KAIST

KAIST is the first and top science and technology university in Korea. KAIST was established in 1971 by the Korean government to educate elite scientists and engineers committed to industrialization and economic growth in Korea. Since then, KAIST has been the gateway to advanced science and technology, innovation, and entrepreneurship. KAIST has now emerged as the most innovative global institution with more than 11,500 students enrolled in five colleges and six schools.

Asia’s 1st Most Innovative University in 2016-2018

2019 QS World University Ranking : 40th

Winner of DARPA Robotics Challenge 2015, DRC-Hubo, humanoid robot developed by KAIST
We invite you to come and experience innovative teaching and the blending of cultures at KAIST this summer at the 2019 KAIST International Summer School Program. This experience will most-definitely broaden your cultural understanding, deepen your intellectual capacity, and expand your network of friendships. We believe that 2019 KISS will provide a wonderful environment and program that will serve as a catalyst in formulating new friendships and pleasant memories that can be shared around the world.

**Important Date**

- **Class period**: July 1st ~ 26th
- **Online Application**: January 7th ~
- **Early Bird Application Deadline**: March 15th
- **Track 1 Application Deadline**: May 24th
- **Track 2 Application Deadline**: April 24th

Welcome to KAIST International Summer School
Eligibility

- Undergraduate and Graduate Students from Partner Universities
- GPA (Grade Point Average) of 3.0 or better on a 4.3 point scale
- Applicants from institutions where the primary medium of instruction is not English are expected to submit English test scores (TOEFL iBT: 80, IELTS: overall band 6.0, TOEIC: 800)

Course-oriented program

3 Credits Courses
- Basic Korean 1A (Morning)
- Basic Korean 1B (Afternoon)
- Big Data and Language*
- Vision, Brain and Art
- Idea and Expression
- Bioinformatics*
- Biomedical Imaging*

- College Chemistry*
- Special Topics in Mechanical Engineering (Introduction to Environment and Ocean Physics)
- Materials Characterization
- Nano-Biomaterials*
- Nanomaterials Science & Technology

1 Credits Course
- Understanding Startups
- Startup Simulation Games

※ Education 4.0 Programs: Unlike courses, courses classified as Education 4.0 will focus more on interactive activities and discussions instead of lectures. (Courses with * mark)
※ Classes are subject to change.

Tuition
- KRW 1,200,000 for 1 course (3 credit)
- KRW 2,400,000 for 2 courses (6 credit)
- KRW 1,600,000 for 3 credit course + 1 credit course (4 credits)

Research-oriented program

There are no designated departments and labs for this program. Students will have the freedom to pick which department and lab they wish to join, which they must indicate in our online application.

Upon submission of application, KAIST will contact the department and lab to see if there are spaces available. Information on KAIST departments and labs are available at [http://www.kaist.edu](http://www.kaist.edu)

Tuition
- KRW 1,500,000

※ There is no tuition exemption for Individual Research Program.

Cost

- Application Fee: 100,000 KRW
- Program Fee (Field Trip, Accommodation, etc.): 900,000 KRW
Cultural Activities
- Field Trip & Temple Stay
- Dado & Meditation
  (Korean traditional tea drinking)
- Multicultural Tile Painting
- Taekwondo
Testimony 🗣️

Personally, it was the people with whom I spent the time left me the most profound impression instead of modern conglomerate, historic temples, etc. In this program, it is literally inspiring that you will befriend people with distinct background but the same passion, positivity, sincerity and simplicity. Thanks 2018-KISS!

- Kasch GUO, City University of Hong Kong

Thank you so much for your work and KISS program made me feel blessed when I was in South Korea. The professors are quite enthusiastic and helpful. And the students in KAIST are so smart and diligent which impresses me a lot.

The cultural excursions to Jeju, muju and mud festival are awesome and well organized. And the cultural experience classes (eg. cooking session, taekwondo, and ballet Pilate etc.) are impressive.

Overall, this summer KISS filled me with affluent knowledge, enthralling culture experience, indelible joy, and awesome friends from all over the world. I am also filled with gratitude to be a summer exchange student in KAIST.

- Chan Wing Yu, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

These four weeks were life-changing and one of the best months in my travel journal. It was a privilege to study at KAIST with the adept academic staff and brilliant peer students from all over the world. At last but not least, I’m pleased to offer credits to one and all who contributed for the outstanding success of this exchange.

- Kasun Kalhara, Queensland University of Technology