Choosing Your Major

You are eligible to apply for any major, except those in the College of Medicine, Nursing, Education, School of Smart Mobility, and the Cyber Defense, Semiconductor Engineering and Communications Engineering. (Check the list of majors available for English-track students on our website)

Admission Timeline (Planned)

- Online Application: Spring (August) / Fall (January)
- Document Submission: Spring (August) / Fall (January)
- Notice of Acceptance: Spring (November) / Fall (January)
- Registration: Spring (January) / Fall (January)

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New Division Specially designed for International Students

• Gain your studies through foundational courses designed specifically for first-year international students
• Choose your major from a wide variety of disciplines, ranging from liberal arts and social sciences to natural sciences and engineering; upon completion of the first-year foundational courses

You Will Be

• Experienced with working in multicultural work environments
• Equipped with a profound understanding of the rapidly changing global environment and have the capacity to address global issues using analytical and creative approaches
• Prepared to proactively engage with problems affecting the international community based on your academic expertise

What is Special about the ‘Global Open Major’

Tailored foundational education for international students in their first year, followed by freedom to select a major that aligns with their interests

You can select from over 60 diverse majors across a wide spectrum of disciplines

Students can select either the Korean Language Track or the English Language Track

Korean language courses available for various levels for the first year before choosing your major

Intensive Korean writing training offered to students who choose the Korean Language Track

Major Exploration Program available as part of the First-Year Foundational Courses to help students select the right major

Tailored administrative services for international students in the first year before selecting a major, as part of the GlobalOpen Major Division

Networking with students from the College of International Studies (Princeton Global Open Major students belong to the GlobalOpen Major Division, where the proportion of international students is high)

Why Korea? Why Korea Univ.?

Why Korea?

Strong industries in the electronics, semiconductor and IT/5G-related defense sectors

Korea’s growing cultural and arts industries

Higher in the QS World University Rankings

Why Korea University?

Harvard 74th in the QS World University Rankings

The one of the strongest alumni networks in the nation

Wealth of extra-curricular events for students such as the Annual Inter-Korean and broader South Korea University-wide Festival, KU Global Leadership Program (scholarship), and exchange student program with 1000 universities across the globe

Specialized Academic Curriculum

• Korean I, II, III, and IV are offered as elective courses for students whose proficiency in the Korean language is equivalent to TOEIC levels 300-500 and 600-800
• Korean writing courses for various levels, intensive Korean reading courses covering various topics and major-specific Korean language courses (humanities/social sciences or natural science/engineering) are all offered
• Exploration courses are offered so students can get a taste of majors of interest before making a final decision
• International Seminars are offered to facilitate interaction between faculty members and students, ensuring that students hit the ground running.