STUDENT SUCCESS AND FUTURE VALUE
2020 ~ 2021
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Seoul

The deep roots of SKKU are so strongly intertwined with Seoul that we cannot describe the university apart from the city. Seoul is an ancient city that has existed for over two millennia. Seoul's architectural history has been carefully preserved to maintain a link between the city of yesterday and the thriving cosmopolitan megalopolis of today. As the cultural, economic, and political center of the nation, Seoul provides infinite opportunities for discovery and excitement. University students reap the benefits of the city’s resources and are able to put into practice what they have learned in the classroom.
The campus is located inside the original city wall, which defined the boundaries of the old capital during Joseon Dynasty. It is overlooking 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.
Suwon

Being the capital of Gyeonggi Prefecture in Korea, Suwon is one of the most notable cities that has preserved the traditional beauty of the Joseon era. Located 40 km south of Seoul, it is a center for business, education, and economic research, thanks to its proximity to major industrial complexes such as Samsung Digital City, the headquarters of Samsung Electronics. Today, the city is well known for its stone fortress, Hwaseong, which was built in 1796 during the reign of King Jeongjo to guard the tomb of his father.
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 outstanding rural area.
Sungkyunkwan 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.

Sungkyunkwan is synonymous with both tradition and innovation. The literal meaning of the university’s name is “An institution for building a harmonious society of perfected human beings”. The founding philosophy of Sungkyunkwan was needed as much in the past as it is today in a world filled with ever-advancing technology.

What the university has achieved in the past fifty years meets and exceeds that of the five-hundred years preceding our current century. Following the Japanese occupation and the Korean War, SKKU underwent a renaissance. As Korea modernized and underwent social and economic reforms, the university grew rapidly.

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.
Timeline

1398 ~ 1940
1398 Sungkyunkwan founded
1400 King Taejong initiates the tradition of crown princes entering Sungkyunkwan
1475 Jongyeonggak, the first library, is established
1895 Sungkyunkwan is reformed as a three-year institution
1946 Receives accreditation from United States Army Military Government in Korea

1950~
1953 The Graduate School established, making SKKU a comprehensive university
1954 The Main Building is constructed
1957 First Science Hall is opened
1958 The Central Library is opened

1960~
1962 The Administration Building and Faculty Hall are constructed
1963 The College of Business Administration is established
1964 The University Museum opens
1965 The College of Sciences and Engineering is established
1966 The School of Library Service and the Evening Graduate Schools are established

1970~
1972 The College of Education is established
1978 The Natural Sciences Campus opens in Suwon
1981 The Graduate School of Education is established
1983 The Science Library Building is constructed
1988 The Graduate School of Confucian Studies is established

1990~
1995 The Graduate School of International Cooperation is established
1996 The Graduate School of Mass Communication and Journalism is established and Samsung Group joins the University Foundation
1997 The School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Design are established
1998 School of Art is established
1999 Medical Building is constructed

2000~
2000 600th Anniversary Building is constructed
2001 The Research Plaza is constructed
2004 The Law Building is constructed and SKK GSB established
2005 The International House is constructed
2008 Samsung Library is constructed
2009 International Hall is constructed
2019 21st president, Dr. Dong Ryeol Shin, inaugurated
2020 SKKU ranks no. 1 of all Korean comprehensive universities in Joongang Daily university evaluations for four consecutive years
Rankings

**Domestic**

1. **Private University in Korea**
   (THE, U.S. News & JoongAng Ilbo)
2. **#1 in Employability**
   (Higher Education in Korea)
3. **#1 in Consumer Satisfaction**
   (NCSI & KS-SQI)
4. **#1 MBA Program in Korea**
   (The Financial Times)

**International**

- 30 (University Impact, THE)
- 89 (THE)
- 95 (QS)
- 195 (U.S. News)
- 151-200 (ARWU)
- 39 (Reuters Innovation)
- 71-80 (Reputation, THE)
SKKU Facts

18,583
Undergraduate Students

7,213
Graduate Students

Partnered with Leading Corporation, Samsung

1st Korean university to build a Student Success Center that provides customized academic mentoring services

Our students come from 73 countries around the world

One of three universities in Korea Chosen to receive government funding to establish an AI Graduate School

Inbound Exchange Students
1,100
International Summer Semester (ISS) Students
1,434

Over 100 Student Clubs & Organizations

Sungkyun Humanity Education Center was the Ministry of Education’s First Prize Winner for educating good character development
SKKU launched the University College in 2005 to systematically promote general and basic education with a primary focus on education in the liberal arts and primary subject areas. In addition, the University College helps first-year students to live a vivid and academic school life that is different from their previous educational experiences. Liberal arts education prepares students to discover their proper field of study and achieve academic excellence and professional skills through this well-tuned educational process. The University College provides a curriculum that seeks to empower the student’s academic abilities to think, speak, and write with precision and depth, as well as their capacity to perceive and expose false reasoning. Furthermore, the University College provides various academic services and activities for first-year students to develop creative thinking and explore proper paths for their next level.

### University College

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

**CURRICULUM**

- Core and Balanced General Education
- Understanding Humanity and Culture
- Understanding Society and History
- Understanding Nature, Science and Technology

### College of Confucian Studies & Eastern Philosophy

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

**UNDERGRADUATE**
- Confucian & Oriental Studies

**GRADUATE STUDIES**
- Confucian Studies
- Korean Philosophy
- Eastern Philosophy

**GRADUATE SCHOOL OF CONFUCIAN STUDIES**
- Confucian Scriptures and Etiquette
- Calligraphy

**SPECIAL GRADUATE PROGRAM**
- Confucian Studies and Eastern Philosophy

For centuries, Sungkyunkwan was Korea’s foremost institution in the field of Confucian studies. That legacy lives on today in the College of Confucian Studies & Eastern Philosophy. The curriculum has been developed to focus on Confucianism through the study of a wide range of Oriental philosophies as well as an in depth exploration of Western philosophy. By intensely studying traditional East Asian culture and arts and learning about critiques of culture, cultural philosophy, and the culture industry, students are able to foster better understanding of traditional culture and develop it with the fashion of modernity. In addition, we provide students with Chinese language programs which serve as an important communication device in East Asia and the globe.

### Location

| Location | Seoul) 2nd floor of Hoam Hall Suwon) 2nd floor of General Studies Building | Phone | Seoul) 82-2-760-0991~382 Suwon) 82-31-299-4223~4 | Website | [http://hakbu.skku.edu](http://hakbu.skku.edu) |

| Location | 3rd floor of Toegye Hall of Humanities | Phone | 82-2-760-0912~15 | Website | [http://cos.skku.edu](http://cos.skku.edu) |
In 1953, the Department of Education opened, offering a professional program which was designed to prepare individuals for a variety of careers in the field of education. To meet the increasing need for middle school teachers, the College of Education was established in 1972, merging all of the education departments. The goal of the College of Education is to produce great teachers with the mental fortitude, interpersonal understanding and physical strength to train the generation of tomorrow. In this way the College of Education contributes to the development of Korea. Always ranked as one of the best in its field, the College of Education has produced more than 3,000 middle school and education experts.

To cultivate competent secondary teachers and specialists in education, the College of Education provides a variety of courses such as pedagogical theories and practical methodologies.

| Location | 2nd floor of Hoam Hall | Phone | 82-2-760-0962-4 | Website | http://coe.skkku.edu |

SKKU’s AACSB accredited Business School is an innovative, enterprising, and forward-thinking school that offers a supportive collegiate learning environment in keeping with the university’s vision to provide high-quality education and world-class research. It is one of SKKU’s most internationalized schools and has partnerships with top universities such as the National University of Singapore, Fudan University, Peking University, and Tsinghua University. Through these partnerships, the school collaborates on the development of Asian business cases and provides unique international exchanges, global internships, field trip opportunities and joint MBA programs.

| Location | 3rd floor of Dasan Hall of Economics | Phone | 82-2-760-0858 | Website | http://biz.skkku.edu/eng/ |
The College of Economics traces its origin to 1948, where it began as the Department of Economics. The twin disciplines of Economics and Statistics are closely intertwined in both the development and practical application of economics. The basis of this is that the objectification of economics has improved the accuracy of positive analysis, which is the foundation for statistics. Therefore, studying in both economics and statistics within the College of Economics restores the feedback effect between the two fields and improves the quality of lectures and research. It is the most logical way of reaching the educational goal of producing practical human resources needed in modern society.

| Location | 3rd floor of Dasan Hall of Economics | Phone | 82-2-760-0942-4 | Website | http://ecostat.skku.edu/eng/

The Law School has grown in strength and reputation over the years. Highly qualified legal experts have been recruited to its faculty, and it has become well known as one of the top law schools in Korea with a number of judicial officials and lawyers being produced every year. In 2008, the Ministry of Education ranked SKKU as one of the top private universities and selected it to establish its own graduate law school. The SKKU Law School opened in 2009 as one of twenty-five law schools nationwide. Under the auspices of the Samsung Foundation, the Law School is committed to educating highly competent and civic-minded legal professionals who will be the global leaders of the future.

| Location | Law school building 1st Floor | Phone | 82-2-760-0932-4 | Website | http://law.skku.edu |
The College of Social Sciences was established to contribute to the nation and society by cultivating global citizens with democratic ethics and the academic competence to be leaders in their fields. The College of Social Sciences strives to cultivate future leaders who will play leading roles in our rapidly changing information-oriented society. The programs of the College of Social Sciences are designed to provide students with a broad, systematic understanding of the society they serve. Through a variety of disciplines, students will acquire critical reading skills, effective writing skills and an awareness of the historical and philosophical issues of Korean culture. Students who have graduated from the College of Social Sciences have gone on to pursue a variety of challenging and rewarding career opportunities throughout the nation.

The College of Liberal Arts, formerly the College of Humanities, was co-founded when SKKU modernized in 1946. As the center of liberal arts and humanity education, the college is dedicated to delivering an outstanding academic experience. The college aims to cultivate students with a holistic understanding of humanity and society broadly in a deep context through various lectures and research projects in the humanities in addition to training experts in the practical command of foreign languages and knowledge in humanities reflecting the age of globalization. The College of Liberal Arts is home to ten departments and four interdisciplinary programs which offer a wide range of undergraduate and graduate degrees.

The School of Art offers programs designed for students with varied interests and abilities. Coursework is structured for both those who expect to become professionals and those interested mainly in art as a vocation or as a means toward esthetic fulfillment. The School of Art has seen steady growth since its establishment in 1997. Its faculty concentrates its efforts on education and research in order to expand on its great potential for producing creative talents for the culture and design industries of the future. Increasingly, today's society emphasizes the value of aesthetics in its industries. The school's professors work with passion and tireless effort in their teaching to answer society's needs. The School of Art will fulfill its promise to raise creative leaders with strong professionalism and practicality who will lead the global market.
The College of Engineering was established in 1965. It is SKKU’s largest college. SKKU’s tradition of educational excellence has given Korean society the enterprising vision of the future. The mission of the college is to expand education as well as research programs in a complementary approach. Furthermore, it hopes to respond to the demanding needs of society and the swift changing technology in the information era. It has some of the University’s highest internationally ranked departments by Quacquarelli Symonds (QS): Mechanical Engineering (42nd), Chemical Engineering (35th), and Advanced Materials Science (31st). Many of its programs are industry-tailored and numerous students graduate each year with straight tracks into employment at leading companies.

Since the inauguration of the Department of Electrical Engineering in 1965, electrical science at SKKU has experienced continued development and evolution leading to the more recent establishment of the College of Information and Communication Engineering (CICE). Since 2009, the CICE has been one of the largest and most innovative institutions in the nation. With an emphasis on practical skills to meet the demand of the industry was designed in tandem with the spirit of the Accreditation Board for Electrical Engineering in Korea (ABEEK) parallel to the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) in the US. The curriculum of the CICE is evolving with this trend and the students are encouraged to take courses emphasizing the practical aspects of engineering. The graduate program covers broad areas of electronic, electrical and computer engineering which integrates information technology, nanotechnology, and biotechnology.
The Department of Biotechnology and Bioengineering was originally established in 1968 with the vision that SKKU will be at the forefront of education and research in the fields of life science, biotechnology, biomedical sciences, bioengineering, and food biotechnology. The current college is comprised of three departments and an interdisciplinary program: the Department of Food Science and Biotechnology, the Department of Bio-Mechatronic Engineering, the Department of Genetic Engineering, and the Department of Biotechnology and Bioengineering. Its mission is to have an integrated learning environment that both engages and motivates students. In addition, academic-industrial ties are reinforced to both enhance research efficiency and maximize industrial value of research outcomes. On top of offering high-quality undergraduate education, the college offers excellent graduate programs at the MS and PhD levels.

The College of Science is a leader in the development of domestic schools of natural and basic sciences and technologies. This is testified by the fact that all departments of the College of Science (including Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Biological Sciences) were selected for the BK21 Project which was initiated and supported by the Ministry of Education. The College of Science has a scholarship program called Jang Yeong-sil. Through this program, the college seeks to educate talented science students and cultivate distinguished scientists. In the 21st century, science and technology will lead to the development of society and the national economy. The College of Science strives to produce professional scientists through the use of its distinguished faculty, excellent educational programs, and financial support programs.
The College of Sport Science was established in 1969 as the Department of Physical Education and developed independently to address academic interests in sports, movement, and health related issues. In 1991, the program changed its name to the College of Sport Science to accommodate rapidly changing research and educational needs. Its dynamic programs provide students with a scientific perspective of sports, movement, exercise, and health. Graduates from the school have gone on to serve as sports leaders, physical education teachers, and leading sports scientists. The school aims to cultivate skilled and creative sports scientists and physical educators who acquire in-depth knowledge about the scientific aspects of various sports phenomena, problem-solving abilities based on critical and analytic thinking, a high level of sports skills that can be applied to real coaching/teaching situations, and relevant scientific information from various academic areas through a multidisciplinary educational system.

The SKKU Institute for Convergence was launched in 2013 to meet the future demand for innovation through integration and convergence. Its main functions and roles are to develop and operate convergence education courses, to develop policies and systems for invigoration of convergence education and research, to promote and nurture convergence cluster of new science technologies and research areas, and to support Institute for Basic Science (IBS) research centers in the field of big science. SKKU Institute for Convergence has general graduate school departments in high-tech science fields (Department of Energy Science, Interaction Science, Human ICT) and two special graduate schools (Graduate school of Culture Management, Graduate School of Global Insurance and Pension).
SKKU’s newest college, the College of Computing was established with the vision of raising IT experts with international competence. It aims to raise elite global leaders in IT industry with the software developing skills. For this, the College of Computing focuses on acquiring elite students and faculties as well as up-to-date facilities. The college is also engaging on various government research grant programs such as LINC+ (Leaders in Industry-university Cooperation), to promote acquisition of knowledge and the practical experiences.

| Location | 85458, 4th floor of Research & Business Center | Phone | 82-31-290-5824 | Website | http://dbw.skku.ac.kr |

The School of Medicine was established in March 1997, three years after the foundation of Samsung Medical Center, which comprises Samsung Seoul Hospital, Kangbuk Samsung Hospital, Masan Samsung Hospital, and Samsung Cheil Hospital. Samsung Seoul Hospital, which is the main hospital for the Medical Center, and Samsung Business Group made a considerable donation for its establishment. In 1999, the Biomedical Science Building was built at the Natural Sciences Campus in Suwon and became the headquarters of the Medical School. In cooperation with Samsung Medical Center, the School is now recognized as one of the top-ranking academic medical schools in Korea. It has continuously endeavored to reform contemporary medical education and has become the first school in Korea to provide a full two-year PBL program for preclinical education.

| Location | 1st floor of Medical Building | Phone | 82-31-299-6021-4 | Website | http://www.skkumed.ac.kr/ |

The School of Pharmacy was established in 1953 and has provided top-class pharmaceutical education in Korea ever since. The undergraduate program is one of the top pharmacy schools in Korea. Approximately 5,000 of the school’s alumni are working as core researchers for domestic pharmaceutical companies or are running their own pharmacies as successful chemists. Many pharmacists and researchers who graduated from the school actively contribute to the nation’s health care policies by developing new pharmaceuticals. Currently it receives extramural research funding in excess of 5 million USD from both the public and private sectors. In research, over 100 SCI papers per year are published by the distinguished faculty and researchers. As part of its effort to be a world leader in pharmacy education, the school provides competitive educational programs and research facilities for undergraduate and graduate students.

| Location | 3rd floor of School of Pharmacy Building | Phone | 82-31-290-7720 | Website | http://pharm.skku.edu/ |
SKK Graduate School of Business (SKK GSB)
SKK GSB is home to world-renowned MBA programs. Its Global MBA program has been ranked number one in Korea by the Financial Times (FT) for nine consecutive years. A majority of the school’s students and faculty members are international. Also, all GSB students have the opportunity to study at prestigious international schools including MIT Sloan School of Management, Indiana University Kelley School of Business, Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, UC Irvine Paul Merage School of Business, EDHEC Business School, IE Business School, ESMT, WHU, CEIBS, HKUST, and Peking University Guanghua School 16 of Management.

Applied Data Science
The Applied Data Science program is a great example of SKKU’s current focus on the Fourth Industrial Revolution education. It empowers its students by operating academic schedules and curricula customized for them with AI and Big Data-based data analytics that provide hands-on training in relevant fields. With a wide range of applications and industry tailored courses, this dynamic data analysis program is designed to prepare students for careers in leading companies.

Graduate School of Governance
The Graduate School of Governance has educated future leaders including public officials, lawyers, computer engineers, and consultants from numerous countries. Its Global MPA program is sponsored by the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). The school also has the KF Global e-School program with real-time online video lectures with offline programs including workshops and seminars conducted by leading professors in their fields.

Graduate School of Artificial Intelligence
The Graduate School of Artificial Intelligence is SKKU’s newest graduate school. Focused on the cutting edge and influential field of AI, the school was initiated through specialized funding from the Korean Ministry of Science and ICT. The school aims to cultivate leaders that will become key innovators in the era of the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

Graduate School of China (SKK GSC)
Founded in 2005, SKK Graduate School of China is Korea's first educational institution specializing in Chinese business studies (Chinese Finance, Chinese Marketing, Chinese Entrepreneurship & Strategy). It has student exchange programs and dual degree programs based on strong collaborative partnerships with leading Chinese institutions, including Peking University and Fudan University. It has a pioneer program that involves visiting local Chinese companies for business insights, and a preparatory program to meet the different needs of new students. The GSC also invites renowned professors or specialists to give lectures and hold joint academic forums.
Research Statistics

Funding

- Total: $380 million
- Private Sector: $74 million
- Industry Funding: $85 million
- Per Professor: $224,000
- BK21+: 31 units, $20 million/year

Performance

- Publications: 5,275 (#1 in Korea)
- Patents: 576 (173 int’l.)
- Tech. Transfer: $5 million
- Citations per Paper: 5.1
- Impact Factor: 4.562 (#1 in Korea)
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.

SKKU has over twenty research institutes in the field of engineering. The institutes are focused on an extensive variety of areas, including but not limited to robotics, environmental engineering, advanced machinery, advanced materials, smart city, and smart appliances. SKKU’s engineering research output is simply staggering, with thousands of high-impact publications and hundreds of patents being made every year.

SKKU is highly motivated to advance the understanding of this influential field due to the onset of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. SKKU’s research in the field of information and communication encompasses a wide range of areas, such as industrial electronics applications, semiconductor systems and display, wireless communication, game technology, green car electrotechnology, intelligent systems, and ubiquitous computing.

SKKU is a national leader in medical research. Through its partnership with Samsung Medical Center, SKKU’s substantial production of important research papers and development of revolutionary life-saving technologies has placed the university among the top-ranked institutions in the world. Furthermore, SKKU’s institutes conduct research with convergent mindsets that incorporate knowledge and skills in a variety of disciplines.

SKKU has several bioscience and biotechnology research institutes working across the diverse areas of agricultural science, oceanography, medicine, pharmaceuticals, and engineering. Through these institutes, SKKU researchers are advancing the production, improvement, and conservation of biological resources, hygiene and safety of food resources, and application of bio-industrial processes.

The SKKU Advanced Institute of Nanotechnology (SAINT) is focused on every area of nanoscience and technology, including Nanophysics, Nano Chemistry, Nano Devices, Nano Materials, and Nanomechatronics. This large and comprehensive institute works on convergent research with a number of other institutes to develop cutting edge materials and technologies that can be applied to a broad range of fields from electronics to medicine and beyond.
## Humanities and Social Sciences Research Institutes

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Student Life

Not all international students are the same. We believe that they have different needs and go through challenges unique to their student status, situations, and backgrounds. This is the reason why we have tailored services available for degree-seeking international students and exchange students.

SPORTS
Sungkyun Football Team
Sungkyun Martial Arts Club
E-Sports Team (Sunbi)

LEISURE
Travel Club Youth Hostel
Sungkyun Go Club
Hogwarts Magic Club

PERFORMANCE AND ARTS
Traditional Mask Performance Club (Tal)
Hip-hop & Dance Club (GGUN)
Sungkyun Art Club

ACADEMIC/POLITICAL GROUP
Model United Nations Students Association
Association for Research on Labor Affairs (AIESEC)

TECHNOLOGY
Sungkyun Micro Computer Research Club Extraordinary Invention Club
Sungkyunkwan Aircraft Control Club (SACC)

RELIGION
Catholic Students’ Union
Buddhist Club
Campus Crusade for Christ in Korea (CCC)
Degree-seeking International Students

Global Buddy Program
The Global Buddy Program is designed to mutually benefit degree seeking international students and SKKU students. International students are provided with academic support and diverse cultural activities to help ease their adjustment to campus life and the new surroundings. SKKU students are provided with an opportunity to enhance their global competence by interacting with people from different cultures, customs, and languages.

Korean Language Programs
Proficiency in Korean can be critical in landing a job and navigating life in Korea. With this in mind, Korean Language Programs are offered at no charge for degree seeking international students to help improve their Korean language skill. We cover the fees for students to take the Test of Proficiency in Korean (TOPIK) and encourage them to be immersed in Korean culture and linguistics.

Career Development Programs
Career development programs are offered for international students to receive counseling and employment support. The programs include special lectures to prepare to search for jobs in Korea, writing and editing a job applications, practice for interviews, and more.

Cultural Activities
International students can take advantage of cultural activities that are offered every semester. These activities help students experience the Korean culture and appreciate the beauty and value of the country. While the activities vary from semester to semester, some of the past ones include a temple stay, visiting Namhansanseong Fortress (nominated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site), and making songpyeon, a traditional snack eaten during Chuseok, Korea’s autumn harvest festival.

Accommodation
Accommodation is guaranteed to all the first years of degree-seeking international students upon successful completion of their applications.
Exchange Students

SG MAPLE/GSN HI-CLUB
SKKU Global Mentoring and Assisting People (SG MAPLE) is a buddy program that matches incoming exchange students with Sungkyunkwan University students. By collaborating with a student organization called GSN HI-CLUB (Global Student Network Help & Information Club), SG MAPLE provides cultural guidance and linguistic support to help exchange students transition to life in Korea. It creates opportunities to build friendships and provides the necessary tools for exchange students to become part of the SKKU community by fostering inclusion and a sense of belonging.

Student Orientation
All exchange students are invited to attend student orientations specially designed to accommodate their needs before each semester starts. Through the orientations, exchange students have the chance to meet their buddies for the first time. Divided into two parts, an information session and social event, the orientations provide students with the resources, tools, and information on navigating life at SKKU as well as visa issues. In the second part of the orientations, students are encouraged to spend some quality time with their peers and buddies at a local pub or a restaurant near the school.

Cultural Activities
During the semester, there are cultural activities available for exchange students. They have a chance to visit a folk village to experience traditional Korean culture as it features a farming village, Confucian Academy, and various buildings from the late Joseon period. After the trip to the village, the students have a BBQ party at the Natural Science Campus in Suwon.

Student Mobility Fairs
Student Mobility Fairs are events that encourage exchange students to introduce their home universities to other SKKU students. In the past, over 20 universities have been showcased and close to 300 people have attended the events. This provides a wonderful opportunity for SKKU students to learn about schools abroad and ask questions directly to current students.

Accommodation
Accommodation is 100% guaranteed for all international exchange students. For more information on the housing SKKU provides for each campus, scan the QR code on the bottom of page 24.
Both Degree-seeking International Students & Exchange Students

Centers
The One-Stop Service Center makes it easier for students to deal with academic issues and concerns. Some of the main services include course registration, scheduling leaves of absence, readmission, graduation, double majors, etc.

The Human Rights Center provides services, education, and counseling support on sexual misconduct, including sexual assault, sexual harassment and sexual exploitation. It also offers confidential individual counseling related to human rights violations, gender identity, and gender discrimination.

The Student Counseling Center addresses a wide range of challenges related to mental health, interpersonal relationships, transitions, academics, career anxiety, and much more. Students are matched with a counselor and engage in a 1:1 counseling.

The Healthcare Center is available on-campus for all students to receive health-related counseling without prescriptions. Some of the medical services include internal medicine, dentistry, ENT, psychiatry, gynecology (related to menstruation), and obesity counseling. Depending on the type of services, reservations are not required.

Sports Facilities
SKKU has numerous sports facilities, including gyms at both campuses as well as basketball and tennis courts along with baseball and soccer fields. Students are welcome to utilize the facilities on their own or together with their classmates in student clubs.

Amenities
There are many dining options available for students to enjoy. SKKU’s cafeterias are the most popular among students since they offer very affordable and nutritious meals for around $4-5 US dollars. While there are designated cafeterias for administrators and faculty members at a higher price than the student ones, they are open to everyone. Apart from the usual amenities such as stores and cafés on-campus, SKKU has a hair salon offering student discounts, a flower shop, a shoe repair shop, and travel agency in both campuses.
Student Life

Exchange Nomination Dates
• Spring Semester: October 15th
• Fall Semester: May 1st

Exchange Application Period: Spring Semester
• September 15th – October 31st
• Fall Semester: April 1st – May 15th

Exchange/Visiting Application
To apply for SKKU’s exchange or visiting student programs, students must use the online application system which can be found here: http://dev2.skku.edu/e-home-s/inter_app/hsig1075.jsp.

Degree-seeking Application
To apply to SKKU as a degree-seeking student and locate up-to-date information on schedules, eligibility, and requirements, use the online application system on SKKU’s admissions website: https://admission-global.skku.edu/eng/index.html.

Academic Calendar
• Spring Semester: Beginning of March to late June
• Fall Semester: Beginning of September to late December

Language Requirements
Students can choose one from TOEFL (iBT 80 / ITP 550), IELTS 6.0) English CEFR (B2), CET (4) for English and TOPIK (3) for Korean courses.

Courses
Nearly half of SKKU’s courses are provided in English. More information can be found here: https://www.skku.edu/eng/International/StudySKKU/CourseInformation.do.

Credits
One SKKU credit requires at least forty-eight hours of study (16 classroom study/contact hours and 32 self-study hours) in a semester.

Dormitories
SKKU provides on and off campus accommodation in Seoul and on-campus housing in Suwon. More information can be found here: https://dorm.skku.edu/dorm_eng/.
Global Engagement

Academic Korean Language Program

Students from prestigious universities such as Harvard, Yale, Stanford, UCLA, and University of British Columbia praise the academic Korean language program at Sungkyunkwan University. Former PhD student Nathaniel Kingdon said, “I have studied the Korean language over six years at four different institutions and I can honestly say that the IUC Korean language program at Sungkyunkwan University is by far the most effective language course I have taken.” Affiliated with the East Asian Academy, the Inter-University Center (IUC) invites graduate students and researchers specializing in Korean Studies to improve their academic Korean.

SKK Korean Writing Contest

Every year, the university holds multiple SKK Writing Contests throughout Europe and Asia. Some past locations include Vietnam, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Austria, Uzbekistan, and China. Participating students are given the chance to win scholarships to obtain their master’s degrees from SKKU for their Korean writing skills.

International Summer Semester (ISS)

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 ISS website: https://summer.skku.edu/summer/index.do.

Winter International Student Experience (WISE)

The WISE is a unique two-week program that takes place at the end of January. It is focused on intensive Korean language studies and K-Culture (media, entertainment, music, dance, fashion), which has swept the globe in recent years. This program is an excellent opportunity for international students to learn about what drives K-Culture’s international popularity all while experiencing the beauty of winter in Korea. For more information, please visit the WISE website: https://winter.skku.edu/winter/index.do.
Promoting Internationalization Through the Curriculum

With the purpose of cultivating future global leaders, all students at SKKU are required to take English language courses to improve their communication skills in addition to completing cultural courses to help them understand worldwide perspectives. There are over 100 approved intercultural themed courses across 3 different disciplines: general education, social sciences, and natural sciences.

Bridging the Classroom and Experiential Learning Abroad

The College of Computing’s distinctive focus on experiential learning has expanded abroad, enabling a robust connection from theory to practice. In January of 2020, 56 second-year students were led by 9 faculty and 2 staff members to visit Silicon Valley in San Francisco to experience the latest technology and trends of IT. Apart from having a practicum as part of the graduation requirements for students, the College of Computing is one of the driving forces at SKKU that connects classroom learning with hands-on experiences in courses they offer. As part of the capstone design course, each of the three selected groups of students from different disciplines traveled to the United States, Australia, and Vietnam in 2019 to collaborate with peers from San José State University, The University of Queensland, and Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology.

Enhancing Global Competency Across the Campus

Innovation is an integral component at SKKU, and there is no exception when it comes to promoting internationalization at SKKU. Bridging creativity and global engagement, we offer programs designed to enhance students’ cultural fluency and creative thinking. The Global Creative Challenger Program is such a program. It provides an opportunity for students to plan, coordinate, and execute a research project on their own while overseas.

The Design Thinking based Intercultural Collaborative Workshop is a similar program aimed to enhance global competency and design thinking through company visits and collaboration with fellow peers from universities abroad.

The Start Up Support Foundation is another active agent that promotes global engagement on and off campus. Supporting both university students and future entrepreneurs alike, the foundation’s early entrepreneurship project was recently launched to support the global commercialization of 14 startup businesses that are under three years old across three different fields: AI, biotechnology, and healthcare.
President’s Message

“SKKU will become an innovative and sharing university creatively challenging, communicating and cooperating to achieve ‘Student Success’ and ‘Future Value’ based on 622 years of history and tradition.”

Sungkyunkwan University is a nationally leading university with 622 years of glorious history and shining tradition. The university has led the development of higher education in Korea by challenging and innovating with a mind for sharing and coexistence.

We will make a leap forward to become a “Global Leading University” and contribute to the prosperity and development of humanity along with other prestigious universities in the world. We will share the founding Confucian philosophy of our university (仁義禮智, Benevolence, Righteousness, Propriety, Wisdom) to create a united campus community that values togetherness and coexistence.

Dong Ryool Shin, Ph.D.
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