2023
Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest Guide

Local Contest

Participant Guide

Hosting Regions: Total of 7 areas
① South Korea  ② China  ③ Northeast Asia · Oceania  ④ Southeast Asia
⑤ Central Asia · Russia  ⑥ Europe  ⑦ North America · Central/ South America

※ Regional Selection: Based on the participant’s affiliated home university (regardless of the current country of residence)
※ List of countries by region: https://www.mofa.go.kr/www/nation/m_3458/list.do

Contest Date May 6th, 2023 (Sat), Korean Standard Time (UTC+9)
- Americas 08:00 ~ 10:00
- South Korea / China 10:00 ~ 12:00
- Northeast Asia & Oceania / Southeast Asia 15:00 ~ 17:00
- Central Asia & Russia / Europe 19:00 ~ 21:00

Schedule
- Registration Period April 3rd, 2023 (Mon) ~ April 30th (Sun)
- Orientation May 3rd, 2023 (Wed)
  ※ Held at the same time as the contest for each region
  ※ Use of language: Korean
- Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest May 6th, 2023 (Sat)
- Result Announcement Early June 2023

Qualification
- International students (undergraduate and graduate) studying the Korean language in foreign universities, including those on leave
Application

- Application Period: April 3rd, 2023 (Mon) ~ April 30th, 2023 (Sun)
- Application Method: Click on the ‘Application for Participation’ on the website of Sunkyun Hangeul Essay Contest (https://hangul.skku.edu/)

- Submission of documents
  1. Profile picture: Only the passport-sized photos taken facing front will be accepted
  2. ID Card: Passport or ID-card scanned file (for nationality confirmation)
  3. Certificate of Enrollment: Recommended to submit it in Korean or English
     * Documents issued by the affiliated university within the last 3 months
     * In case of inability to submit the Certificate of Enrollment by the deadline, please inquire with the Office of International Relations
  4. Handwritten Consent form; Downloadable form from the registration page or noticeboard

Contest Type: Online

※ Prior preparation
  ① An electronic device with a built-in camera
     (i.e. smartphone, tablet PC, laptop, etc.)
  ② A stable Wi-Fi connection environment

Form of Writing: Essay

Topic: Released on the day of the contest

※ Previous essay topics are available on Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest Homepage

Writing Format
- Manuscript: Use the provided format of each region from the noticeboard, which includes 400 characters per page
- Length: At least 1200 characters (at least 3 or more pages of paper)
- Duration: 90 minutes
- Please write by hand on the manuscript provided and scan or take a photo of the manuscript for submission
- Use of dictionaries allowed

Evaluation and Awards

Result Announcement: Announcement on the website and individual notifications in early June of 2023

Evaluation Criteria
- Relevance to the topic
- Originality
- Adequacy of composition and appropriate use of expressions
- Accuracy in grammar, spelling, punctuation, and manuscript paper usage
- For some applicants additional verification of Korean language proficiency may be conducted through video interviews
Awards
- 1 Gold Prize, 2 Silver Prizes, 2 Bronze Prizes, 5 Excellent Writing Awards, 5 Participation Awards
※ If there are no qualified candidates, the prize may not be awarded
- Scanned copies of the award certificates will be sent to the email address provided, and the original copy will be sent by mail to the address provided from registration

Benefits
- All winners: Reduced tuition for a short-term education program at SKKU
  (choose one of the two programs below)

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- Gold, Silver, and Bronze Prize winners from each region
  - Opportunity to participate in a 3-nights 4-days Korean cultural experience program and attend the annual Global Contest
  - Winners in Local Contest in area other than Korea: Round-trip airfare tickets for winners from regions outside of Korea (with a limit per country/region)
  - Winners in Korea: Round-trip transportation fee for winners from residing outside of Seoul in Korea

※ 2023 International Summer Semester, ISS
- Period: June 26th, 2023 (Mon) ~ July 19th, 2023 (Fri), 4 weeks
- Refer to https://summer.skku.edu/ for the offered courses

Global Contest and Korean Invitational Programs

Eligibility 2023 Gold, Silver, and Bronze Prize winners of Local contest
- Winners in Local Contest in area other than Korea: Round-trip airfare tickets for winners from regions outside of Korea (with a limit per country/region)
- Winners in Korea: Round-trip transportation fee for winners from residing outside of Seoul in Korea
- Online participation allowed for those who are unable to visit Korea due to personal circumstances
Event Schedule  August 8th, 2023 (Tues) ~ August 11th, 2023 (Fri), 3-nights 4-days
- Global Contest: August 9th, 2023 (Wed)

Benefit  Full scholarship for admission fee and tuition (4 semesters) for SKKU Graduate School (Master’s or Doctoral program)
※ Applicable for those who enroll within 3 years after graduating from the current program

IMPORTANT NOTES

• If a paper submitted has been plagiarized or created though unfair means, such as ghostwriting or proxy writing, the submission will be disqualified from judging, and the wrongdoer may be banned from participating in the contest for the next 2 years.
• If any misconduct is discovered after winning an award, the award may be voided, and any prize money or awards that have already been given may be reclaimed.
• Some participants may be subjected to additional verification of Korean language proficiency through video interviews or other means.
• All schedules for the contest will be based on Korean Standard Time (UTC+9)
• Past winners of Gold · Silver · Bronze from the Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest are not eligible to apply.
• All copyrights and usage rights of the submitted works for the Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest belong to the university, and Sungkyunkwan University may use the works for online posting, participants’ education, and publication of the contest books.

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