GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS
(GSFS PROGRAM)
-SPRING 2027 -



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Graduate Scholarship for Foreign Students (GSFS) at SNU

We are delighted to present this catalogue, which has been thoughtfully prepared to provide prospective students with comprehensive information about the prestigious Graduate Scholarship for Foreign Students (GSFS) at Seoul National University (SNU).

At SNU, we are deeply committed to fostering a global community of scholars and take great pride in sharing our rich cultural heritage and cutting-edge academic resources with students from around the world. The Graduate Scholarship for Foreign Students is a testament to this commitment, designed to support talented individuals like you in pursuing your aspirations of advanced study at our internationally acclaimed institution.
We extend our warmest invitation for you to become an integral part of our community—one with a distinguished past, a dynamic present, and an extraordinarily promising future.
We look forward to the possibility of welcoming you to Seoul National University and supporting you every step of the way on your remarkable academic journey.

1. Application for Scholarship

Candidates who wish to receive the GSFS scholarship **MUST** apply for admission to Seoul National University and submit the GSFS scholarship application simultaneously during the online admission process.

- Online Application (http://admission.snu.ac.kr)

<Application Timeline>

Please note the following important dates for **Spring 2027** admission

Important dates	Deadline	Notes
Application for Admission (Scholarship Application)	*By July 9, 2026 (Thursday) 5:00 PM 17:00 (KST)*	*Create an account at the SNU website and apply online (apply for scholarship at same time) (http://en.snu.ac.kr/apply/info) *There will be an application fee of KRW 90,000 (No waivers provided)
Announcement of Admissions Decision	*After 5:00 PM on Nov 20, 2026 (Friday)*	Results will be posted on the SNU website (http://en.snu.ac.kr/apply/announcements)
Notification of GSFS Results	*Early December 2026*	The GSFS recipient will be notified individually via e-mail. *E-mail will be sent only to final recipients of GSFS
Registration Period	*Dec 2026 ~ Jan 2027*	

☞ The dates above are subject to change depending on the circumstances.

<Eligibility for the GSFS>

To be considered for the Graduate Scholarship for Foreign Students (GSFS), applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria:

(a) Nationality: The applicant and both of their parents must not hold Korean nationality.

(b) Educational Background:

Applicants must have completed their entire formal education from primary school to the final degree required for the applied program outside of Korea.

- Applicants for Master's or Combined Master's & Doctoral Programs must have completed all education up to the Bachelor's degree outside of Korea.
- Applicants for Doctoral Programs must have completed all education up to the Master's degree outside of Korea.

(Short-term academic exchange programs such as exchange student programs undertaken in Korea are permitted. However, applicants who have obtained a degree from a Korean university, including through a dual-degree program, are NOT eligible.)

(c) Academic Qualifications: The applicant must hold an appropriate academic degree (or its recognized equivalent) from an accredited institution outside Korea, as follows:

- For Master's or Combined Master's & Doctoral Programs: A bachelor's degree or higher
- For Doctoral Programs: A master's degree or higher

(d) Program Selection: The applicant must apply to one of the designated colleges or schools participating in the GSFS Program for the Spring 2027 intake. (Please refer to the list of participating colleges/schools provided elsewhere in this catalogue.)

(e) Admission to SNU: The applicant must not only apply but also be successfully admitted to Seoul National University for the Spring 2027 semester.

<Selection Criteria>

The evaluation and selection of GSFS recipients are conducted independently by each graduate school at Seoul National University. This decentralized approach allows for a comprehensive assessment tailored to the specific standards and requirements of each academic discipline.

When reviewing applications, the selection committees consider a holistic range of factors to identify outstanding candidates. These factors include:

· The applicant's overall academic trajectory and potential

· Performance in previous studies, as evidenced by transcripts and grades
·The quality and feasibility of the proposed study plan
·The depth and sincerity of the personal statement
·Any additional achievements or qualifications relevant to the chosen field of study

·Applicants who hold nationality of countries that are not classified as "Advanced Economies" by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) will be given priority consideration.

<List of Countries>

Applicants who hold the nationality of countries not listed below will be given priority	
United States	The Netherlands
Japan	Portugal
Austria	Slovak Republic
Belgium	Slovenia
Cyprus	Spain
Estonia	Canada
Finland	United Kingdom
France	Andorra
Germany	Australia
Greece	Czech Republic
Ireland	Denmark
Italy	Hong Kong
Latvia	Iceland
Lithuania	Israel
Luxembourg	Macao
New Zealand	Puerto Rico
Norway	Singapore
San Marino	Switzerland
Sweden	Malta
Taiwan	

*Only those who apply for the below designated college/school are eligible for Spring 2027

<Available Spots>

No.	College / Graduate School	Number of Openings
1	College of Social Sciences	1
2	College of Natural Sciences	2
3	College of Nursing	1
4	College of Engineering	5
5	College of Agriculture and Life Sciences	1
6	College of Human Ecology	2
7	College of Veterinary Medicine	1

8	College of Pharmacy	1
9	College of Medicine	2
10	Graduate School of Public Health	1
11	Graduate School of Environmental Studies	1
12	Graduate School of International Studies	1
13	Graduate School of Dentistry	1
14	Graduate School of Convergence Science and Technology	1
15	Graduate School of International Agricultural Technology	1
	Total	**22**

2. Scholarship Benefits

<Tuition fee Support>

Recipients of this scholarship will receive a full waiver of the admission fee and tuition fees for up to two academic years (four semesters). The application fee (KRW 90,000) is not covered and must be paid during the online admission application process.

The recipient must maintain an average grade point of 3.0/4.3 and above in order to sustain the scholarship (Assessment will be done at the end of each semester)

<Living Support>

Monthly Stipends:
-at least KRW 500,000/1 year (Master program applicants)
-at least KRW 500,000/2 years (Doctorate program applicants)
※ Please note that the monthly amount and the duration of the stipend may vary depending on the individual college/school.

Contact details about the scholarship staff at each college/school will be available after you get an acceptance letter from SNU.

<Other Assistance provided>

The Office of Global Affairs (OGA) will provide GSFS students with the following additional assistance:

(a) Issuance of Certificate of Admission and Information Guide

(b) Registration Management

<Restrictions>

In principle, scholarship recipients are restricted from taking leave of absence. In the case you must take leave of absence due to special reasons, please contact the SNU Office of Global Affairs (OGA) and your affiliated college/school in advance.