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Inspiring Future, Grand Challenge

SKKU



SUNG KYUNKWAN UNIVERSITY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

“Inspiring Future, Grand Challenge”

Based on the 627 years of history and tradition, SKKU will create its own brand through innovative cooperation and strategical works to become a globally renowned university.

Sungkyunkwan University is a private, coeducational research university with 627 years of glorious history and shining tradition and is a representative symbol of a leading university which leads the new era. At the same time, the university has led the development of higher education in Korea by challenging and innovating with a mind for sharing and coexistence. We strive to newly form our own brand worthy of our name which actively embraces global social issues through pioneering of global management.

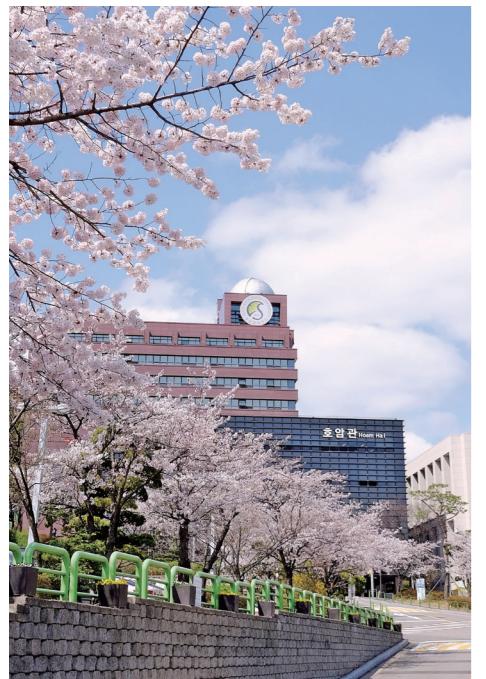
Facing the grand challenges of our society, we will solve its problems and answer the questions of our times by implementing careful and detailed “innovative cooperation and strategic works.”

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

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

Ji-Beom Yoo

President of Sungkyunkwan University



Student Group Chunrang (Blue Wave)

Seoul

HUMANITIES &

SOCIAL SCIENCES CAMPUS



COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

- University College
- College of Confucian Studies and Eastern Philosophy
- College of Liberal Arts
- Law School
- College of Social Sciences
- College of Economics
- SKK Business School
- College of Education
- School of Art



SEOUL CAMPUS

25-2 Sungkyunkwan-ro,
Jongno-gu, Seoul 03063,
South Korea

The campus is located inside the original city wall, which defined the boundaries of the old capital during the Joseon Dynasty. It overlooks Changdeokgung, the UNESCO World Heritage Site and the most well preserved royal palace in Korea. Like Seoul, our university grew rapidly, and an expansion was needed to build the modern campus. When expanding, the science programs were moved to Suwon and the humanities and social sciences programs remained at this campus.

SKKU's modern Natural Sciences Campus was established in Suwon in 1978. It is accessible via shuttle bus and public transit in a little less than an hour. When the new campus was built, the idea of a dual campus system was revolutionary in Korean higher education. Some comprehensive universities located in big cities have tried to meet the need for expansion by founding a separate, usually smaller school in an outlying rural area.

COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

- College of Sciences
- College of Information and Communication Engineering
- College of Computing and Informatics
- College of Engineering
- School of Pharmacy
- College of Biotechnology and Bioengineering
- College of Sports Science
- School of Medicine
- Institute for Cross-disciplinary Studies (ICS)

Suwon

NATURAL SCIENCES CAMPUS



Samsung Library



SUWON CAMPUS

2066 Seobu-ro, Jangan-gu, Suwon-si, Gyeonggi-do 16419, South Korea



SKKU HISTORY

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. 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.

BRIEF TIMELINE

- 1398** Sungkyunkwan founded
- 1895** Sungkyunkwan reformed into three-year institution
- 1946** Reorganized into Sungkyunkwan College
- 1953** Graduate School opened
- 1978** Natural Sciences Campus opened
- 1996** Samsung joins the University Foundation
- 1997** School of Medicine and SKK GSB established
- 1998** 600th anniversary
- 2005** Foundation of University College
- 2010** Vision2020 Proclamation 'Asia Top 10, Global Top 50'
- 2013** Foundation of SKKU Institute for Convergence
- 2021** Vision2030 Proclamation 'The Global Leader, SKKU'
- 2024** Vision 2030+ Proclamation 'Inspiring Future, Grand Challenge'

FACTS & FIGURES (2024)

Partnered with Samsung

SAMSUNG



International Degree-seeking Students



3,536



Chair

UNESCO Chair for the Promotion of Sustainable Energy System and Clean Environment (2023~2026)

Degree programs



200+

International
Summer / Winter Students



1,293



Faculty

1,530

Graduate Students

9,643



Undergraduate Students

25,194



Inbound Exchange Students



992

Outbound Exchange Students

779

RANKINGS (2025)



INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS (2026)



DOMESTIC RANKINGS



Top 1% Most Cited Article (Clarivate)

2nd

KEY RESEARCH FIELDS

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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



BASIC SCIENCES

SKKU founded IBS (Institute for Basic Sciences) in 2012 to secure creative knowledge and core technology for the future through world-class science research in Korea.

The IBS has two advanced research centers: the Center for Neuroscience Imaging Research (CNIR), and the Center for 2D Quantum Heterostructures(2DQH). The CNIR is focused on understanding brain structures, function, networks and behaviors with high-tech neuroimaging tools.

The 2DQH aims to synthesize various in-plane 2D quantum heterostructures, fabricate vertical heterostructures with them, and investigate their quantum confinement effect.

SEMICONDUCTOR

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

QUANTUM BIOPHYSICS

The Institute for Quantum Biophysics or IQB is focused on establishing quantum biology, quantum biophysics, and quantum biological ICs (QBICs) for “5P Medicine” (Preventive, Predictive, Personalized, Participatory, and Precision Medicine).

The IQB's core projects include Basic Quantum Biophysics and next-generation human resource training in Q-Biophysics. Most of its research is about biomedical systems and devices which are, as its name implies, on the quantum scale. Some examples are quantum biological integrated circuits or QBICs and quantum biological interface devices or QBIDs. It is led by Prof. Luke P. Lee from Harvard Institute of Medicine.



ENERGY SCIENCE

SKKU Institute of Energy Science & Technology (SIEST) is an innovative leader in energy convergence research that is focused on core technologies for high-efficient energy storage, conversion and harvesting. Its research centers include the Future Energy Conversion Lab, Nano-Micro Energy Center, and the Next-Generation Battery Center. The director of the SIEST is SKKU professor, Dr. Nam-Gyu Park.

EAST ASIAN STUDIES

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.

RESEARCH STATISTICS 2024

FUNDING (USD)



Total **537.5** million

Government Funding **415.7** million

Industry Funding **99.9** million

Non-profit & Other **21.9** million

PERFORMANCE



Publications (Scopus) **7,284**

Patents **938** 238 int'l

Tech. Transfer **3.2** million USD



FWCI **2.08**

HIGHLY CITED RESEARCHERS(HCR)

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

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

IBS DIRECTOR

Prof. Hyeyon Suk Shin is Director of the IBS Center for 2D Quantum Heterostructures and a world-leading expert in two-dimensional quantum materials. He pioneered advances in hBN and TMDs for energy and quantum technologies and was selected as a Highly Cited Researcher in 2024 and 2025.

A World-leading
Expert in
2D Quantum
Nanomaterials



*Hyeon Suk
Shin*

World's Top 0.01%
Researcher

*Nam-Gyu
Park*



PROFESSOR

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

SKKU ESG

The UNESCO Chair for the Promotion of Sustainable Energy System and Clean Environment established at Sungkyunkwan University with the scope of UNESCO's Renewable and Alternative Energies Programme is aimed at promoting the development of new technologies and paradigms around energy and environment with a view of supporting member states to achieve SDGs.

By contributing to the ESG, we can help tackle the most pressing global challenges facing humanity and the world.

In 2022, Sungkyunkwan University launched an intercollegiate ESG committee to oversee and enact campus ESG policies. Various ESG-related courses such as ESG Management, Technology, Society & Sustainability and Climate Change have been provided to enhance the understanding and collaboration of all members, and in 2023, the university was selected as the first UNESCO Chair in the engineering field in South Korea.



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

INBOUND



ISS INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SEMESTER

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

WISE WINTER INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXPERIENCE

The Winter International Student Experience (WISE) is designed to deepen understanding of Korean studies and promote accurate global awareness of Korea and its culture.

Offering courses that uphold the same high academic standards as the International Summer Semester (ISS), WISE enables students to earn transferable credits while engaging in an immersive winter study experience enriched with cultural activities.

WISE also features selective courses across diverse disciplines, taught by distinguished professors from around the world, providing participants with a truly global and dynamic learning opportunity. For more information, please visit winter.skku.edu



OUTBOUND

SKKU-SAMSUNG GLOBAL SUMMER PROGRAM

Sponsored by Samsung, this prestigious program selects 60 outstanding SKKU students each year to join summer sessions at world-renowned universities.

Each participant receives a scholarship of approximately USD 7,200 (KRW 10 million), offering a life-changing opportunity to experience global learning at the highest level.

Participation is limited to Samsung Scholarship recipients, chosen for their exceptional academic excellence and potential.

SKKU-BA-DIVE (SKKU BRIDGING AND DIVERSE INTERNATIONAL VISITING EXPERIENCE)

Fully funded by SKKU, the SKKU-BA-DIVE program sends 60 students annually to top global institutions.

Each participant is awarded a scholarship of approximately USD 3,600 (KRW 5 million) to join international summer sessions that foster academic growth and global perspective.

Open to all SKKU students, the program encourages exploration, cultural exchange, and meaningful international engagement.

SLI SUNGKYUN LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

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

STUDY ABROAD: EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SPRING SEMESTER
Early Mar. to Mid Jun.

FALL SEMESTER
Early Sep. to Mid Dec.



EXCHANGE NOMINATION DEADLINE

SPRING SEMESTER
Oct. 15th

FALL SEMESTER
Apr. 15th



EXCHANGE APPLICATION PERIOD

SPRING SEMESTER
Oct. 1st ~ Oct. 31st

FALL SEMESTER
Apr. 1st ~ Apr. 30th

CREDITS

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

COURSES

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

[International](#) ▶ [Study at SKKU](#) ▶ [Course Information](#) ▶ [Course Catalog](#)

KOREAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

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



STUDENT LIFE



BUDDY PROGRAM (SG MAPLE)

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



CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

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



DORMITORY

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

STUDY ABROAD: DEGREE SEEKING PROGRAMS

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Nationality	Foreign students whose parents are both foreign citizens. (By the time of application)
Academic	
Undergraduate	Applicants who graduated from high school (or expectant graduates) before the start of the semester or have high school graduate equivalency approved by an authorized organization
Master's	· Applicants with a Bachelor's degree or expected to graduate · Applicants with academic qualification equivalent to a Bachelor's degree
Graduate	· Applicants with a Master's degree or expected to graduate · Applicants with academic qualification equivalent to a Master's degree
Ph.D.	· Applicants with a Bachelor's degree or expected to graduate · Applicants with academic qualification equivalent to a Bachelor's degree

LINGUISTIC ABILITY

Korean Track	Submission of official Korean proficiency test score report (TOPIK, TOPIK iBT) or Korean language course transcript & completion certificate of university-affiliated language institutes in Korea
English Track	1. English proficiency test (TOEFL iBT, IELTS, TEPS, TOEIC, etc.) score report submission 2. Students with a nationality that use English as a mother tongue/official language can submit proof of Secondary (both Middle and High School) / Higher (Bachelor's or Master's) education completion within their home country

If you have any further questions about admissions, please contact us.

Email: [\[Undergraduate\] fore@skku.edu](mailto:[Undergraduate] fore@skku.edu) [\[Graduate\] intlgrad@skku.edu](mailto:[Graduate] intlgrad@skku.edu)

ADMISSIONS SCHEDULE

UNDERGRADUATE

2026 SCHOOL YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

	1 st Round	2 nd Round
Online Application	August	November
Admissions Announcement	October	January
Start of Semester	Early March	

2026 SCHOOL YEAR FALL SEMESTER

	1 st Round	2 nd Round
Online Application	February - March	May - June
Admissions Announcement	April	July
Start of Semester	Early September	

※ Detailed dates for Undergraduate / Graduate Admissions will be updated on the official website (<https://admission-global.skku.edu/>)

SCHOLARSHIP

UNDERGRADUATE

Admissions Scholarships

1st Semester

- 10~100% tuition-waived for qualified freshmen
- 100% or 50% tuition-waived for the Excellent Korean / English Language professionals depending on the level of TOPIK score submitted or the score of IELTS/TOEFL

Merit-Based Scholarships

from the 2nd Semester

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

Samsung Global Sungkyun Scholarship For Foreign Students

- Nomination will be held automatically among qualified freshmen candidates
- Full-waive of fees for the four academic years (8 semesters)

SKKU Global Leader Scholarship

- Nomination will be held automatically among qualified freshmen candidates
- Type A : Students with nationality of country which is the OECD DAC list of ODA recipients with 3 or lower number of students enrolled in SKKU.
- Type B : Outstanding Students in STEM fields
- Type C: Remarkable freshmen of Global characterized departments(Global Business administration, Global Economics, Global Biomedical Engineering) based on the admission results
- 50% tuition-waived scholarship for the four academic years (8 semesters)'
- Additional benefit for Type C: Priority in assignment of dormitory and full dormitory fees provided if assigned

GRADUATE

Admissions Scholarships

1st Semester

- 10~100% tuition-waived for qualified freshmen
- 20% tuition-waived for SKKU graduates

Merit-Based Scholarships

from the 2nd Semester

- Based on the average GPA of the previous semester
· Average GPA 4.5 : 50% tuition-waived
- Average GPA 4.2~4.5 : 30% tuition-waived
- Average GPA 3.8~4.2 : 20% tuition-waived

STEM Scholarship

Natural Sciences, Computing, Engineering, Medical departments

- Up to 100% tuition-waived for selected students recommended by SKKU professors*
- It is required for applicant to contact SKKU professor prior to application

※ Detailed Information is in SKKU Admissions Guide for Foreign Students

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