2024 Global Korea Scholarship

Application Guidelines for Graduate Degrees

2024. 2.

2024 Global Korea Scholarship
Application Guidelines for Graduate Degrees

I. Program Objectioves

◦ Global Korea Scholarship is designed to provide international students with opportunities to study at higher educational institutions in Korea at graduate-level degrees, which will enhance international education exchange and deepen mutual friendship between Korea and participating countries.

◦ As Korean Government Scholarship Programs have been integrated and branded as Global Korea Scholarship in 2010, the name is changed to **GKS** (Global Korea Scholarship).

2. Invited Countries and Quota
- Graduate Degree 75 students

Section	University Track			Note
	General	R-GKS	R&D*	
Qutoa	Max 20	Min 40	15	

*R&D: Chemistry, Healthcared Engineering, Software Engineering, Electronic Engineering

3. Course and Scholarship Period

Course	Master's Degree	Doctoral Degree	Note
Period	1 year of Korean language program + 2 years of degree program	1 year of Korean language program + 3 years of degree program	

4. Schedule

No	Schedule	Date	Note
1	Application	Apr 5th, 2024 18:00	- All documents must be submitted in person or by post(Not E-mail)
		Where to submit: <Recipient: GKS Graduate Degree Coordination> (Postal code 54896) Office of International Affairs, 567 Baekje-daero, Deokjin-gu, Jeonju-si, Jeollabuk-do, Republic of Koera	
2	Documnets Screening	Apr. 6th, 2024 - Apr. 10th	
3	Department Screening	Apr. 11st, 2024 - Apr. 17th	
4	Inerview	Apr. 18th, 2024 - Apr. 24th	
5	Announcement of Accepted Applicants	Apr. 26th, 2024	- On the Website
6	Recommendation Deadline	Apr. 28th, 2024	- Universtiy → NIIED
7	Final Selection	End. June, 2024	- NIIED

5. Department

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Natural Science	Nursing	O	O	X
Engineering	IT Applied Systems Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Architecture and Urban Engineering	X	O	X
Engineering	Architecture Engineering	O	X	X
Engineering	Metallurgical Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Mechanical Design Engineering	O	O	X

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Engineering	Mechanical System Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Nano Semiconductors and Displays	O	O	X
Engineering	Nano Convergence Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Urban Engineering	O	X	X
Engineering	Design and Manufacturing	O	O	X
Engineering	Mechatronics Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Bio·Nano System Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Bio·nano Convergence Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Semiconductor and Chemical Engineering (SemiconductorEngineering,ChemicalEngineering)	O	O	X
Engineering	Industrial System Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Bioprocess Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Software Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Energy Engineering	O	O	O
Engineering	Energy Storage·Conversion Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Mineral Resources and Energy Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Materials Science and Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Electrical Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Electronic Engineering	O	O	O
Engineering	Computer Science and Engineering	O	O	X

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Engineering	Electronic Information Materials Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Carbon Materials & Fiber Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Civil Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Applied Plasma & Quantum Beam Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Aerospace Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Healthcare Engineering	O	O	O
Engineering	Environment Engineering	O	O	X
Engineering	Environment and Energy	O	O	X
Artificial Intelligence(AI)	Integrated Energy-AI	O	O	X
Natural Science	Agricultural Engineering	O	O	X
Natural Science	Agricultural Biology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Agricultural Economics	O	O	X
Natural Science	Agriculture and Convergence Technology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Agronomy	O	O	X
Natural Science	Agriculture Chemistry	O	O	X
Natural Science	Wood Science Technology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Food science & technology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Horticulture	O	O	X
Natural Science	Landscape Architecture	O	O	X
Natural Science	Animal science	O	O	X

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Humanities	Law	O	O	X
Education	Science Education	X	O	X
Education	Biology Education	O	X	X
Education	Chemistry Education	O	X	X
Education	Education	O	O	X
Education	Korean Language Education	O	X	X
Education	Mathematics Education	O	O	X
Education	Language and Literature Education	X	O	X
Education	English Education	X	O	X
Education	Cognitive Science	O	O	X
Social Science	Media and Communication Studies	O	O	X
Social Science	Social Welfare	O	O	X
Social Science	Sociology	O	O	X
Social Science	Psychology	O	O	X
Social Science	Political Science	O	O	X
Social Science	Public Administration	O	O	X
Social Science	Business Administration	O	O	X
Social Science	Economics	O	O	X
Social Science	International Trade	O	O	X
Social Science	International Cyber Trade and Area Study	O	X	X

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Social Science	Accounting	O	O	X
Natural Science	Human Ecology	X	O	X
Natural Science	Food Science & Human Nutrition	O	O	X
Natural Science	Child & family studies	O	O	X
Natural Science	Fashion Design	O	X	X
Natural Science	Housing Environmental Design	O	O	X
Natural Science	Pharmacy	O	O	X
Medicine	Medicine	O	O	X
Medicine	Clinical Speech Pathology	O	O	X
Medicine	Medical Science	O	O	X
Medicine	Dental Science	O	O	X
Medicine	Dentistry	O	O	X
Humanities	Archaeology and Cultural Anthropology	O	O	X
Humanities	Korean Language and Literature	O	O	X
Humanities	Records, Archives, and Information Science	O	O	X
Humanities	German Studies	O	O	X
Humanities	Intangible Heritage & Information	O	O	X
Humanities	Library and Information Science	O	O	X
Humanities	Spanish & Latin American Studies	O	X	X

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Humanities	English Language and Literature	O	O	X
Humanities	Japanese Studies	O	O	X
Humanities	Chinese Language and Literature	O	O	X
Humanities	Philosophy	O	O	X
Humanities	French and African Studies	O	O	X
Humanities	Korean Language as a Second Language Education	O	X	X
Natural Science	Science Studies	O	O	X
Natural Science	Nanoscience and Technology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Physics	O	O	X
Natural Science	Molecular Biology	O	X	X
Natural Science	Bioactive Materials	O	O	X
Natural Science	Biology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Mathematics	O	O	X
Natural Science	Sports Science	O	O	X
Natural Science	Earth and Environmental Sciences	O	O	X
Natural Science	Statistics	O	O	X
Natural Science	Chemistry	O	O	O
Medicine	Veterinary Medicine	O	O	X
Natural Science	Life Style Medicine	O	O	X
Natural Science	Biotechnology	O	O	X

Field of Study (Division)	Department	Masters'	Doctoral	R&D
Natural Science	Ecology Landscape Architecture-Design	O	O	X
Natural Science	Environmental Biotechnology	O	O	X
Natural Science	Oriental Medicine Resource	O	X	X
Engineering	Convergence Technology Engineering	O	O	X
Entertainment & Sports	Dance	O	X	X
Entertainment & Sports	Fine Arts	O	O	X
Entertainment & Sports	Industrial Design	O	X	X
Entertainment & Sports	Music	O	O	X
Entertainment & Sports	Physical Education	O	O	X
Entertainment & Sports	Korean Music	O	O	X

6. ELIGIBILITY

◈ Nationality

All applicants must hold citizenship of NIIED designated countries that are invited to take part in the GKS program

Applicants' parents (or legal guardians) must hold citizenship from another country other than Korea. If applicants or their parent hold dual citizenship (one who has both Korean citizenship and citizenship of another country), such applicant is NOT eligible to apply

Applicants and their parents who had previously held Korean citizenship must submit documentation issued by the Korean government that proves their renunciation of Korean citizenship

If an applicant's citizenship is changed during the selection process, he or she will be excluded from the evaluation. (Not applicable to R&D program)

For Overseas Korean applicants in an embassy track holding Japanese citizenship, if their parents hold 'Permanent Residency Permit' within Japan while holding Korean citizenship, they are exceptionally eligible to apply

Applicants from all countries around the world can apply to R&D program

Program		Minimum Level of Education	Notes
Degree	Master's	Bachelor's Degree	
	Doctoral	Master's Degree	

◈ Grades

Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of the entire curriculum from the previous degree program* must meet one of the conditions below;

* For example, previous degree for a doctoral degree program applicant is a master's degree program

Score percentile should be 80% or above on a 100-point scale or be ranked in the top 20% of one's class

CGPA must be equal to or above 2.64/4.0, 2.80/4.3, 2.91/4.5 or 3.23/5.0

Applicants must submit an academic transcript with CGPA or ranking information
If a transcript does not provide CGPA in any one of the accepted GPA scales (4.0, 4.3, 4.5, 5.0 or 100 point scale), then the applicant must submit a transcript converted into one of the above GPA scales as a supplementary document

◈ Age

Must be under 40 years of age (born after September 1, 1984)
Academic professors in one of the Official Development Assistance (ODA) recipients* who are under 45 years of age (born after September 1, 1978) are eligible to apply.
* DAC List of ODA Recipients on 2022 and 2023 flows (www.oecd.org)

< ODA Recipients (105 countries) >

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde Cambodia, Cameroon, China, Colombia, Common Wealth of Dominica, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Cuba, Dominican Republic, DR Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Vietnam, Zambia, Zimbabwe

◆ Health

All applicants must be in good health, both mentally and physically, to study in Korea for the full duration of the program.

■ Restriction

◆ A person who has graduated (or is expected to graduate) from a Korean high school (including international schools) or a Korean university is NOT eligible to apply

A person who has graduated from an online curriculum from a Korean high school or a Korean university cannot apply

A person who is currently in his/her final year at a Korean university cannot apply

◆ A person who has previously received scholarship for a degree program from the Korean government is NOT eligible to apply

A person who had previously enrolled at a degree program through a Korean government sponsored scholarship program other than the NIIED administered scholarship program cannot apply

A previous GKS scholar whose scholarship was cancelled after their enrollment cannot apply

'Cancellation of Scholarship' means a GKS scholar either withdrew from the program or his/her scholarship was forfeited due to cumulative warnings, etc. during their scholarship period

A previous GKS scholar who had received scholarships from GKS Non-degree program for exchange students CAN apply

(Exception) Previous GKS scholars who meet all the additional criteria below are eligible to apply
- CGPA or a score percentile must be 90% or above on a 100-point scale or be ranked in the top 10% of one's class
- Must hold TOPIK level 5 or 6
- Previous GKS scholars can participate in the GKS program once more only in a higher degree program*
- Bachelor's → Master's / Master's → Doctoral

Prior Notice
Starting from the 2025 GKS degree program, previous GKS scholars can no longer reapply for the GKS degree program

◆ Final successful candidates of the GKS degree program from the past three years who have withdrawn from the program or was disqualified from the program prior to enrollment cannot apply

◆ Duplicate Submission

Embassy track candidates (including reserve candidates) who passed the first round of

selection cannot apply again through a university track

Embassy track applicants must apply to only one program among General, Overseas Korean, International Reconstruction Talent program

University track applicants must apply to only one program among General, R-GKS, International Reconstruction Talent, Global Network, R&D and Research program

University track applicants must apply to only one department per university

Duplicate submissions will be disregarded in the evaluation. If found afterwards, scholarship will be cancelled even after the evaluation is completed.

< Applicants must check additional restrictions or eligibility set by each university >

Please check if there is any additional eligibility set by each university/department

All GKS scholars should achieve TOPIK level 3 to proceed to their degree program. However, some university departments may have additional requirements (e.g., TOPIK level 4) for enrollment. Please be mindful about these requirements set by each university/department. If you do not meet these requirements and fail to enroll in the university, your scholarship will be cancelled

Please check the enrollment period set by each degree university/department

Scholars whose Korean language program is delayed (e.g., return after a leave of absence) must check if their degree program is only available to start at a certain period of time. For example, if a specific department or major only allows students to start their first semester in September, relevant scholars may not be able to enroll in the degree program in March

6. DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT

■ List of Documents to Submit

Type	No.	Application Documents	Master's	Doctoral
Documents to complete (Required)	1	(form 1) Application Form	Required	Required
	2	(form 2) Personal Statement	Required	Required
	3	(form 3) Study Plan	Required	Required
	4	(form 4) Research Proposal (only applicable for research program applicants)		
	5	(form 5) ONE Letter of Recommendation	Required	Required
	6	(form 6) Letter of Invitation (issued by the research program university)		
	7	(form 7) GKS Applicant Agreement	Required	Required
	8	(form 8) Personal Medical Assessment	Required	Required
	9	(form 9) Consent to Collect and Use Personal Information	Required	Required
Certificates (Required) Must be Apostilled or Consular confirmed *Required for relevant applicants	10	Applicant's/Parent(s)' Proof of Citizenship and family relationship Document	Required	Required
	11	Bachelor's Graduation Certificate (or Diploma)	Required	Required
	11'	Bachelor's Degree Transcript	Required	Required
	12	Master's Graduation Certificate (or Diploma)		Required
	12'	Master's Degree Transcript		Required
	13	Doctoral Graduation Certificate (or Diploma) – only applicable for postdoctoral Research program applicants		
	13'	Doctoral Degree Transcript – only applicable for postdoctoral Research program applicants		
	14	Certificate of Employment – only applicable for. professionals under research program		
	15*	Proof of Overseas Korean Document/ Proof of Korean Adoptee Document	Optional	Optional
	16*	Proof of Korean Citizenship Renunciation Document – applicant and his/her parent(s)	Optional	Optional
	17*	Proof of Korean War Veteran's Descendant	Optional	Optional
	18*	Certificates of Employment or Working Experience – only applicable for Global Network program Applicants	Optional	
Other documents (Optional)	19	Score report of valid TOPIK (original) or English Proficiency Test (copy)	Optional	Optional
	20	Awards and other certificates, etc. (copy)	Optional	Optional
	21	Applicant's Passport (copy)	Optional	Optional

■ Documentation Requirements

◆ **Documents to be submitted by Evaluation Stage**

Application documents for the FIRST round of selection (embassy/university)

Documents to complete* and Required certificates**
Submission requirements: set by each embassy/university (e.g., whether they accept photocopies, electronic files, documents without certified translation for the first round of selection)
Number of documents to submit: set by each embassy/university
* Documents to complete: Application, Personal Statement, Study Plan, Research Proposal, Letter of Recommendation, Letter of Invitation (Research Program), Applicant Agreement, Personal Medical Assessment, Consent to Collect and Use Personal Information
** Required certificates: Graduation certificate, Academic transcript, Proof of citizenship, Proof of overseas Koreans, etc.
All application documents sent to NIIED for the second round of selection must meet the submission requirements for the second round described in the following box

Application documents for the SECOND round of selection (NIIED)

Documents to complete
Submission requirements: All forms must be filled in English or Korean with applicant's original handwritten signature
No need to be apostilled or consular confirmed
Number of documents to submit
Embassy Track: ONE set of original documents + THREE sets of photocopies
University Track: ONE set of original documents

Required certificates
Submission requirements
Documents written in English or Korean: must be apostilled or consular confirmed
Documents written in other languages:
Must be submitted together with a certified translation in English or Korean
Must be apostilled or consular confirmed (either original document or certified translation)
If your country belongs to one of the member countries for the Apostille Convention, submit your 'required certificates' with apostille.

Number of documents to submit
Embassy Track: ONE set of apostilled/consular confirmed documents + THREE sets of photocopies
University Track: ONE set of apostilled/consular confirmed documents

◆ **Things to note when submitting application documents**
Application documents for the FIRST round of selection
All documents must be submitted in English or Korean

Each embassy/university may modify documentation requirements at their own discretion*

One letter of Recommendation* must be prepared and submitted by applicant* Signed and sealed by your supervisor, dean or professional in the field of your desired study

* Applicants should check with the embassy/university for detailed information on application submission

Application documents for the SECOND round of selection

Successful candidates of the first round must meet the submission requirements for the second round

If any of the required documents are not submitted or if any of the application forms are submitted without applicant's signature, his or her application documents may be excluded from evaluation

All application materials submitted to NIIED will NOT BE RETURNED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES

If a university requires additional documents (e.g., portfolio), applicants must submit those materials directly to the university

◈ Requirements for each submitted document

Documents to Submit	Submission Requirement
Proof of Citizenship and Family Relationship	− Official certificates such as birth certificate or family register issued by a government that proves family relationship between an applicant and his/her parents and their citizenship status If one cannot submit necessary documents due to an absence of their parent(s) −e.g., divorced or deceased − please provide additional documents (e.g., divorce certificate or death certificate) that explains the reason for not submitting their proof of citizenship Chinese applicants can submit a household register or a certificate of kinship. Consular confirmation is required. If the document is written in Chinese, submit a certified translation as well − If applicants' or their parents' citizenship information is not indicated in the above documents, then submit valid passport copies (do not need to be apostilled or consular confirmed) as supplementary documents Ethnic group, birth place, or current residency in the submitted documents are not accepted as a proof of citizenship If passport is not available, please submit other government issued document (need to be apostilled or consular confirmed) or a copy of an ID card that clearly indicates citizenship information (does not need to be apostilled or consular confirmed) as supplementary document If supplementary documents submitted in addition to a birth certificate or a

Documents to Submit	Submission Requirement
	family register are not reliable, such application may be put at a disadvantage during evaluation
Certificate of Graduation	- Submit a graduation certificate, degree certificate or a diploma that indicates the date of graduation (or degree acquisition date). - Applicants who are expected to graduate by July 31st, 2024 can also apply for the program with a certificate of expected graduation. Such applicants must submit their official graduation certificate (or diploma) and final academic transcript to GKS Center, NIIED by July 31st, 2024. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of your acceptance. - Must submit a certificate officially issued by the university of previous degree program (latest degree certificate is mandatory and others are optional) Applicants who graduated from a university in China are recommended to submit a degree certificate issued by CDGDC (www.cdgdc.edu.cn). If the document is written in Chinese, submit a certified translation as well
Academic Transcript	- Submit an academic transcript officially issued by the university of your previous degree - Applicants who are expected to graduate by July 31st, 2024 can also apply for the program with a certificate of expected graduation. Such applicants must submit their official graduation certificate (or diploma) and final academic transcript to GKS Center, NIIED by July 31st, 2024. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of your acceptance. - If the CGPA is not indicated in one of the acknowledged GPA scales (4.0, 4.3, 4.5, 5.0 or 100 point scale), submit a transcript converted into one of the above GPA scales as a supplementary document A converted transcript is only valid when the relevant university officially confirmed the document (this supplementary document does not need to be apostilled or consular confirmed, but should be submitted as the original copy with university's authentication) A transcript converted with a conversion tool such as scholaro.com or wes.org is only acceptable when the relevant university officially confirms the document (does not need to be apostilled or consular confirmed, but should be authenticated by the university)

Documents to Submit	Submission Requirement
	Application without converted transcript may be put at a disadvantage during evaluation - Transcript indicated with a CGPA for the entire academic curriculum will be accepted even if it does not have GPA per semester/year In such case, please put CGPA only and leave the GPA section empty in the application form Academic transcript without a CGPA or without ranking information may be put at a disadvantage during evaluation - For students who have transferred universities, If the transcript does not include the grades of the previous semester(s), submit an academic record of the previous university as a supplementary document (need to be apostilled or consular confirmed)
Proof of Overseas Korean or Adoptee	- Submit supporting documents such as family register or birth certificate that proves family relationship between an applicant and his/her lineal ascendant
Proof of Korean Citizenship Renunciation	- Submit supporting document issued by the Korean government that indicates details on the definite loss of Korean citizenship and its date. An application or a receipt for renunciation of Korean citizenship is not accepted
Proof of Korean War Veteran's Descendant	- Certificate that are officially issued by the government that certifies the lineal ascendant of an applicant was a veteran who participated in the Korean War as a foreign military - Submit supporting documents such as family register or birth certificate that proves family relationship between an applicant and his/her lineal ascendant
Score Report of Korean or English Proficiency Test	- Submit if necessary (optional) - Korean: TOPIK TOPIK certificates from the 81st to the 93rd exam will be recognized as valid certificates Submit an original printed copy of TOPIK score report from the official website (topik.go.kr)

Documents to Submit	Submission Requirement
	− English: TOEFL, IELTS (the expiration date of the certificate must be February 29, 2024 or later) Submit an original printed copy of the test score report from the official website
Other Materials	− Submit if necessary (optional) − Submit materials such as an award that can prove the applicant's activities described in the personal statement and study plan. Submit in photocopied documents. (Do not need to be apostilled or consular confirmed)
Passport Copy	− Submit if necessary (optional) − Submit a passport copy as a supplementary document if the proof of citizenship (family register, birth certificate, etc.) does not clearly indicate citizenship information

< Items to Note on Apostille (or Consular Confirmation) >

Required Certificates (refer to 'List of Documents to Submit' section) must be apostilled (or consular confirmed)
If your document is unable to be re-issued, please keep the original and obtain an apostille (or consular confirmation) on a notarized copy
Simple photocopies or notarized copies of the apostilled (or consular confirmed) documents are NOT accepted. However, a certified true copy (등본 인증) issued by a Korean embassy or a certified true copy issued by a government agency that initially issued the original apostille document are accepted
If the document cannot be apostilled or consular confirmed (e.g., because the type of document is not subject to apostille), applicants must obtain a certified true copy (등본 인증) from the apostille issuing government authority or from the Korean embassy on a notarized copy. If the authenticity of the submitted document is unclear, such application may be put at a disadvantage during evaluation

If an applicant graduated from a third country, he or she may obtain a consular confirmation from the Korean embassy of the relevant country for the graduation certificate and academic transcript
Required certificates that are issued in digital format must also be apostilled (or consular confirmed)

If there is an expiration date on an apostilled or consular confirmed document, the validity of the document will be judged based on the date indicated on the authentication. If there is no specific date indicated, the document will be accepted if it was submitted within 2 years from the date of authentication

7. APPLICATIOPN AND EVALUATION

Please check the website of each embassy/university

Applicants who did not pass the first round of embassy track* may apply to a university track**

* Successful candidates (including reserve candidate) of the embassy track cannot reapply to a university track
** Such applicants must check if they can meet the application deadline at the desired university

◈ Items to Note when filling out the Application Form

[Both Embassy Track and University Track]

Applicants must put the official name of the university/department they are applying to
Applicants can only apply among the universities and departments listed in the "University Information" file. If an incorrect department is written on an application, such application may be disqualified during evaluations
Applicant's English name MUST match the name on their passport
Any discrepancy in applicant's name (family, given, middle name) will cause a delay in visa processing
Applicants must check the completeness and authenticity of all application documents
Application documents must be submitted in the order of the "Application Checklist." which itself should be the front cover of each set of application documents. Please number and label each document on the top right corner

(e.g.)	11. Bachelor's Graduation Certificate
(Consular confirmed)	

All documents should be submitted as A4 sized (or letter sized)
If a document is smaller than A4 sized (or letter sized) document, attach it on a blank A4 sized paper. If a document is larger than a A4 size paper, fold the document into A4 size

[Embassy Track]

Embassy track applicants must check the following when filling in desired universities
Applicants can choose up to THREE different universities
Applicants cannot choose three different departments from a single university

Of the chosen universities, at least one university must be from Type B universities

If applicants fill out a Type A university in a Type B section, their application may be excluded from evaluation

Please be reminded that if applicants choose all three universities among highly competitive universities, even if they pass the second round of selection, some can fail* from all three universities in their final round of selection

* 2018(41), 2019(39), 2020(52), 2021(53), 2022(57), 2023(52 candidates)

[University Track]

University track applicants should list ONE university on their application

■ Evaluation

◈ Main Points of Evaluation

Review of Qualifications: Selection committee will conduct document examination (citizenship, level of education, academic grades, etc.) and verify whether an applicant is qualified for the program

Review of Competency: Selection committee will evaluate each applicant's competency through document examination and oral interview*

* There is no oral interview in the second round of selection at NIIED

Vacancies: In both embassy and university track, if vacancies occur in the second round of selection at NIIED due to insufficient number of recommended candidates or due to the candidate's ineligibility, candidates from other countries or programs may fill the vacancy

Authenticity Check: If necessary, NIIED may inquire about the facts within the application materials to the relevant governments and universities

◈ Additional Points

Applicants who hold a TOPIK level 3 or above will be given additional points (10% of the total allocated points)

Direct descendants of Korean War veterans who participated in the Korean War as a foreign military will be given additional points (5% of the total allocated points)

Prior Notice

The notice below is effective starting from 2024 GKS Selection (both first and second round of selection)

Applicants will receive additional points based on language proficiency in Korean and English

Korean: points will be given to applicants with valid TOPIK certificate based on their TOPIK level

English: points will be given to applicants with valid English proficiency certificate based on their test scores (TOEFL, IELTS, etc.)

<Points per Language Proficiency Test >

Test / Points	TOPIK	TOEFL iBT	IELTS
100%	Level 5, 6	–	–
90%	Level 4	114 and above	8.0 and above
80%	Level 3	95 and above	7.0 and above
70%	Level 2	72 and above	6.0 and above
60%	Level 1	42 and above	5.0 and above

※ Using ETS Conversion table

※ If there is no submission of the language proficiency tests above, a personal statement and study plan will be reviewed instead.

※ If you submit two or more score reports, only the highest score will be recognized.

◆ Evaluation Preference

Overseas Koreans with no Korean citizenship

Applicants from low-income families or underprivileged background

Applicants who applied for a natural science and engineering department in a Regional (Type Ⅱ B) university

Applicants who are currently teaching as a professor in a natural science and engineering department or in one of the ODA recipient countries listed in section 4

Applicants who submit a high score of language proficiency test (TOPIK, TOEFL, IELTS)

Postdoctoral Research Program applicant in a natural science and engineering department

8. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT
■ Final Announcement
◆ Announcement of Final Successful Candidates

Embassy Track applicants who pass the 3rd round of selections should notify their final choice of university to NIIED via email by June 14, 2024

One cannot change their choice of university after the final decision is made

If a candidate disqualifies from all three universities in the third round of selection, he or she will be excluded from the final selection

Applicants who are expected to graduate at the time of application or applied with a provisional graduation (or degree) certificate must submit the authenticated official graduation certificate by July 31, 2024 to NIIED. Each university should send NIIED a scanned copy of the documents by July 31, 2024. Please send hard copies to NIIED to the address below:

GKS Center (Selection Dept. of 2024 GKS-G)
191 Jeongjail-ro, Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do, 13557, Rep. of Korea

Indicate your specific information (nationality, track, university, etc.) next to your name

Among the successful candidates of the second round (university track) or the third round (embassy track), those who newly achieved TOPIK level 5 or 6 should send their TOPIK certificate to NIIED via email by June 14, 2024

NIIED will classify those who have obtained TOPIK level 5~6 as those who will enter the degree program. All other successful candidates must take the Korean language program

TOPIK certificates from the 81st to the 93rd exam will be recognized as valid certificates

NIIED will notify the list of final successful candidates to embassies and universities and post the final announcement on the Study in Korea website (www.studyinkorea.go.kr) by late June
Final successful candidates will receive invitation letters and guidance on entry from NIIED

■ Important Notes for Successful Candidates
◈ Final Successful Candidates' withdrawal

If a final successful candidate wishes to withdraw from the program after the final announcement, he or she should submit a signed letter of scholarship renunciation (free form) to the embassy/university that conducted the first round of selection

Once a scholarship is renounced, it cannot be reversed. Final Successful Candidates who renounce their scholarship before the enrollment cannot reapply for the GKS program for the next three years.

The repeated case of renunciation will cause a decrease in the number of country quota in the future

◈ Graduation Certificate

Applicants who are expected to graduate by July 31st, 2024 can also apply for the program with a certificate of expected graduation. Such applicants must submit their official graduation certificate (or diploma) and final academic transcript to GKS Center, NIIED by July 31st, 2024. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of your acceptance.

Selected GKS scholars should prepare multiple copies of apostilled or consular confirmed graduation certificate before their entry to Korea. Scholars need to submit their authenticated certificate to the degree university (for an issuance of Standard Admission Letter), to the embassy (for visa issuance), and to the Korean immigration office (for a renewal or an update of their status of residence in Korea)

GKS scholars who wish to proceed to their degree program after the Korean language program may need to return to their home country for a certificate reissuance if the required documents are not prepared in advance.

All application materials submitted to NIIED will NOT BE RETURNED IN ANY CASE. (Application documents must be archived at NIIED for a minimum of 5 years)

◈ Final Successful Candidates residing in Korea

Final successful candidates who have Korean residence visa (D-4, D-2, etc.) may not be able to receive a new visa for their Korean language program or degree program in Korea*

* To avoid any visa related issues, after the final announcement, final successful candidates who are residing in Korea should contact the Immigration office immediately to inquire about a new visa. Your inquiry should entail the necessary procedure and required documents in obtaining a new visa

Entry airfare will NOT be provided to newly selected scholars who are residing in Korea at the time of the final announcement

◈ Check applicable Laws and Regulations

Final successful candidates must fully familiarize themselves with immigration and residency laws, academic regulations of NIIED and each academic institution

Academic regulations of each University	Refer to university website
Visa and Immigration	www.immigration.go.kr
	www.hikorea.go.kr

◈ Entry Support to Korea

Each university will purchase economy class one-way flight tickets on behalf of the selected scholars

If a scholar purchases the flight ticket due to unavoidable circumstances, the airfare will be reimbursed by the university after entering Korea

On applicants' initial arrival to Korea, any domestic travel fees within a GKS scholar's home country

Entry airfare or visa application support will NOT be provided to scholars who enter Korea from a country other than the scholar's own country of citizenship

The round trip airfare will not be provided to GKS scholars selected in China and Czech Republic in accordance with the agreement made between Korean government and the governments of two countries

9. SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

■ Scholarship Period

◈ Master's Degree Program: 3 years
  1 year of Korean language program + 2 years of degree program

◈ Doctoral Degree Program: 4 years
  1 year of Korean language program + 3 years of degree program

◈ Important Notes regarding Scholarship Period

Research and Global Network program scholars, all scholars who obtained TOPIK level 5 or 6 will be exempt from a Korean language program

Those who receive TOPIK level 5 or 6 within the first 6 months of the Korean language program will be exempt from the remaining 6-month language program and must start their degree program in the following semester (March 2025)

■ Scholarship Benefits

Scholarship	Airfare	Tuition	Korean Language Training Fee	Study Incentive
Recipient	All GKS Scholars	GKS Scholars in Degree Program	GKS Scholars in Korean language Program	All GKS Scholars
Benefits	Economy class flight ticket (actual expense)	NIIED: up to 5 million KRW University: amount that exceeds 5 million KRW, Admission fee	: 5.2 million KRW (four semesters)	Korean language program: 14,100,000 KRW per year Graduate Degree program: 15,700,000 KRW per year

Study Incentive : All-inclusive subsidy of Settlement Allowance, Monthly Allowance, Research Allowance, Korean Proficiency Grants, TOPIK Application Fee, Degree Completion Grants, Medical Insurance, and Publication Printing Fee

GKS Scholars who will be exempted the Korean language program with TOPIK level 5 or 6 will be given Korean Proficiency Grants automatically.

◆ Important Notes regarding Scholarship Benefits

If a GKS scholar withdraws from the scholarship within the first 3 months after the enrollment to their university, one MUST return the full scholarship amount that he or she has received after being selected as a GKS scholar (entry airfare, settlement allowance, monthly allowance, tuition, etc.)

Even if 3 months have passed since entering Korea, if the scholarship status changes, part of the already paid scholarship can be refunded or can be deducted from the next payment

Korean Language Training Fee and Korean Proficiency Grants are not provided to GKS scholars in Research Programs

Korean Language Training Fee is not provided to GKS scholars in Global Network Programs

9. Contacts

Type	Contents
Address	Lee Se Hoon Office of International Affairs 567 Baekje-daero, Deokjin-gu, Jeonju-si, Jeonbuk State, 54896
Tel	+82-63-270-4757
Fax	+82-63-270-2099
E-mail	gratia@jbnu.ac.kr
Homepage	https://ioffice.jbnu.ac.kr/ioffice/index.do

■ University Track

◆ General: 375 scholars from 57 countries or regions

R-GKS: 630 scholars from 59 countries or regions

No.	Country /Region	Quota General	R-GKS	Total	No.	Country /Region	Quota General	R-GKS	Total
1	Algeria	3	5	8	34	Moldova	3	1	4
2	Armenia	1	1	2	35	Mongolia	20	53	73
3	Azerbaijan	7	2	9	36	Morocco		3	3
4	Bangladesh	3	24	27	37	Myanmar	18	43	61
5	Belarus	5	2	7	38	Nepal	5	3	8
6	Belize	1	1	2	39	Nigeria	5	6	11
7	Bolivia	1		1	40	Pakistan	5	19	24
8	Brazil	5	8	13	41	Peru	3	1	4
9	Brunei	1	2	3	42	Philippines	16	42	58
10	Bulgaria	1		1	43	Poland	3	4	7
11	Cambodia	18	24	42	44	Romania	1	1	2
12	Cameroon	3	11	14	45	Russia	17	23	40
13	Colombia	2	2	4	46	Rwanda	2	6	8
14	Costa Rica	1		1	47	Senegal	3		3
15	Egypt	2	3	5	48	Sierra Leone	1		1
16	El Salvador	1		1	49	Singapore	8	5	13
17	Ethiopia		19	4	50	Slovakia	1		1
18	Georgia	1		1	51	Sri Lanka	3	10	13
19	Germany	1	1	2	52	Sudan	1	1	2
20	Ghana		8	8	53	Taiwan		1	1
21	Hungary	2	1	3	54	Tajikistan	6	3	9
22	India	13	12	25	55	Tanzania	3	6	9
23	Indonesia	27	72	99	56	Thailand	16	13	29
24	Iran	3	8	11	57	Turkey	3	8	11
25	Italy	2	2	4	58	Turkmenistan		5	5
26	Kazakhstan	18	25	43	59	Uganda	3	2	5
27	Kenya	1		1	60	Ukraine	7	3	10
28	Kyrgyzstan	8	4	12	61	United Arab Emirates		2	2
29	Laos	9	4	13		USA		6	6
30	Liberia	2		2	62	Uzbekistan	20	8	28
31	Lithuania	2	1	3	63	Vietnam	25	13	38
32	Malaysia	23	11	34	64	Zambia	1		1
33	Mauritania	1	1	2		Total	375	630	1005
34	Mexico	5	19	24					

R-GKS Preference: Recommendation from local governments & universities participating in RISE project, Education Specialization Zone project

IRT Preference: Recommendation from the Government of Ukraine

Vacancies: In both embassy and university track, if vacancies occur in the second round of selection at NIIED due to insufficient number of recommended candidates or due to the candidate's ineligibility, candidates from other countries or programs may fill the vacancy

C.G.P.A. 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 ~ 4.94	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