the full list of courses offered each semester, please refer to our online course catalog which is available at our website:

International Study at SKKU Course Information Course Catalog

KOREAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

For exchange and visiting students, SKKU offers 3 types of Korean language programs: Basic Korean Program, Intensive Korean Program and Regular Korean Program. Those programs can fulfill demands for various levels, from beginner to advanced.

BUDDY PROGRAM (SG MAPLE)

SG MAPLE (SKKU Global Mentoring and Assisting People) is a buddy program that matches incoming exchange students with SKKU students. International students receive academic support and participate in diverse cultural activities to help ease their adjustment to campus life and new surroundings. The program also creates opportunities to build global friendships and foster a sense of belonging.

DORMITORY

SKKU provides on and off campus accommodations in Seoul and on-campus housing in Suwon. Each student will be assigned with a roommate to share the dormitory room.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

International students can participate in various cultural activities to immerse themselves in Korean culture so that they gain a deeper understanding of the country and appreciate its historical value.
ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

**NATIONALITY**
Foreign students whose parents are both foreign citizens. (By the time of application)

**ACADEMIC**

Undergraduate
- Applicants who graduated from high school (or expectant graduates) before the start of the semester or have high school graduate equivalency approved by an authorized organization

Graduate
- Master’s: Applicants with a Bachelor’s degree or expected to graduate
- Applicants with academic qualification equivalent to a Bachelor’s degree
- Ph.D.: Applicants with a Master’s degree or expected to graduate
- Applicants with academic qualification equivalent to a Master’s degree

LINGUISTIC ABILITY

Korean Track
- TOPIK score report submission

English Track
- 1. English proficiency test (TOEFL iBT, IELTS, TOEIC, etc.) score report submission
- 2. Students with a nationality that use English as a mother tongue/official language can submit proof of Secondary (both Middle and High School)/ Higher (Bachelor’s or Master’s) education completion within their home country

ADMISSIONS SCHEDULE

**UNDERGRADUATE**

2023 SCHOOL YEAR FALL SEMESTER

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SCHOLARSHIP

**UNDERGRADUATE**

Admissions Scholarships
- 1st Semester
  - 10~100% tuition-waived (including admissions fee) for qualified freshmen

Merit-Based Scholarships
- from the 2nd Semester
  - 30~70% tuition-waived scholarship for the 2nd-8th semester is granted based on the rank of academic performance (average GPA)

Samsung Global Sungkyun Scholarship For Foreign Students
- Nomination will be held among qualified freshmen candidates
- Full-waive of fees for the four academic years (with or without the admissions fee)

**GRADUATE**

Admissions Scholarships
- 1st Semester
  - 10~100% tuition-waived (including admissions fee) for qualified freshmen

Merit-Based Scholarships
- from the 2nd Semester
  - Based on the average GPA of the previous semester
    - Average GPA 4.5 : 50% tuition-waived
    - Average GPA 4.2~4.5 : 30% tuition-waived
    - Average GPA 3.8~4.2 : 20% tuition-waived

**STEM Scholarship**

Natural Sciences, Computing, Engineering, Medical departments
- Up to 100% tuition-waived for selected students recommended by SKKU professors*

* It is required for applicant to contact SKKU professor prior to application

**SCHOLARSHIP**

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