

Fall 2020

NIIED GKS & YONSEI GSIS ADMISSIONS GUIDELINE



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ABOUT YONSEI GSIS

Thank you for your interest in the Yonsei Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS). The Graduate School of International Studies lies at the center of Yonsei's commitment to internationalization and the education of global leaders. Yonsei GSIS was first established in 1987, motivated by a desire to meet the growing demand for international academic institutions, and was the first professional school dedicated exclusively to international studies in Korea. International students from all over the world provide a unique, multicultural learning environment where diversity is not just a slogan, but an enduring feature of the school's globalized student culture.

The core mission of Yonsei GSIS is to educate and train global leaders who transform themselves so that they can transform the world. In order to achieve this goal, programs at Yonsei GSIS offer a dynamic and rigorous curriculum taught by Korea's leading academics, equipping students with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to excel in the public and private sectors of the global arena.

This admissions guideline provides information pertaining to the application process, eligibility, and admissions criteria. Should you have any further questions or seek additional information, please contact our staff at the information listed below.

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YONSEI GSIS PROGRAMS

Yonsei GSIS offers Master and Doctoral Programs in the following fields:

Master's Degree		Doctoral Degree	
Program	Degree	Program	Degree
Korean Studies	Master of Arts in Korean Studies (MKS)	Korean Studies	Ph.D. in Korean Studies
Global Studies: International Cooperation (PIC)	Master of Global Affairs & Policy (MGAP)	International Cooperation	Ph.D. in International Studies (International Relations)
Global Studies: International Trade, Finance & Management (ITFM)	Master of Global Economy & Strategy (MGES)	International Trade & Finance	Ph.D. in International Studies (International Political Economy)
		International Management	Ph.D. in Strategy & Organization

ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

Admissions Period	February 12 (Wed), 2020 to March 12 (Thurs), 2020 (by 17:00 KST)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The program begins on September 1, 2020 (Tues). • Click "Online Application" located in the International Students tab and create an account. Online Application • All documents must either be post mailed or delivered in person (University Track). • The documents must arrive at the Yonsei GSIS office by the designated deadline.

NIIED REQUIREMENTS

Visit the [NIIED website](#) for complete details of the program.

Regardless of whether you submit an application through the Embassy or University track, you must submit all required documents in one package, as indicated in our guideline. Yonsei GSIS requires supplementary documents, in addition to NIIED's requirement documents. Please read the 2020 GKS FAQ for information on universities requiring additional documentation.

For University Track applications, you only need to submit **one** original application package.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE APPLYING

SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS

- All submitted records and documents become the property of Yonsei GSIS and **will not be returned** to the students in any case.
- Applicants who transferred schools during their studies must submit their complete academic records from all of the applicable institutions, including transcripts and certificates of graduation/attendance.
- All documents must be in English. If documents are in another language, the applicant must submit a notarized/certified translation into English.
- If an applicant's personal information has been modified (i.e. change in name, nationality, etc.), the applicant should submit a photocopy of the document that records the change.
- All documents must be submitted by the application deadline in order to be considered for admission.
- You must use the GKS forms provided.

OTHER

- Yonsei GSIS does not disclose information related to the process of admissions decisions. Please do not contact the GSIS faculty for updates or information regarding admissions or financial decisions.
- Should the student be an expected graduate from an undergraduate program, then an offer of admission is not binding until the GSIS office verifies that the student has graduated with a bachelor's degree.
- The admissions board reserves the right to request an interview from the applicant. If an interview is requested, the applicant will be notified.
- Yonsei GSIS welcomes students from diverse academic backgrounds, recognizing that different fields of expertise provide unique perspectives, contributing to an actively advancing learning atmosphere.
- If you are accepted as a GKS scholar and enter the program in Fall 2020, you must submit an apostille of your transcript to Yonsei GSIS by the end of September 2020.

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION

ELIGIBILITY

- Both the applicant and their parents are **not** citizens of Korea.
 - Ethnic Koreans with foreign citizenship must submit documents proving the renunciation of Korean citizenship for both them **and** their parents by the application deadline.
- Applicants to the **master program** must hold, or expect to hold prior to entering Yonsei GSIS, a bachelor's degree or its equivalent (or higher) degree from an accredited college or university.
- Applicants to the **doctoral program** must hold, or expect to hold prior to entering Yonsei GSIS, a master's degree or its equivalent (or higher) degree from an accredited college or university.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

✦ **SUBMISSIONS VIA EMAIL ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**

✦ **ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE IN ENGLISH.** If documents are in another language, the applicant must submit the original notarized/certified translation into English.

No.	Documents	Submission
1	GKS Application Form [GKS Form 1]	
2	GSIS Online Application (Link) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your name should match the name on your passport exactly. 	
3	Personal Statement [GKS Form 2]	
4	Statement of Purpose [GKS Form 3]	
5	GKS Applicant Agreement [GKS Form 7]	
6	Personal Medical Assessment [GKS Form 8]	
7-1	Official Bachelor's Diploma or Graduation Certificate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A photocopy of the official bachelor's diploma or graduation certificate. • Prospective graduating students should submit their certificate/letter of expected graduation or certificate of enrollment (original). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The expected date of graduation should be written on the certificate. – The anticipated date must be prior to the start of the semester. 	
7-2	✦ (Original) Official Bachelor's Transcript <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official transcripts must be officially issued and sealed by your undergraduate institution. Under no circumstances should you open these envelopes. Opened envelopes are invalid. The sealed transcript may be included in your application package or sent by the Institution directly to the GSIS office. • For schools that use a third-party service like National Student Clearing House or Parchment, your transcript must be sent directly by the service. • If you have previously transferred schools or participated in exchange/study abroad programs, you must submit transcripts from those schools as well, unless the transferred credits and grades are clearly stated on your primary transcript. • <i>If your transcript has been translated and notarized or apostilled, you do not need to submit an additional sealed copy.</i> 	

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8	<p>❖ (Original) Two Letters of Recommendation [GKS Form 5]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The letters must be sealed, with the recommender's signature over the envelope's seal. <i>Opened letters are considered invalid.</i> All letters of recommendation must be written in English. 	
	<p>❖ (Original) Proof of English Language Proficiency</p> <p>You only need one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TOEFL (iBT only), IELTS, and TOEIC English Proficiency Tests are accepted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you took the IELTS exam, you only need to submit a copy in your application package. We can use the TRF code to verify your scores. TOEFL scores can be sent electronically to C455 (Yonsei University – Graduate School of International Studies). This requirement will be waived if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant is a native speaker from one of the following countries: <i>United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, or South Africa</i>. The applicant has completed high school OR undergraduate in English for 2 years or more and submits proof of the medium of English instruction. For other situations where an applicant considers their English proficiency sufficient, submit a waiver request form [Form 3]. The request may or may not be approved. 	
10	<p>Copy of Applicant's Passport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The passport must be valid. If you are currently residing in South Korea, please submit a copy of your existing ARC. 	
	<p>Copies of Both Parents' Passports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The passports must be valid. In the case that your parents do not possess passports, other documents proving their nationality will be accepted. In the case of divorce or death, related documents should be submitted. You do not have to submit the corresponding parent's passport. 	
12	<p>Proof of Family Relationship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A copy of a birth certificate or household register that clearly indicates the relationship between the applicant and their parents. In the case of adoption, adoption documents should be submitted. 	
	<p>Two Passport-sized Photos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White or blue background, standard size (3.5 x 4.5 cm). 	
14	Agreement for Collection and Use of Personal Data [GSIS Form 6]	
15	TOPIK Exam Scores (if applicable)	
The following documents are additionally required for the doctoral program only:		
16	Research Proposal [GKS Form 4]	
17	<p>Writing Sample</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Master's Thesis, Graduate Term Paper, or Published Papers (min. 40 pages, English) 	
18-1	Official Master's Diploma or Graduation Certificate	
18-2	❖ (Original) Official Master's Transcript	

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