2026 GLOBAL KOREA SCHOLARSHIP
Graduate Degree Program

Application Checklist

☐ **Embassy Track (**공관전형**)** ☐ **University Track (**대학전형**)**

Name of Institution Receiving Application (공관/대학명**):** _____

Applicant's Full Name(성명) : (Family, Given, Middle)

Country of Citizenship(국가) :

Checklist (List of Documents to Submit) *Click the box(☐) to check or uncheck.*

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

FORM 1. 2026 Global Korea Scholarship Application

*Items marked in the **red box** are **required** for all applicants. Delete all pink-colored examples before submitting the application. All information must be typed in **English** ONLY.*

1. Application Track and Application Program 지원 전형 및 프로그램

Track	Program
Embassy Track ☐	*Select only ONE program* ☐General 일반 ☐Overseas Korean 재외동포
University Track ☐	*Select only ONE program* ☐General 일반 ☐R-GKS 지방대 ☐Research 연구 ☐ **International Organization Program*** General 국제기구 일반 ☐ **Internatinal Organization Program*** R-GKS 국제기구 지방대 ***International Organization Program is only for applicants of the international organizatiion(ADB, WB, UNHCR)**

2. Degree Program to Apply 지원 학위 과정

Select only ONE program

☐ Master's Degree 석사 ☐ Doctoral Degree 박사 ☐ Research 연구

3. Desired Field of Study (Division) 희망계열 * *Please refer to the "University Information" file*

You can select multiple fields

☐ Humanities 인문 ☐ Social Science 사회 ☐ Natural Science 자연과학

☐ Entertainment and Sports 예체능 ☐ Education 교육 ☐ Medicine 의학

☐ Engineering 공학 ☐ Artificial Intelligence (AI) 인공지능

4. Information of the Applicant 지원자 정보

Full Name 성명	*Family Name* 성			Photo Size: 3cm x 4 cm 증명사진
	Given Name 이름			
	Middle Name 중간 이름			
*Please write your **full name** as indicated on your passport or official documents*				
Date of Birth 생년월일	(YYYY-MM-DD) e.g., 1990-03-27	Gender 성별	☐ Male ☐ Female	
Country of Citizenship 국적				
Korean Citizenship 한국국적 여부	Applicant ☐ Yes ☐ No	Applicant's Parent(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No *(if any one of your parents has Korean Citizenship, check 'YES')*		
Contact Information 지원자 본인 연락처 *Must be applicant's	*Address*			
	Phone (start with the country code) e.g., +82-2-00-0000			
	E-mail			

5. Choice of University and Department 지원대학 및 학과

- ***Embassy Track*** *applicants can choose up to* ***THREE different*** *universities in any order of preference. However, Choice 1 must be from Type B universities.*
- ***Field of Study (Division)*** *and* ***Department*** *should match the information provided in the "University Information" file*

		University 대학	Field of Study (Division) 계열	Department 학과	Other *(i.e., major)* (optional) 기타(세부전공 등)
☐ **Embassy Track**	**Choice 1**	*Type B*	e.g., Engineering		
	Choice 2	*Type A or B*			
	Choice 3	*Type A or B*			
☐ **University Track**		*Type A or B*			

6. Language Abilities 어학 능력

TOPIK Level 한국어능력시험 성적	☐1 ☐2 ☐3 ☐4 ☐5 ☐6 급	English Proficiency Test Scores 영어공인시험 성적	☐ TOEFL	
	Test Held/Test Date (회차/시험일)		☐ IELTS	

7. Level of Education 학력 정보

High School Program (Required for all applicants)

High School 고등학교	High School Name 학교명	
	Location (Country) 소재국	
	Year of Graduation 졸업 연도	

Bachelor's Degree (Required for all applicants)

University 대학	University Name 학교명	
	Location (Country) 소재국	
	Major 전공	
	Graduation date or Degree awarded date 졸업일 또는 학위수여일	*Date indicated in your graduation (degree) certificate or diploma (YYYY-MM-DD)*
Degree Thesis Title	*(If available)*	
Published books & research papers	*(If available)*	

Master's Degree (Required for Doctoral and Research program applicants)

University 대학	University Name 학교명	
	Location (Country) 소재국	
	Major 전공	
	Graduation date or Degree awarded date 졸업일 또는 학위수여일	*Date indicated in your graduation (degree) certificate or diploma* *(YYYY-MM-DD)*
Degree Thesis Title	*(If available)*	
Published books & research papers	*(If available)*	

Doctoral Degree (Required for Postdoctoral Research program applicants)

University 대학	University Name 학교명	
	Location (Country) 소재국	
	Major 전공	
	Graduation date or Degree awarded date 졸업일 또는 학위수여일	*Date indicated in your graduation (degree) certificate or diploma* *(YYYY-MM-DD)*
Dissertation Title	*(If available)*	
Published books & research papers	*(If available)*	

8. Cumulative GPA (CGPA) of the previous degree* program 직전학위 종합평균평점

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

CGPA 전체평균평점	Converted CGPA 변환성적** (in 4.0, 4.3, 4.5, 5.0, or 100 scale only)	Score Percentile 백분율 환산점수
CGPA indicated on your original transcript *Highlight the CGPA on your transcript* e.g., 18.3/20 *If the transcript does not indicate the grading scale, submit a supplementary document describing the university's grading system*	*Required for relevant applicants. Must be confirmed by the university* e.g., 3.9/4.3, 92/100	*If your transcript does not have score percentile, refer to **Appendix A. GPA Conversion Table** to convert your CGPA into 100 points scale* **/100**

*** If your CGPA does not belong to any of the GPA scales we accept (4.0, 4.3, 4.5, 5.0 or 100 point scale), provide your original CGPA and a converted CGPA. It is required to submit a supplementary document issued by the relevant university that supports your converted grade.*

GPA indicated on the academic transcript of the previous degree program 직전학위 성적표 상 표기된 학기/학년별 평점

Year	1st year		2nd year		3rd year		4th year		** If needed, you may modify columns*	
Semester /Term	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2		
Grades or Rank	17/20	/	/	/	/	/	/	/		

※ If your academic transcript only indicates CGPA and does not provide GPA per semester, then you may leave this table empty.

9. Previously Received Scholarship from Korean Government or Institutions (if any) 한국 장학금 수혜사실(해당자만)

Sponsor 지원 기관	Name of the Scholarship 장학금명	Period 수혜 기간
e.g., NIIED	e.g., GKS Non-degree program for foreign exchange students	e.g., 2020.March~July

10. Previous Visits to Korea or Currently Residing in Korea (if any) 한국 방문 혹은 체류 정보(해당자만 기재)

Period 방문/체류 기간	Purpose of Stay 방문/체류 목적	City/Region 도시/지역	Affiliated Organization (if any) 방문/체류 기관(해당자만)	Visa Type 비자 종류
e.g., 2020.July~August	e.g., Korean language study	e.g., Seoul	e.g., ABC University	e.g., D-4

※ *Please put your visa type especially if you are currently residing in Korea.*

11. Recommender's Information 추천자 정보

Recommender's Name 추천자 이름	
Position or Title 직위 및 직급	
University(Institution) 소속대학 및 기관	
University(Institution) Address 소속대학 및 기관 주소	(Zip-code)
Email 이메일	
Telephone 전화	

THE ANSWERS I HAVE GIVEN ABOVE ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. IF MY ANSWERS CONTAIN ANY KIND OF FALSEHOOD, I WILL TAKE ANY LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name Signature

FORM 2. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Instructions: Please type in Korean or in English. The essay must be written in either Korean or English and must not exceed 17,000 characters. You can include the following items in your essay. Motivations with which you apply for this program

- *Educational background*
- *Significant experiences you have had*
- *Person or events that have had a significant influence on you*
- *If applicable, describe awards you have received, publications you have made, or skills you have acquired, etc.*
- *Others (e.g., extracurricular activities, community service, or work experiences)*

※ *It is recommended to submit a supplementary document that can prove what you have described in this personal statement. Please number each document and submit them as "other documents". Other documents can be submitted in simple photocopies without authentication*

Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name Signature

FORM 3. STUDY PLAN

Instructions: Please type in Korean or in English. The essay must be written in either Korean or English and must not exceed 17,000 characters.Please include the following items in your essay. Language Study Plan (Study plans to improve Korean/English language ability required for taking a degree course before and after you come to Korea)

- *Goal of study & Study Plan (Goal of study and detailed study plan)*
- *Future Plan after Study (Future plan in Korea or another country after finishing GKS program*

Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name Signature

FORM 4. RESEARCH PROPOSAL

Instructions: This form is required for the research program applicants only. Please type in Korean or in English. The essay must be written in either Korean or English and must not exceed 17,000 characters. Please include the following items in your proposal.

- *Research Topic*
- *Research Objectives*
- *Detailed Research Plan*
- *Research Methodology*
- *Expected Result of the Research*
- *Research Timetable*

Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name Signature

FORM 5. RECOMMENDATION LETTER

Instructions for applicants: fill in Section 1 and deliver (or email) this form to your recommender

SECTION 1: To be completed by applicant

- Applicant's Name:
- Program applying for: ☐ Master's degree ☐ Doctoral degree ☐ Research
- Intended Major:

SECTION 2: To be completed by your recommender

Instructions for the recommenders (you can delete this instruction):

Your candid evaluation of the applicant will be highly appreciated in the selection of Global Korea Scholarship awardees and the admissions to a Korean university. We greatly appreciate your time and effort.

Please write in English or Korean and the letter below or use your own recommendation letter template and attach your letter to this form. The letter should be no more than two pages in length.

We expect your letter can be used to evaluate the applicant's personal qualities, such as:

- *Ability to work independently or in a team*
- *Intelligence*
- *Aptitude and attitude*
- *Potential*
- *Future contribution*
- *Cultural adaptation*

- Recommender's Name:
- Affiliated Institution:
- Position/Title:
- Email:
- Phone:
- Please type the recommendation below:

(delete this instruction)
After completing the recommendation letter, please add the date and your signature at the bottom. Please return the completed letter back to the applicant in a sealed envelope. (sign across the back flap).

Recommender's Signature _____Date

FORM 6. LETTER OF INVITATION

Instructions: This form is required for the research program applicants only and must be completed by the staff or faculty of the inviting university.

A. Applicant Information

- Full Name:
- Nationality:
- Final Degree:
- Current Affiliation:
- Current Position:

B. Invitation Details

- Period of Invitation: ☐ 6 months ☐ 1 year
- Department:
- Professor: (signature)
- Research Plan *(Please briefly describe the applicant's research topic and plan)*:
- University's Support Plan
  1) Please check all that applies:
     - ☐ Participation in our university's research project
     - ☐ Support for coursework, as in auditing a course
     - ☐ Personal research office
     - ☐ Access to the university's library
     - ☐ Financial support for attending academic conferences
     - ☐ On-campus accommodation
     - ☐ Other
  2) University Support Details:

I hereby confirm that our university (institution) will invite the above person as a research program scholar under the GKS Program.

Date (yyyy-mm-dd):

President (Signature) University *(Official Seal)*

FORM 7. Korean Language Program Exemption Application

Instructions: This form is for applicants who are current university professors applying to a department that offers 100% English instruction. Fill out this form if you wish to be exempted from the one-year Korean language program prior to the degree program.

A. Applicant Information

- Full Name:
- Nationality:
- Final Degree:
- Current Affiliation:
- Current Position:

B. Application Details

- Choice of University:
- Department:
- Check if the department offers 100% English instruction: ☐

I am a university professor applying to a department with 100% English instruction and would like to apply for an exemption from the one-year Korean language program before the degree program.

_____ Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name

Signature

FORM 8. GKS APPLICANT AGREEMENT

As an applicant for Global Korea Scholarship program, I agree to abide by the following;

1. The information I have provided in this application forms are true and accurate and all documents I submitted to the National Institute for International Education (hereafter NIIED) are genuine. ☐
2. I understand that all the documents submitted to NIIED for GKS will not be returned regardless of the final outcome of the selection process. ☐
3. I will abide by all the Korean laws and ordinances. ☐
4. I will respect and uphold the values of the Korean culture and society. ☐
5. I will fulfill my responsibilities as a GKS scholar to the best of my abilities. ☐
6. I will not participate in any form of political activities (such as organizing or joining a political party, attending political meetings, publishing articles and declarations, and organizing or participating in political demonstrations). ☐
7. I will maintain financial integrity at a personal level. ☐
8. I will not engage in any profit-making activities by using my status or position as a GKS scholar during the scholarship period. ☐
9. I accept NIIED's decision concerning the degree program and the Korean language program. ☐
10. I understand that once I am selected as a GKS scholar. I am not permitted to change the university, either for the Korean language program. ☐
11. I will abide by the academic regulations and requirements of NIIED, Korean language institution, and university. ☐
12. I understand that if I have any dependents that will accompany me to Korea, I am responsible for all matters concerning those dependents such as visa issuance and that NIIED will not provide any extra expenses or support regarding my dependents. ☐
13. I hereby authorize NIIED to verify the information disclosed in this application form and the documents required by GKS as well as to collect any other information deemed necessary by GKS to determine my suitability as an applicant from any institution, organization or individual issuing said information and/or documentation. This includes but is not limited to contacting recommenders or previous employers. ☐
14. I hereby understand that all information provided to NIIED will be stored in secured servers where access will be limited to GKS team and its affiliates. I understand that all reasonable efforts will be made to protect confidential and sensitive information. By signing below and submitting my application, I agree to these terms. ☐
15. I understand that failure to uphold any of the above statements may be grounds for termination of my scholarship offer. ☐

I confirm that I read all of the above conditions. I also understand that the violation of any one of the above might result in warning or cancellation of the scholarship.

Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name Signature

FORM 9. PERSONAL MEDICAL ASSESSMENT

Instructions: This form is just a personal medical assessment and applicants do not need to obtain a comprehensive medical examination at this stage

Question	Yes	No	If Yes, please explain
1. Have you ever had an infectious disease that posed a risk to public health? (e.g. tuberculosis)	☐	☐	
2. Do you have allergies?	☐	☐	
3. Do you have hyper tension?	☐	☐	
4. Do you have diabetes?	☐	☐	
5. Do you have any type of Hepatitis?	☐	☐	
6. Have you ever suffered from or been treated for depression, anxiety, or any other mental or mood disorder? (If you have received treatment, please explain and attach an official medical report.)	☐	☐	
7. Have you ever been addicted to alcohol?	☐	☐	
8. Have you ever abused any narcotic, stimulant, hallucinogen or other substance, either legally or illegally?	☐	☐	
9. Have you been hospitalized in the last two (2) years?	☐	☐	
10. Have you had any serious injury, ailment or sickness in the last five (5) years?	☐	☐	
11. Do you have any visual or hearing impairment?	☐	☐	
12. Do you have any physical disabilities?	☐	☐	
13. Do you have any cognitive/mental disabilities?	☐	☐	
14. Are you taking any prescribed medication?	☐	☐	
15. Are you on a special diet?	☐	☐	

_____Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name

Signature

FORM 10. CONSENT TO COLLECT AND USE PERSONAL INFORMATION

A. Any information used for identifying individuals that is acquired by NIIED will be stored, used and/or analyzed only within the scope of NIIED activities, and in accordance with NIIED's policy and regulations.
B. NIIED may provide and disclose the collected information aforesaid to a third party in accordance with NIIED's policy and regulations, with the relevant laws of Korea, or upon the request from the Government of Korea.
C. NIIED reserves the right to use all the documents or products produced by participants for the purpose of the GKS Program including their duplication, translation, distribution, and/or posting on websites (NIIED's website and/or other websites related to Korean ODA).
D. NIIED takes measures required to prevent leakage, loss, or destruction of acquired information.
E. You have a right for refusal to agree with the above conditions, however, please be informed that there may be limitations to your participation to the NIIED GKS Program.

■ Agreement on Collection and Use of Personal Data

According to Article 15 of the Personal Information Protect Act of Korea, NIIED collects and uses the participants' Personal Information in accordance with NIIED policy and regulations.

Personal Information Collected	Purpose	Retention Period
Name, date of birth, gender, nationality, phone number, e-mail address, home address, TOPIK level, TOPIK level acquisition date, university, language institution, academic records, degree, department, major, field of study, start date and end date of scholarship period, current country of residence, employment status (job category, relation to Korea, workplace information, relation to major), previous degree	Candidate review and selection for the GKS program, Implementation and promotion of the GKS Program, Management* of GKS scholars and alumni * identification of participants, record keeping, supporting NIIED's activities, on/offline alumni database management, operation of alumni website, etc.	**20 years** (soft copy) / **5 year** (hard copy) /Second week of July 2026(online application information)

※ You may refuse to agree for the collection and use of your personal information, however, it may lead to limited support from NIIED regarding visa issuance, immigration management, flight and accommodation arrangement, insurance and medical service.

Agree ☐ Disagree ☐

■ Agreement on Provision of Personal Information to a Third Party

According to Article 17 of the Personal Information Protect Act of Korea, NIIED collects and uses the participants' Personal Information; and is able to provide such information for a third party in accordance with NIIED policy and regulations.

Personal Information Collected	Purpose	Third Parties	Retention Period
Name, date of birth, gender, nationality, phone number, e-mail address, home address, TOPIK level, TOPIK level acquisition date, university, language institution, academic records, degree, department, major, field of study, start date and end date of scholarship period, current country of residence, employment status (job category, relation to Korea, workplace information, relation to major), previous degree	Management of student information, Visa issuance, Implementation and promotion of the GKS program, Alumni activity support and alumni database management (including newsletter service), Strengthening partnerships between Korea and partner countries, online application process	Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and its Overseas Missions, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Science & ICT, Ministry of Culture, Sports & Tourism and Korean Culture & Information Service, Ministry of Personnel Management, Overseas Korean diplomatic missions, GKS universities, etc.	**20 years** (soft copy) / **5 year** (hard copy) / Second week of July 2026(online application information)

※ You may refuse to agree for the provision of your personal information to a third party, however, it may lead to limited support from NIIED's service including alumni activities

Agree ☐ Disagree ☐

Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Applicant's Full Name Signature