# 2020 Global Korea Scholarship

# **Application Guidelines for Graduate Degrees**



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# I. ADMISSION TIMELINE

Schedule	Date	Remarks
Application	Feb.13 <sup>th</sup> ~Mar.13 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	- By visit or by post
Documents Screening	Mar.17 <sup>th</sup> ~ Mar.20 <sup>nd</sup> , 2020	
Interview	Mar.24 <sup>th</sup> ~Mar.27 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	
Announcement of Accepted Applicants	Mar. 31st, 2020	- On the website and via email
Recommendation Deadline	Apr. 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2020	-To NIIED
Final selection	Apr. ~May, 2020	- NIIED
Result notice	Jun. 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	- NIIED
Entry to Korea	Aug.21 <sup>st</sup> ~ 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	
Orientation	Aug.26 <sup>th</sup> ~ 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2020	- NIIED
Language course or graduate school begins	Sep. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2020	

## **II. AVAILABE SLOTS**

	G	NT. A.		
	Non-Regional	Regional	Note	
Field	General	Natural Science & Engineering		
Quota	25	10		

# **III. COURSES**

# - Master's and Doctoral degree

Course	Course Master's Doctoral		Remarks
Duration	3 years (1 year of Korean Language course + 2 years of Degree course)	4 years (1 year of Korean Language course + 3 years of Degree course)	1 year of Korean Language Course
Duration	Sep.1 <sup>st</sup> , 2020 ~ Aug.31 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	Sep.1 <sup>st</sup> , 2020 ~ Aug.31 <sup>st</sup> , 2024	included

# **IV. MAJORS**

## - Graduate Course

Division	Department	Degree		Remarks
Division	Department	Master's	Doctoral	Remains
	Business Administration	0	0	
	Economics	0	0	
	Archaeology and Cultural Anthropology	0	0	
	Education	0	0	
	Korean Language Education	0	X	
	Korean Language and Literature	0	0	
	International Trade	0	0	
	Library and Information Science	0	0	
	Law	0	0	
Humanities/	History	0	0	
Social Sciences	Social Welfare	0	0	
	Sociology	0	0	
	Mathematics Education	0	X	
	Spanish & Latin American Studies	0	X	
	Journalism and Communications	0	0	
	Child & family studies	0	X	
	Language and Literature Education	X	0	
	English Language and Literature	0	0	
	Japanese Studies	0	0	
	Political Science	0	0	

	Chinese Language and Literature	0	0	
	Philosophy	0	0	
	French and African Studies	0	0	
	Korean Language as a Second Language Education	0	X	
	Public Administration	0	0	
	Accounting	0	0	
	Science Education	X	0	
	Physics Education	0	X	
	Biology Education	0	X	
	Chemistry Education	0	X	
	Science Studies	0	0	
	Agricultural Engineering	0	0	
	Agricultural Biology	0	0	
	Agricultural Economics	0	0	
	Agronomy	0	0	
	Agriculture Chemistry	0	0	
	Wood Science & Technology	0	0	
	Physics	0	0	
	Molecular Biology	0	X	
Natural	Biology	0	0	
Sciences/	Human Ecology	0	0	
Agriculture	Mathematics	0	0	
1 18110 01100110	Food Science and Technology	0	0	
	Food Science and Human Nutrition	0	0	
	Horticulture	0	0	
	Forestry	0	0	
	Landscape Architecture	0	0	
	Housing Environmental Design	0		
	Earth and Environmental Sciences	0	0	
	Animal Science	0	0	
	Dental Science	0	0	
	Statistics	0	0	
	Chemistry	0	0	
	Biotechnology	0	0	Ik-san Campus
	Ecology Landscape Architecture-Design	0	X	Ik-san Campus
Engineering	BIN Convergence Technology	0	0	
Engineering	IT Applied Systems Engineering	0	0	

Architecture Engineering PolymerNano Science and Technology Mechanical Engineering Mechanical Design Engineering  Mechanical System Engineering  Naterial Engineering  Mindustrial System Engineering  Mineral Resources Technology Engineering  Mineral Resources and Energy Engineering  Materials Engineering  Materials Engineering  Electronic Engineering  Computer Science and Engineering  Carbon Materials & Fiber Engineering  Civil Engineering  Aerospace Engineering  Medical Science  Medicine  Those with Bach	
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Veterinary Medicine o Ik-san Camp	ıs
Dance OX	
Arts/ Fine Arts 0 0	
Physical Industrial Design	
Education Music O	
Physical Education 0 0	
Korean Music O X	
Records, Archives and Information Science	
Interdisciplinary Basic Humanity Studies   O X	
Intangible Heritage and Information Science   O	
International Cyber Trade and Area Study OX	_

Mathematics Education	X	0	
Child & family studies	X	0	
English Education	0	0	
Cognitive Science	0	0	
Latin America, Fashion, Trade and Commerce	0	X	
Nano Science and Technology	0	0	
Agricultural Convergence Technology	0	0	
Design and Manufacturing	0	0	
Mechatronics Engineering	0	0	
Bio·Nano System Engineering	0	0	
Bioactive Materials	0	0	
Bioprocess Engineering	0	0	
Sports Science	0	0	
Software Engineering	X	0	
Clinical Speech Pathology	0	0	
Energy Engineering	0	0	
Energy Storage · Conversion Engineering	0	0	
Image Engineering	0	0	
Information Security Engineering	0	0	
Information and Communications	0	X	
Housing Environmental Design	X	0	
Intelligence Vehicle System Engineering	0	0	
Healthcare Engineering	0	0	
Korean Music	X	0	
Life Style Medicine	0	0	Ik-san Campus
 Ecology Landscape Architecture-Design	X	0	Ik-san Campus

### V. ELIGIBILITY

#### 1. Nationality

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

(\*Exception: For overseas Korean applicants holding Japanese citizenship, if their parents hold 'Permanent Residency Permit' within Japan while holding Korean citizenship, are eligible to apply.)

#### 2. Age

- Must be under 40 years of age as of September 1, 2020 (born after September 1, 1980)
- Academic professors who are under 45 years of age as of September 1, 2020 (born after September 1, 1975) and hold citizenship of one of Official Development Assistance (ODA) recipients listed in the table below are eligible to apply.

### < \*ODA Recipients(105 countries) >

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, China, Colombia, Comoros, DR Congo, Republic of the Congo, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, 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, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Vietnam, Zambia, Zimbabwe

#### 3. Degree Requirements

- Applicants must hold or must be expected to hold a Bachelor's, Master's or a Doctoral degree by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
  - Doctoral Program Applicants: Must hold a Master's degree or a level of education equivalent to a Master's degree
  - Master's Program Applicants: Must hold a Bachelor's degree or a level of education equivalent to a Bachelor's degree
- Applicants who are expected to graduate at the time of applying must first submit the certificate of expected graduation at the time of applying. The official degree certificate (or diploma) and final academic transcript must be submitted by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at the very latest.
  - In case an applicant fails to submit the above mentioned document by August 31<sup>st</sup>,
     2020 or does not fulfill the grade requirement, the scholarship will be forfeited.
- O Prospective applicants who have attained a Bachelor's, Master's, or a doctoral degree in Korea are NOT eligible to apply. (\*\*Exception: Overseas Korean Adoptees and GKS scholars)
- O Applicants who have previously studied in a Korean university as exchange or visiting students can apply to this program.
- **[GKS Scholars re-applying to the program]:** The former or current GKS scholars who have attained or is expected to obtain the degree as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 are eligible to apply under following conditions:
  - Submit their applications through either Embassy Track or University Track and must be selected from one of those two institutions in the 1<sup>st</sup> round of selection.
  - Can only re-apply for the higher degree program once (Bachelor's→ Master's,
     Master's→ Doctoral) and must have overall grade point average equivalent to or higher than 90%.

#### 4. Grades

- \* GPA: Grade Point Average, CGPA: Cumulative (overall) Grade Point Average
- All applicants must have maintained the overall grade point average (CGPA) equivalent to or higher than any ONE of the following from their respective universities:
  - 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 on a 100 point scale or be ranked within the top 20% within one's class (Exception: Previous or current GKS scholars must hold the grade of 90% or above on a 100 point scale or be ranked within the top 10% within one's class)
- Refer to Appendix A for the GPA Conversion table
- o If an applicant has a CGPA below the minimum grade requirement, the applicant will be disqualified and application will be disregarded.
- o If an applicant holds a transcript that does not include information on grade point average or is unable to convert his or her grades into any one of the GPA criteria mentioned above, then applicant must submit an official document issued by the applicant's university describing the university's grade system.

#### 5. Health

- All applicants must be in good health, both mentally and physically, to study in Korea for the full duration of degree or research programs.
- All applicants must submit Form 6 or the "Personal Medical Assessment" at the time of applying.
- All applicants who pass the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of selection must receive comprehensive medical checkup and submit the certificate of health and medical examination result issued by a medical doctor or a licensed physician.
- o If an applicant is found to be in one of the following conditions, the applicant will be disqualified in the final round of selection:
  - An applicant is tested positive on drug tests;
  - An applicant owns serious illness that prevents him or her to study abroad for long period of time including the full duration of degree or research program in Korea.

#### 6. Restriction

- Prospective applicants who have attained a Bachelor's, Master's, or a doctoral degree in Korea are NOT eligible to apply.
  - (**Exception:** Overseas Korean Adoptees and GKS scholars)
  - \*Applicants who have previously studied in a Korean university as exchange or visiting students can apply to this program.
- o Former applicants who had withdrawn from the scholarship after being selected as GKS scholars (applicable to those who did not come to Korea after being selected as GKS scholars and who had resigned from their studies) in the past are strictly NOT eligible to apply. However, a former

GKS scholar whose scholarship was forfeited due to a scholar's failure to achieve TOPIK level 3 or above after completing Korean language program may be deemed eligible to reapply if a scholar receive TOPIK level 5 or above.

• (Prior Notice) Effective 2021

#### [\* Restriction for GKS scholars who are reapplying to the program]

-GKS scholars who are reapplying to the program MUST hold TOPIK level 5 or 6 in order to reapply for the program starting from 2021 GKS Graduate Program.

#### 7. Preference

- Applicants who received outstanding 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 majors in the field of Natural Science and Engineering are given priority when they receive same marks with other candidates.
- Applicants who apply for majors under the *Industrial Professionals Training Project* are given priority when they receive same marks with other candidates.
- Academic professors holding citizenship of developing countries, especially ODA recipients, are given priority when they receive same marks with other candidates.
- Descendants of Korean War veterans will receive additional 5% of the total marks.
- Applicants from low income families or underprivileged backgrounds will be given preference.
- Applicants who are confirmed to be the 'third generation' or 'post-third generation' overseas Koreans will be given preference

# **VI. REUIRED DOCUMENTS**

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

	REQUIRED DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST	MASTER'S	DOCTORAL
1	Applicant Form (Form 1)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
2	Personal Statement (Form 2)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
3	Statement of Purpose (Form 3)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
4	TWO letters of Recommendation (Form 5)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
5	GKS Applicant Agreement (Form 7)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
6	Personal Medical Assessment (Form 8)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
7	Bachelor's Diploma or Certificate of Degree(Original)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
8	Bachelor's degree Transcript (Original)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
9	Master's Diploma or Certificate of Degree (Original)	-	REQUIRED
10	Master's degree Transcript (Original)	-	REQUIRED
11	Applicant's Proof of Citizenship	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
12	Parent's Proof of Citizenship	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
13	Certificate of Korean Citizenship Renunciation * ONLY for previous Korean citizenship holders	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS
14	Proof of Korean citizenship Renunciation *ONLY for previous Korean citizenship holders	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS
15	Proof of Korean Adoptee *ONLY for overseas Korean adoptees	RELEVANT APPLICANTS	RELEVANT APPLICANTS
16	Certificate of valid TOPIK score	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
17	Certificate of valid English Proficiency Test	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
18	Published Papers	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL
19	Awards	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL

#### 2. Notes for ALL Applicants

- <sup>o</sup> All application documents must be written either in Korean or in English.
- o 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 application documents must be presented in their original forms. If an applicant has to submit photocopied documents, applicant MUST have the photocopies notarized, apostilled, or receive consular confirmation and submit those certified documents.
  - \*\*\*\*For the applicants who are certain that they will not be able to get their academic documents reissued in the future, we strongly recommend them to submit notarized, apostilled or consular-confirmed academic documents in lieu of original documents.
- All documents submitted will NOT be returned to the applicants in any case.
- Application documents must be submitted in the order of the checklist on the first page of the application forms. Each required document must be numbered and labeled on the top right corner. (ex. 9. Certificate of Bachelor's degree)
- Any fraudulent or incomplete applications will be disregarded and even if a scholar has been selected, he or she will forfeit his or her scholarship if the application is found fraudulent.
- Applicants who are expected to graduate at the time of applying must first submit the certificate of expected graduation at the time of applying. The official degree certificate (or diploma) and final academic transcript must be submitted by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at the very latest.
  - If an applicant fails to submit official degree certificate (or diploma) and final academic transcript by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 or does not fulfill the grade requirement, the scholarship will be forfeited.
- The recommendation letters must be written by two different recommenders, who can give thorough assessment on applicant's academic abilities.
- The recommenders must seal recommendation letters in an envelope and sign across the back flap. The letters with broken seal or sign will be considered invalid.
- For the published papers, research papers, and awards, photocopies are acceptable.
- The proof of citizenship must be government-issued documents. The 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 applicant's parent(No need for notarization)

#### 3. University Track Applicants

o Must submit **ONE set of** original application documents.

### VII. SCHOLARHIP INFORMATION from NIIED

#### 1. Scholarship Information is available at the following:

- NIIED's Global Korea Scholarship (GKS) website:
   www.studyinkorea.go.kr < Scholarship<GKS Notice</li>
   Board
  - Application guidelines, Application Forms, University 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	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>

#### Airfare

- Entry to Korea: An economy class flight ticket from GKS scholar's home country to Korea
- Return: An economy class flight ticket from Korea to GKS scholar's home country
- Entry flight ticket will NOT be provided to scholars who have resided in Korea at the time of applying to this program and up until the designated arrival period.
- The return flight ticket is only offered to GKS 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 domestic travel fees within a GKS scholar's home country are NOT covered.
- International travel insurance is NOT covered.
- For GKS scholars selected in China and Czech Republic: The flight tickets will be prepared and provided by the government of China and Czech Republic, respectively, in accordance with the agreement made between Korean government and the governments of two countries.
- Settlement Allowance: 200,000 KRW (offered once after entry to Korea)
- o Monthly Allowance: (Degree Program) 1,000,000 KRW per month
- Research Allowance
  - Liberal Arts and Social Science majors: 210,000 KRW per semester
  - Natural Science and Engineering majors: 240,000 KRW per semester
- 1-Year Korean Language Training Fee: Fully covered
- Degree Program Tuition: Fully covered

- Tuition amount covered by NIIED is maximum 5million KRW, and the amount that exceeds 5 million KRW will be covered by scholar's university.
- University Admission fees are waived for GKS scholars.
- o Thesis (Dissertation) Printing Fee Reimbursement
  - The actual printing cost shown on the receipt will be reimbursed (receipt submission required)
  - Maximum reimbursable amount for each scholar: 500,000 KRW for Liberal Arts and Social Science majors, 800,000 KRW for Natural Science & Engineering and Arts, Music & Sports majors.
- Medical Insurance: 20,000 KRW per month
- Korean Proficiency Grants: 100,000 KRW per month
  - This special grant is given only to GKS scholars in the degree program who have attained valid TOPIK level 5 or 6.
- o Degree Completion Grants: 100,000 KRW (offered once)
  - Offered to GKS scholars who return to their home countries after completing their degree coursework under the scholarship program.
  - NOT offered to GKS scholars who decide to remain in Korea after completing their degree coursework
- \* Korean Proficiency Grants, Korean Language Training Fee, Degree Program Tuition, and Thesis (Dissertation) Printing Fee are ONLY given to degree-pursuing scholars

### VIII. PERIOD OF SCHOLARSHIP

#### 1. Doctoral Degree Program: 4 years (2020. 9. 1. ~ 2024. 8. 31.)

- 1 year of Korean language program
- 3 years of regular degree program

#### 2. Master's Degree Program: 3 years (2020. 9. 1. ~ 2023. 8. 31.)

- 1 year of Korean language program
- o 2 years of degree program

#### 3. Important Notes regarding Scholarship Period

- The scholarship period for the degree (Master's-2years, Doctoral-3years) and research program (6months) cannot be extended once the scholarship is terminated.
- The period change during the Korean language program will not affect the scholarship period

for the degree program. In other words, even if a scholar's language program shortens to 6months instead of a year, the scholarship period that GKS supports for his or her degree program will remain the same (2 years for Master's degree and 3 years for Doctoral degree).

- o GKS scholars with TOPIK level 5 or 6
  - GKS scholars who have already received valid TOPIK level 5 or 6 at the time of applying are exempt from a yearlong Korean language program. Thus, the total scholarship period will be 2 years for Master's degree scholars and 3 years for Doctoral degree scholars.
  - Those who receive TOPIK level 5 or 6 within the first 6months of the Korean language program will be exempt from 6-month language training and must start their degree program in the following semester. The total scholarship period for these scholars will be shortened to 2.5 years for Master's degree scholars and 3.5 years for Doctoral degree scholars.

### IX. KOREAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

- All scholars, unless exempt, must take one year mandatory Korean Language Program at Korean language institutions assigned by NIIED.
- Exemption of the Korean Language Program
  - GKS scholars who have already received valid TOPIK level 5 or 6 at the time of applying are exempt from a yearlong Korean language program and must directly enroll in degree program.
  - GKS scholars who receive TOPIK level 5 or 6 within the first 6months of the Korean language program are exempt from the subsequent 6-month language training and must start their degree program in the following semester.
  - All applicants and scholars must submit valid TOPIK certificates to NIIED.
  - If one wishes to be exempt from the Korean language program, the 64<sup>th</sup> TOPIK score is
    the last TOPIK score one can report to NIIED to request for exemption from the
    Korean language program. One must submit the valid TOPIK certificate to NIIED and
    his or her university by end of June, 2020.
- Korean 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 should provide a variety of Korean cultural experiences in addition to offering focused and professional Korean language training

- Korean language institution for each GKS scholar will be announced along with the list of finally selected GKS scholars.
- GKS scholars cannot change their assigned Korean language institutions in any case.
- o GKS scholars must live on-campus during the Korean language program.
  - Most dormitory rooms are shared with roommates.
  - Accompanying family members is strictly forbidden during the Korean language program.
  - A scholar with a valid TOPIK level 3 or above may choose to live on- or off-campus.
- Prerequisites for proceeding to the degree program
  - ALL GKS scholars MUST achieve 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 IMPORTANCE NOTES

#### 1. Medical Insurance

- Universities and Korean language institutions will enroll in medical insurance plan on behalf of GKS scholars.
- The medical insurance plan will be effective immediately after one's arrival in Korea.
- The medical fees incurred during the insurance enrollment period will be reimbursed by the insurance company.
  - If a GKS scholar has to receive medical treatment, one must first pay for the medical bills and submit receipts to one's insurance company.
  - The insurance company will refund partial or full amount of the medical bills (depending
    on the insurance plan). It is GKS scholar's responsibility to check the insurance terms and
    policies provided to the scholar when one enrolls in the insurance plan.
- The medical insurance will not cover the expenses for dental care or chronic disease.

#### 2. Scholarship Withdrawal and Cancelation

- One who withdraws from the scholarship after being selected as a GKS scholar will NOT receive degree completion grants and airfare for returning back to one's country. However, a former GKS scholar who forfeited scholarship due to a scholar's failure to achieve TOPIK level 3 or above after completing Korean language program may be deemed eligible to reapply if a scholar receive TOPIK level 5 or above.
- o If a GKS scholar withdraws from the scholarship within the first 3months after entering Korea, one MUST return the full scholarship amount that he or she has received after being selected as GKS scholar. This will include the airfare from one's home country to Korea, settlement allowance, monthly allowance, language training fees, medical insurance fees, and etc.

- Former applicants who had withdrawn from the scholarship after being selected as GKS scholars in the past are strictly NOT eligible to apply.

#### 3. Restriction on changing universities and degree

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

#### 4. To applicants who are residing in Korea

O If you are selected as a GKS scholar while residing in Korea, it is your responsibility to take care of all the visa matters such as visa change, extension, and etc. You will have to check with the immigration's office ahead in order to prevent inconvenience and obstacles that may occur regarding visa issues. If a scholar has to go back to one's country for a visa change, you will have to pay for the airfare at your own expense.

### XI. CONTACT INFORMATION

#### 1. Jeonbuk National University (JBNU)

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# **Appendix A. GPA Conversion Table**

4.0 Scale	4.3 Scale	4.5 Scale	5.0 Scale	100 Points Scale
3.97 ~ 4.0	4.26 ~ 4.3	4.46 ~ 4.5	4.95 ~ 5.00	100
3.92 ~ 3.96	4.22 ~ 4.25	4.41 ~ 4.45	4.90 ~ 4.9	99
3.88 ~ 3.91	4.17 ~ 4.21	4.36 ~ 4.40	4.84 ~ 4.89	98
3.84 ~ 3.87	4.12 ~ 4.16	4.31 ~ 4.35	4.79 ~ 4.83	97
3.80 ~ 3.83	4.08 ~ 4.11	4.26 ~ 4.30	4.73 ~ 4.78	96
3.75 ~ 3.79	4.03 ~ 4.07	4.21 ~ 4.25	4.68 ~ 4.72	95
3.71 ~ 3.74	3.98 ~ 4.02	4.16 ~ 4.20	4.62 ~ 4.67	94
3.67 ~ 3.70	3.93 ~ 3.97	4.11 ~ 4.15	4.57 ~ 4.61	93
3.62 ~ 3.66	3.89 ~ 3.92	4.06 ~ 4.10	4.51 ~ 4.56	92
3.58 ~ 3.61	3.84 ~ 3.88	4.01 ~ 4.05	4.45 ~ 4.50	91
3.49 ~ 3.57	3.75 ~ 3.83	3.91 ~ 4.00	4.34 ~ 4.44	90
3.41 ~ 3.48	3.65 ~ 3.74	3.81 ~ 3.90	4.23 ~ 4.33	89
3.32 ~ 3.40	3.56 ~ 3.64	3.71 ~ 3.80	4.12 ~ 4.22	88
3.24 ~ 3.31	3.46 ~ 3.55	3.61 ~ 3.70	4.01 ~ 4.11	87
3.15 ~ 3.23	3.37 ~ 3.45	3.51 ~ 3.60	3.90 ~ 4.00	86
3.07 ~ 3.14	3.27 ~ 3.36	3.41 ~ 3.50	3.79 ~ 3.89	85
2.98 ~ 3.06	3.18 ~ 3.26	3.31 ~ 3.40	3.68 ~ 3.78	84
2.90 ~ 2.97	3.09 ~ 3.17	3.21 ~ 3.30	3.57 ~ 3.67	83
2.81 ~ 2.89	2.99 ~ 3.08	3.11 ~ 3.20	3.45 ~ 3.56	82
2.72 ~ 2.80	2.90 ~ 2.98	3.01 ~ 3.10	3.34 ~ 3.44	81
2.64 ~ 2.71	2.80 ~ 2.89	2.91 ~ 3.00	3.23 ~ 3.33	80