

# EMBAJADA DE LA REPUBLICA DE COREA QUITO, ECUADOR

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Bernardo Juniu 15

Sr.
Javier Herrán Gómez
Rector
UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA SALESIANA
En Su Despacho.-

De mi consideración:

Reciba usted un cordial saludo y mis mayores deseos de éxito en el desempeño de sus altas funciones.

El motivo de esta misiva es de poner a conocimiento suyo y de la prestigiosa institución educativa a la que usted dirige el *Programa de Becas del Gobierno Coreano para Cursos de Postgrado 2015.* 

A través de este programa, el gobierno coreano ofrece becas totales a estudiantes ecuatorianos interesados en realizar estudios de maestría y doctorado en las mejores universidades de la República de Corea.

Conocedora del prestigio y alto nivel académico de la Universidad Politécnica Salesiana, me permito solicitarle se difunda la información acerca de estas becas, por medio del material enviado adjunto, donde se especifica las particularidades de este programa, las fechas y requisitos de aplicación, y la información de contacto para los interesados.

Esperando que más estudiantes ecuatorianos puedan beneficiarse de este programa, agradezco de antemano su gentil atención a la presente y aprovecho la oportunidad para reiterarle los sentimientos de mi mayor consideración y estima.

Atentamente,

Heesun Shin Consejera

Adj: Los documentos mencionados.



## 2015 Korean Government Scholarship Program Guideline for International Students Enrolled in Graduate Programs

### 1. Program Objective

The Korean Government Scholarship Program is designed to provide higher education in Korea for international students, with the aim of promoting international exchange in education, as well as mutual friendship amongst the participating countries.

#### 2. Total Number of Grantees

2-1 Graduate Course: 820 candidates

o 2015 KGSP Allocations by respective Korean Embassies: 493 candidates (from 156nations)

#### <Embassy Quotas >

Name of Countries	Quota	No. of Nations
China	22	1
The United States	15	1
Indonesia, Russia, Vietnam	10	3
Japan	9	1
Myanmar, Ecuador, Bulgaria, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey	6	5
Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Kazakhstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Uzbekistan	5	14
Azerbaijan, Brazil, Cambodia, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Germany, Israel, Italy, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Oman, Panama, Serbia, Taiwan, The United Kingdom, Tunisia, Uganda	4	18
Afghanistan, Argentina, Belgium, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, El Salvador, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Hungary, Iraq, Jordan, Nepal, Norway, Republic of South Africa, Rwanda, Senegal, Singapore, Sudan, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Timor-Leste, Turkmenistan, Venezuela, Yemen, Zambia	3	30
Algeria, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Bolivia, Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada(Quebec), Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Gambia, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, Jamaica, Kuwait, Iran, Ireland, Kenya, Latvia, Lebanon, Libya, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Netherlands, New Zealand, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden, the Bahamas, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, Uruguay, Zimbabwe		50
Albania, Angola, Bahrain, Barbados, Benin, Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, Guinea-Bissau, Greenland, Guyana, Haiti, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritania, Mauritius, Montenegro, Namibia, Nicaragua, Niger, Palestine, Papua New Guinea, Qatar, Republic of the Congo, Republic of Seychelles, Sao Tome Principe, Somalia, Suriname, Swaziland, Syria, the United Arab Emirates	1	33

Total	471	156
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- ♦The basis for quota allocation lies in the mutual agreement between Korea and countries listed above.
- ♦ Among the 493 candidates, 17 (from 12 nations) overseas Korean adoptees are included. Their quotas are allotted to 12 Korean embassies, and are separate from general candidate quotas.
- ♦ Among the 493 candidates, 5 candidates may be selected from non-allotted Korean embassies.

<Overseas Korean Adoptee Quotas>

Name of Countries	Quota	No. of Nations
The United States	5	1
Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden	2	9
Italy, Switzerland		2
Total	17 Candidates	12

<sup>\*</sup> Adoptee who has experienced an exchange program or graduated/will graduate from a Korean university (D-2 visa holders) can apply for this program.

## o 2015 KGSP Allocation for the Designated Korean Universities : 327candidates (from 86 nations)

#### <Designated University Quotas>

		Quota		No. of
Name of Countries	General*	Regional Univ.	Total	Nations
Indonesia, Mongolia, Vietnam	7	3	10	3
Cambodia, Kazakhstan, Philippines, Thailand, Uzbekistan	7	2	9	5
Brazil, Ethiopia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Russia	6	2	8	6
Bangladesh, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria	5	2	7	5
Ghana, India	5	1	6	2
Cameroon, Rwanda, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Tanzania, Turkey	4	1	5	6
Uganda	3	1	4	1
Egypt, Poland, Romania, The United States, Peru	4		4	5
Azerbaijan, Colombia, Hungary, Japan, Laos, Singapore	3	Linguisti	3	6
Algeria, Bhutan, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominica, France, Gabon, Germany, Iran, Italy, Jordan, Kenya, Lithuania, Mauritania, Moldova, Morocco, Netherlands, Republic of the Congo, Senegal, Slovakia, Spain, Sudan, Tajikistan, the Democratic Republic	2		2	31

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Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Bolivia, Finland, Greece, Israel, Lebanon, Maldives, New Zealand, Paraguay, Solomon Islands, Timor-Leste	1		1	16
327 Candidates	270	50	320	86

- ♦ Among the 327 candidates, allocated to the Designated Korean Universities, 7 will be allotted into three outstanding specialized universities separately.
- Once the candidates from general quota selected, <u>another 50</u> from those countries with Regional University quota will be allotted into one of the designated Regional Universities <u>in Natural Science and Engineering</u> (see the list below for 35 designated regional universities.) ex) Mongolia: 7 will be allotted to general quota, 3 will be selected from regional university applicants.
- \* General quota includes the candidates from both Designated University and Regional University.

#### 2-2 Research Program: approx. 20 candidates

#### < Research Program Quota >

Name of Countries	Quota
Vietnam, Indonesia, Cambodia, Philippines, Bangladesh, Mongolia, Laos, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Pakistan, Timor-Leste, Ghana, the Democratic Republic of the Congo,	Approx. 20 in
Nigeria, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Cameroon, Rwanda, Uganda, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Solomon Islands	total

#### 3. Eligible Universities and Fields of Study

o Eligible Universities: The 66 listed universities (or institutions) as designated by NIIED

Eligible Universities (or Institutions)	General	Regional
Ajou University, Chung-Ang University, Dongguk University, Ewha Womans University, Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Hanyang University, Hongik University, Inha University, KDI School of Public Policy and Management, Konkuk University, Kookmin University, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Korea Polytechnic University, Korea University, Kyonggi University, Kyunghee University, Myongji university, Pohang University of Science and Technology, Sangmyung University, Seoul Nat'l University of Science and Technology, Sogang University, Sookmyung Women's University, Soongsil University, Sungkyunkwan University, The Graduate School of Korean Studies in the Academy of Korean Studies, Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology, University of Science & Technology, University Of Seoul, Yonsei University		

Pusan Nat'l University, Silla Univerity, Soonchunhyang University, Sunchon National University, Sunmoon University of Ulsan, Wonkwang University, Woosong University, Yeungnam University	Sunmoon University, University of Ulsan, Wonkwang University, Woosong University, Yeungnam		35
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- o Available Fields of Study: Detailed information about the fields and majors offered by the listed eligible universities can be found in the <u>University Information</u> section on the GKS website (www.studyinkorea.go.kr). Applicants must choose their desired fields of study from the listed programs in the <u>University Information</u> section provided by participating universities.
- \* Night schools, seasonal programs, broadcasting schools, and cyber-schools (including online distant learning programs) are not eligible for application.
- o Available Courses: Master's programs, Doctoral programs, Research Programs

#### 4. Main Notes for the 2015 Selection

- o Applicants have to apply for this program via either an embassy or a designated university.
- Overseas Korean adoptees have to apply only via an embassy if their countries are allotted the adoptee quotas.
- Applicants for Research Program have to apply via university only.
- Former KGSP scholars have to apply via embassy only.
- o Applicants (including Korean adoptees) who apply for this program **via Korean Embassies** must choose 3 desired universities out of the 66 universities listed below.
- o Applicants who apply for this program **via the designated universities** may choose only 1 desired university out of the 66 universities listed below.
- o The selection process for applicants will proceed in three steps. Firstly, applicants must be selected by the institution he or she is applying through (a Korean embassy, or a designated university).

  Secondly, applicants who passed the first round must be selected by the NIIED Selection Committee.

  Finally, applicants who passed the second round must gain admission from a university.
- o Institutions accepting applications: 119 overseas Korean embassies or 66 designated Korean universities.
- \* Applicants who submit applications to more than one of the aforementioned institutions will be disqualified immediately.
- o Selection Procedure
- 1st Selection: Each 1st selection institution will draft a selections standard based on the criteria provisioned by NIIED, and recommend the best applicants according to its respective standards.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Selection: The NIIED Selection Committee will select the most successful candidates from the pool of applicants recommended by the 1<sup>st</sup> selection institutions.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Selection: Only the candidates who were recommended by a Korean embassy and passed the 2<sup>nd</sup> selection successfully will be evaluated for admission by the 3 universities to which they applied; each candidate has to gain admission from at least one university.
- \* Applicants who were recommended by a designated university will automatically be granted admission to the university that recommended them, upon the condition they are selected as a successful candidate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Selection. Subsequently, once they pass the mandatory medical examination (when it's orientation), they will join the ranks of the final successful candidates.

#### 5. Duration of Scholarship

- o Master's (01.09.2015 ~ 31.08.2018): 1 yr. of Korean language + 2 yrs of Master's
- o Doctoral (01.09.2015 ~ 31.08.2019): 1yr. of Korean language + 3 yrs of Doctoral
- o Research (01.09.2015~31.08.2016): 1 month ~ 1 year
- \* (Important) After the Korean language course, the scholarship period of degree course (2 years of master's or 3 years of doctoral) cannot be extended beyond the designated duration.
- \* In the case that a scholar possesses a TOPIK Level that is higher than 5, he or she is exempted from the Korean language course; the exempted period will be deducted from the total scholarship period (2 years for master's or 3 years for doctoral).
- \* In the case that a scholar possesses a <u>TOPIK Level 5 or 6, he or she must be exempted from the Korean language course and must start his/her academic course of Master or Doctoral degree; the exempted period will be deducted from the total scholarship period (2 years for master's or 3 years for doctoral).</u>

#### 6. Korean Language Course

- o All scholars, unless exempted, must take one year of Korean language course in the designated language institution by NIIED. <u>Once scholars are designated at the institution</u>, it cannot be changed.
- o Research scholars are exempted from Korean Language Course.
- o <u>During Korean language learning</u>, scholars are supposed to stay at the dorm of language institution with a <u>roommate</u>, thus cannot bring their family.
- o Exemption from the Korean language course requirement: Korean proficiency at TOPIK Level 5 or 6 (with certification).
- \* Scholars who have surpassed TOPIK Level 5 or 6 must start their degree course without the Korean language course starting from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
- o Only the scholars who will have passed at least Level 3 of TOPIK (the Test of Proficiency in Korean) after one year of Korean language course are permitted to start their master's or doctoral program.
- o Scholars who do not pass at least TOPIK Level 3 after one year of Korean language course must complete

an additional six-month coursework in the Korean language.

- o Language Institution: NIIED has designated about 10 language institutions for the Korean language course.
- \* The main language institution placement principle is different area from the finally chosen university of scholars in order to provide a chance of exploring variable Korean cultures and immerge on Korean language learning with professional environments for scholars.

#### 7. Application Requirements

- o The applicant and his/her parents must have foreign citizenships.
- \* Applicants who hold Korean citizenship are not permitted to apply for this program. Therefore, Applicants and his/her parents who once had Korean citizenship must provide document regarding renunciation of Korean citizenship.
- o Applicants should be in good health, both mentally and physically, to stay in Korea for an extended period of time.
- \* Applicants must submit the Personal Medical Assessment (included in the application form) when he/she apply for this program, and when it's orientation, an Official Medical Examination will be done by NIIED. A serious illness (For example, HIV, Drug, etc) will be the main cause of disqualification from the scholarship.
  - \*The handicapped who satisfy the above are also eligible for the program
  - \*NOT Eligible: those who are pregnant (disqualified upon discovery)
- o Applicants must be under 40 years of age as of Sep. 1st, 2015 (born after Sep. 1st, 1975).
- o Applicants must hold a Bachelor's or Master's degree as of August 31st, 2015.
  - \*Research Program Applicants must hold a Master's degree or above and a university professor in one of the eligible countries for research program(see 2-2).
  - \* (Important) Applicants who have ever enrolled in a university in Korea will be disqualified from applying to the KGSP program. Specifically, an applicant who has previously enrolled in an undergraduate program, a master's program, a doctoral program including an exchange program (D-2 visa holders ever) in Korea cannot apply for this program.

Exception 1. Applicant who has experienced an exchange program in Korea only for previous academic courses graduation, and if it was mandatory for his or her graduation of degree program; thus could submit official explanation from the attended institution can apply for this KGSP program.

Exception 2. The KGSP scholar who has graduated or will graduate from a Korean university as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 can apply for this program again only via the embassy if only he/she holds at least TOPIK Level 4 and obtain another recommendation within the allotment from the Korean Embassy of his/her respective country of origin (re-application is limited to one instance).

- \* Applicants who apply for the Master's program must hold a Bachelor's degree or a diploma that is equivalent to or higher than a Bachelor's degree.
- \* Applicants who apply for the Doctoral program must hold a Master's degree or a diploma that is equivalent to or higher than a Master's degree.
- \* Applicants who are expecting to obtain the relevant required degree or diploma by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 must submit a certificate of degree or diploma expectation, and submit the official certificate of degree or diploma to NIIED by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015(If not, disqualified for this program).
- o Applicants must maintain a grade point average (G.P.A.) of at least 2.64 on a 4.0 scale, 2.80 on a 4.3 scale, 2.91 on a 4.5 scale, or grades/marks/score of 80% or higher from the previously attended institution.
- \* If an applicant does not satisfy the above GPA criteria, he/she will be disqualified from applying to this program.
- \* If the transcript is not indicated in grades/marks/scores format, or is difficult to convert into percentages, attachment of official explanation from the attended institution is required.
- o Applicants who have Korean proficiency or English proficiency may be given preference.
- o Applicants who apply for natural science and technology program may be given preference.
- o Applicants who are university professors currently in the developing countries may be given preference.

#### 8. Scholarship

- o Scholarship Period: same as the period of invitation.
- o Payment:
  - -Airfare: Round-trip economy class ticket.
  - \* Airfare for entry will not be provided to scholars who are currently living in Korea for academic study or employment.
  - \* The fees for domestic travel within a scholar's home country and for travel insurance to and from Korea will not be provided.
  - \* Scholars from China and the Czech Republic will not be provided airfare by NIIED, but by their country of origin according to the mutual agreements.
  - -Monthly Allowance: 900,000 won (KRW) per month.
  - -Research Allowance: 210,000 won for scholars in the humanities and social sciences; 240,000 won for scholars in natural and mechanic sciences, per semester.
  - -Relocation (Settlement) Allowance: 200,000 won
  - -Language Training Fee: Full coverage
  - -Tuitions : All admission fees are waived by the host institution (university). The tuition is paid by NIIED.
  - -Dissertation Printing Costs: 500,000 ~ 800,000 won, depending on the actual costs.
  - -Medical Insurance: 20,000 won per month will be provided (limited coverage).
  - -Special funding for scholars who are proficient in the Korean language (TOPIK Level 5 or 6): 100,000 won per

month (commencing from the degree program)

#### o NOTES

- NIIED does not compensate fees for the domestic travel, moving expenses, deposit, etc. both in the grantee's country and Korea.
- The medical fee is to be reimbursed through the insurance company to the scholar after s/he pays first. However, the expense for dental clinic or chronic disease will not be covered.
- Any scholar who gives up his/her study during the scholarship period will not receive airfare and allowance for repatriation.
- Any scholar that quits the program within 3 months after s/he entering Korea, must refund all scholarship fees. (The airfare of arriving Korea, settlement allowance, monthly stipend, Korean language training expenses, etc.).

#### 9. Selection Procedure Details

o The guideline, application form, and university information will be available at the website of GKS (www.studyinkorea.go.kr), Korean Embassies, and designated domestic universities.

## o For applicants (including Korean adoptees) who apply for KGSP via Korean Embassies

- (1st Selection) Korean Embassies make its own selection schedule and plan based on the criteria provided by NIIED, and accept the applications. They select 1.5 times as many candidates as their quota from the pool of applicants and recommend them to NIIED.
  - \* Applicants from China and the Czech Republic should submit their applications to the Ministry of Education (or equivalent institution) in their respective country of origin, in accordance with the mutual agreements between Korea and those countries.
- \* Only Korean adoptees who have foreign citizenship can apply for this program via a Korean Embassy if their countries of origin are allotted the adoptee quota. They are selected through a separate procedure; general applicants cannot be accepted through this application category.
- (2<sup>nd</sup> Selection) NIIED Selection Committee selects as many successful candidates as each embassy quota amongst the pool of candidates recommended by the Embassies.
- (3<sup>rd</sup> Selection) NIIED submits the documents of successful candidates to their 3 universities of indicated preference, and requests admission examination of the candidates into their master's or doctoral programs.
  The universities have to notify the result of examination to the candidates and NIIED by the designated date.
  The candidates who gain admission from more than one university will have to make a final selection, and notify their respective local Korean Embassy and NIIED by the designated date. Only the candidates who gain admission within the 3<sup>rd</sup> Selection period can be accepted as official KGSP scholars.
- o For applicants who apply for KGSP via designated domestic universities(including Research Program)

- (1st Selection) Each designated university will draft its own selection schedule and plan based on the criteria provided by NIIED, and accepts the applications. Each designated university will select up to 20 candidates from all of the quota-assigned countries and recommend them to NIIED. They cannot recommend more than 3 candidates from a single country.
- (1<sup>nd</sup> Selection) 35 Regional Universities can select up to 25 candidates including at least 5 candidates in Natural Science and Engineering from the regional university quota-assigned countries. They cannot recommend more than 4 candidates from a single country.
- (1<sup>nd</sup> Selection) Designated universities for Research Program can select and recommend up to 2 candidates to NIIED for the 2<sup>nd</sup> selection.
- (2<sup>nd</sup> Selection) NIIED Selection Committee selects as many successful candidates as each country's quota from all
  of the candidates recommended by the universities. The candidates who are selected in the NIIED Selection
   Committee will be accepted to the university which recommended them, and will be finally accepted as official
  KGSP scholars upon a successful comprehensive medical examination.

#### 10. Selection Criterion

o All documents including transcript, self-introduction, study plan(research proposal), certificates of language proficiency (Korean and English), recommendations, published papers and awards, etc., will be evaluated.

#### 11. Required Documentation

- o Place of submission
- \*NHED and Foreign embassies in Korea are not 1st Selection Institutions and do not accept applications directly from the candidates.
- \*NIIED accepts and judges only the candidates recommended by the 1st Selection Institutions. They are:
- For applicants (including overseas Korean adoptees) applying via a Korean embassy: the Korean embassy in the country of origin.
- \*Korean Educational Institutes (Korean Education Center or Korean Cultural Center) affiliated with the local Korean embassies may accept applications, and select and recommend candidates in place of embassies in some countries.
- For applicants applying via a domestic university: One of the 66 designated universities

#### o Deadline of Submission: The date set forth by the 1st Selection Institutions within March 2015

- \* It's applicant's duty to ask the deadline to the applying institution since each institution has set deadline individual itself.
- \* Deadline for the recommendation of candidates to NIIED by the 1st Selection Institutions is April 10th, 2015.

\* If the respective 1<sup>st</sup> Selection Institutions do not submit their candidates' documents to NIIED on time, they will be excluded from the examination of NIIED Selection Committee, and their quotas will be substituted by the other 1<sup>st</sup> Institutions' reserve candidates.

## o Required documents: One original document (placed in a separate envelope) and 3 extra photocopies.

\* Documents not in English or Korean must be accompanied by a complete English or Korean translation authenticated by the issuing institution or notarized by a notary's office.

Check List for Application Documents	Master's	Doctoral	Research
1. Personal data (Attachment #1)	0	0	0
2. Self Introduction (Attachment #2)	0	0	0
Study Plan (Attachment #3)	0	0	620
Research Proposal(Attachment #3)		E # 2	0
4. Letter of Recommendation(1) (Attachment #4)	0	0	0
5. Pledge (Attachment #5)	0	0	0
6. Personal Medical Assessment (Attachment #6)	0	0	0
7. Diploma or certificate of graduation from undergraduate institution	0	0	
8. Official Transcript from undergraduate institution	0	0	-
9. Diploma or certificate of graduation from graduate institution	/ <del>-</del> .:	0	0
10. Official transcript of previously attended graduate institution(s)	250	0	0
11. Certificate of Employment		-	0
12. Certificate of TOPIK score (original copy), if applicable	Δ	Δ	Δ
13. Certificate of TOEFL or IELTS score (original copy), if applicable	Δ	Δ	Δ
14. Published papers, if applicable	Δ	Δ	Δ
15. Awards, if applicable	Δ	Δ	Δ
16. Copy of passport (possible to submit after selection)	0	0	0
Certificate of citizenship of applicant ex) the applicant's and his/her Parents' Birth 17. certificate, Passport copy or Certificate of nationality expatriation, etc.	0	0	0
Certificate of Loss of Korean citizenship (only for former Korean Citizenship holders)	Δ	Δ	Δ
18. Adoption Documents (only for overseas Korean adoptees)	Δ	Δ	-

#### o Note

- \* Selection for successful candidates will be done strictly by the NIIED Selection Committee.

  Therefore, appropriate documents should be submitted by the deadline.
- Dual applications are not accepted. Applicants must apply for this program via only one institution.
- Documents should be presented in their original form.

- Submitted documents will not be returned to the applicants.
- Incomplete or incorrect documents may lead to application rejection or failure in the Selection Committee, and scholarship revocation even after entry into Korea.
- In case of submitting photocopied documents, applicants must submit the original to the 1<sup>st</sup> Selection Institution and have the original one and the photocopied one collated. The confirmation of collation should be indicated in the photocopied documents.
- Applicants who are expected to graduate from their respective home undergraduate/graduate institutions by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, must submit the certificate (or letter) of expected graduation issued by said institutions when they apply; the official certificate of graduation must be received by NIIED by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
- Applicants must accurately complete the health checklist truthfully. All successful candidates must take a comprehensive medical exam when its' orientation. In accordance with the requirements of the Korea Immigration Service and the KGSP Program, the candidates who are judged to be physically unfit for this program will not be accepted.
- Applicants may submit the copies of published papers, if available.
- Applicants may submit the copies of awards, if available.
- \* Applicants must submit all the documents by the checklist order. (Checklist for the application documents should be on the front page, followed by the required documents, stapled and attached.)
- \* Transferring to a different university after confirming the host university is not permitted in any cases. In regards to changing majors, it would be permitted only under the mutual agreement of the departments concerned only within the same university, with the scholarship period unchanged. (2 years of Master's, or 3 years of doctoral, in total). However, quitting a program and applying for a new one is not permitted.

#### 12. Selection Schedule

- o Application Period: Feb.2<sup>nd</sup> ~ Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> (decided by the 1<sup>st</sup> Selection Institution)
- o The 1st Selection: The end of March (decided by the 1st Selection Institution)
- o Deadline for Recommendation to NIIED: April 10th (All documents must be received by NIIED.)
- o The 2<sup>nd</sup> Selection: Mid to End-April (NIIED Selection Committee)
- o Announcement for the Results of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Selection: April 30<sup>th</sup> (posted on GKS websites)
- o Admission Procedures for the Korean Embassies' candidates: May 1st ~May 29th
- o Announcement for Final Successful Candidates: June 16th (GKS websites-www.studyinkorea.go.kr)
- o Visa Issue and Air ticket purchase: June 17<sup>th</sup> ~ July 31<sup>st</sup>
- o Entry into Korea: August 24th ~ August 26th
- o NIIED Orientation: August 31st ~ September 1st (4 regional groups)
- o Korean Language Course: September 1st

## 13. For further information, please contact:

- o 1st Institutions: Refer to The Contact Information of Korean Embassies and Universities in the attachment #8.
- o KGSP Team, National Institute for International Education (NIIED)
- Address: #205 NIIED, 81 Ewhajang-gil, Jongno-gu, Seoul, 110-810, Republic of Korea
- www.studyinkorea.go.kr
  - ▶ Korean version: 정부초청외국인장학생 → 공지사항
  - ► English version: GKS → Notice
- Phone: +82-2-3668-1364, +82-2-3668-1389
- Fax: +82-2-743-4992
- Email: niied@moe.go.kr

#### 14. Other useful websites

- O Higher Education in Korea
- Learning Korean
- Understanding of Korean culture
- Overseas Korean embassies
- O Visa and Registration

http://heik.academyinfo.go.kr http://www.kosnet.go.kr

http://korea.net

http://www.mofa.go.kr

http://immigration.go.kr

Contact in Ecuador: Embassy of the Republic of Korea

Daniela Larrea: dlarrea.ecorea@gmail.com

Web page: ecu.mof.go.kr