We strive for competence, for awareness, and most of all for that which really matters; citizenship. Citizenship that embraces but transcends national borders, citizenship that compels us to lead but also to serve, and citizenship that celebrates unique heritage while strengthening universal values.

While one gains national citizenship as a birthright, global citizenship is attained when one earns it.
Pioneering institutions across all fields have two common key ingredients: a focused mission and great people to fulfill it. As Korea’s first professional school dedicated exclusively to global affairs, Yonsei University’s Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS) has one overriding mission: to enable our graduates to become members of a “Global Corps.”

For those of you who are imbued with international genes but also want to experience Asia, Yonsei GSIS offers the best of both worlds: immersing yourself in an outstanding interdisciplinary program with hands-on exposure to Asia’s unfolding opportunities and challenges. Within a 100-minute flight from Seoul lies Beijing, Tokyo, and Shanghai—three of the most dynamic, historically significant, and culturally diverse cities in Asia.

Whether you plan on becoming an analyst on the cutting edge of risk management, negotiating trade deals, helping the poor, or fighting for human rights and human dignity, GSIS offers you exceptional education programs and cutting-edge research courses. Our distinguished faculty who are dedicated to excellence in teaching, research, and mentoring stand ready to put your ideals into practice.

Dual degree and exchange programs with leading partnership schools in Asia, the United States, and Europe also enable our students to graduate with a key competitive edge. As a member of the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA), the GSIS also draws upon a network of top schools worldwide. Yet the most important and enduring asset of the GSIS is our unique student culture, with the highest foreign student enrollment in Korea. This unique melting pot will result in life-long friendships and the ability to master contrasting prisms and paradigms.

Make GSIS your next home, join the GSIS family and rediscover yourself, Asia, and the world. As you do so, we hope you will become passionate change agents, principled leaders, and architects for the 21st century.
Yonsei GSIS has given me the opportunity to traverse into new areas of learning of which I previously had limited knowledge. Having a background in communications and working in the media industry for many years, I was searching for an opportunity to expand my knowledge of international affairs, finance and economics that was taught in-depth with varied perspectives and political scope. The program has, so far, proven to help me fortify my existing foundations in developing my academic pursuits as well as fostering lifelong friendships. I recommend this program for anyone seeking similar aspirations in their career path.

My experience at GSIS has become an important footing to build a professional career. What I appreciated the most was the variety of in depth classes Yonsei GSIS offered, such as political economy and international law courses, which enhanced my knowledge in issues related to climate change and constructed a firm theoretical basis. Furthermore, GSIS’s strong overseas network and advanced debate culture have stood me in good stead in terms of improving my English skills and for expanding my horizon of possibilities.

My time at Yonsei GSIS has been enriching and enlightening. Studying under professors with not only academic but also professional expertise has been rewarding, as I have gained valuable insights from their experiences in the field. However, I am also learning a lot from my fellow students as we participate in discussions, both inside and outside the classroom. Studying alongside such a diverse group of people from different cultural, linguistic, and philosophical backgrounds creates an incredibly dynamic environment in which I feel privileged to take part. Simultaneously building friendships and engaging in constructive debates and relevant discussions has enabled me to widen my perspectives and work towards becoming a better global citizen. As such, I look forward to my remaining semesters and the further opportunities and interactions I will have as a member of GSIS’s unique international community.

I decided that I wanted to take the next step forward in my life after living in Korea for several years. Many Koreans had recommended Yonsei to me as a viable option for postgraduate studies. With Yonsei’s excellent reputation as a top-notch academic institute and GSIS’s well established Korean Studies curriculum, I knew that GSIS would enable me to pursue my academic interests and delve deeper into Korean issues. GSIS has the right balance of academics and extracurricular activities, which has given me the opportunity to develop bonds with my classmates that will last a lifetime. GSIS’s diverse student body has also given me the unique opportunity to meet people from all walks of life from around the world in one location.

A profession in International Development requires broad understanding in Economics, Social Studies, and IR, along with seasoned skills of problem solving, effective communication and negotiation. Without hesitation, my choice was Yonsei GSIS with its vast selection of interdisciplinary courses taught by the best faculty members, true international learning environment with people from a wide range of cultures, nations, religions and ethnicities, and strong base of alumni network in this field. If you are looking for intellectual challenge, lifetime mentors, and true friendship, Yonsei GSIS is the answer!
degrees and programs

Korean Studies Program (KSP)
Program in International Cooperation (PIC)
International Trade, Finance & Management Program (ITFM)
Dual Degrees and Exchange Programs
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**Programs and Fields of Concentration**

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Korean Studies Program (KSP)

The KSP has grown into one of the premier centers for Korean studies with an emphasis on internationalizing Korean studies. The program covers the political, sociological, historical, economic, and contemporary dimensions of Korean studies while maintaining various outreach programs.

Curriculum Structure

1. Core Courses:
   All students must complete two common courses during their first semester. If all the requirements desired for the course are met, then you are eligible to waive the class.
   a) Research Design & Methods OR Statistics and Data Analysis (select ONE)
   b) Introduction to International Economics OR International Relations (select ONE)

2. KSP required courses
   - Korean Society & Culture
   - Modern Korean History

3. Fields of Concentration
   Students are required to choose 4 courses from one chosen field of concentration. The fields are as follows:
   
   01 Korean History, Society & Culture
   02 Korean Politics & Economy

4. Korean Language Requirement:
   International students in KSP are required to complete Level 4 of the course “Korean Language and Communication” or pass the Korean Language Examination (TOPIK).

Course List

The following courses, listed by field, are offered.

**Korean History, Society & Culture**
- Confucianism, Identity & Order in Korean History
- Cultural History of Korean Modernity
- Seminar in Modern Korean History
- Gender & Society
- History of the Korean Culture and Media Industry
- Korean Wave and Media
- East Asian Cinema
- North Korean History
- Social Movements and Civil Society
- The History of Popular Culture in Korea
- Traditional Korean History
- Gender and Sexuality in Korean Film and Literature
- Understanding Popular Music and Korean Society

**Korean Politics and Economy**
- Korean Economy and Business
- Korean Politics and Democratization
- North Korean Politics and Society
- Economic Institution and Policy in Korea
- Political Economy of Korean Development

The Ph.D. Program in Korean Studies

The Ph.D. program in Korean Studies is designed to address the diverse professional and academic objectives of today’s students. This program offers an interdisciplinary curriculum combining history, sociology, political science, and economy. Admission to the program is competitive and limited to candidates with an M.A. degree in the humanities or social sciences.

The curriculum encompasses the two fields of the Korean Studies Program: 1) Korean History, Society & Culture, 2) Korean Politics & Economy. To fulfill all requirements for a Ph.D., a student must complete all course requirements (48 credit units) that include program required courses, and complete both fields listed above. GSIS students with an M.A. degree and students with an equivalent educational background can have their credits transferred, up to a maximum of 24 credits, and can have required courses waived with permission.
Program in International Cooperation (PIC)

The PIC trains future leaders with a focused but also increasingly diverse exposure to major trends and issues in international affairs, global security, international crises, the world economy, and non-traditional security challenges such as global warming.

Curriculum Structure

1. Core Courses:
   All students must complete three common courses during their first semester. If all the requirements desired for the course are met, then you are eligible to waive the class.
   - Research Design & Methods OR Statistics and Data Analysis (select ONE)
   - Introduction to International Economics
   - International Relations

2. Fields of Concentration
   Students are required to choose 4 courses from one chosen field of concentration. The fields are as follows:

   **International Security & Foreign Policy**
   - American Foreign Policy since 1945
   - Asia’s Rise and the Rest of the World
   - US-China Relations
   - Crisis Management
   - Seminar on Global Security
   - Intelligence and National Security
   - International Relations in East Asia
   - International Conflict and Its Resolution
   - Nuclear Issues in Global Affairs
   - Seminar on International News Analysis
   - Small States in International Relations
   - Seminar on Theories of International Relations

   **International Development Cooperation**
   - Culture and Development
   - Culture and Globalization
   - East Asian Political Economy and Development
   - NGOs and Development
   - Sustainable Development and Environment Policy
   - Sustainable Development and Energy Policy

   **International Law & Organization**
   - Humanitarian Aid in International Politics
   - International Law
   - International Environmental Law
   - Race, Gender and Global Migration
   - Human Rights and Development
   - Culture, Institution and Development Policy
   - Seminar on Global Political Economy
   - UN and International Organizations

   **East Asian Studies**
   - China and the Korean Peninsula
   - Modern China’s Rise
   - Contemporary Social Dynamics in East Asia
   - Contemporary Issues in East Asia
   - Seminar in Japanese Economy
   - Japanese Politics and Foreign Policy
   - Modern Korea-Japanese Relations
   - Trade and Finances of Japan
   - Political Economy of Japan
   - Management and Investment in China

   The Ph.D. Program in International Studies (International Relations)

The Ph.D. program is intended for scholars and professionals with interests in either academic or policy-making careers requiring advanced knowledge of diverse disciplines including political science, economics and public policy. It is appropriate only for a select number of students with career interests in research and teaching as well as in public policy. In addition to the above-mentioned disciplines, Ph.D. candidates, before graduation, must demonstrate proficiency in analytical and empirical methods, foreign language, and a chosen field of concentration. Admission to the program requires an M.A. degree from a recognized graduate program.

To fulfill all requirements for a Ph.D., a student must complete all course requirements (48 credit units) that include the program required courses and select two fields from the above. GSIS students with an M.A. degree and students with an equivalent educational background can have their credits transferred up to a maximum of 24 credits, and can have required courses waived with permission.
International Trade, Finance & Management Program (ITFM)

The International Trade, Finance, and Management Program (ITFM) offers an innovative and specialized curriculum to train future leaders to fulfill diverse professional and academic needs in the areas of international trade, finance, and management.

Curriculum Structure

1. Core Courses:
   All students must complete three common courses during their first semester. If all the requirements desired for the course are met, then you are eligible to waive the class.
   - Research Design & Methods OR Statistics and Data Analysis (select ONE)
   - Introduction to International Economics
   - International Relations

2. Fields of Concentration
   Students are required to choose 4 courses from one chosen field of concentration. The fields are as follows:
   - International Trade & Economic Development
   - Global Finance & Economy
   - Global Strategy & Management

Course List

The following courses, listed by field, are offered.

**International Trade & Economic Development**
- Quantitative Methods for Policy Analysis
- Economics of International Development
- International Political Economy
- International Trade Law and Policy
- Korean Economic Development
- Law and Development
- International Business Law
- Theory and Practice of Negotiation
- Understanding Free Trade Agreements
- ICT and Development

**Global Finance and Economy**
- Corporate Finance
- Corporate Finance Law and Practice
- Financial Institutions and Global Financial System
- International Finance
- Financial Derivatives
- Project Financing
- International Trade
- International Money and Capital Markets
- Investment and Risk Management
- Topics in Global Finance Management

**Global Strategy and Management**
- Comparative Corporate Law and Governance
- Competition and Industry Analysis
- Seminar in Strategic Management
- Global IT Management
- Global Organization & Leadership
- Digital Business and Standardization
- Strategic Management & Global Competition
- Economics of Cultural Industries

The Ph.D. program in International Studies (International Political Economy)

The Ph.D. program is designed to address the diverse professional and academic objectives of exceptional candidates interested in pursuing in-depth research into aspects of international political economy. The Ph.D. program offers an interdisciplinary curriculum combining political science, economics, finance, and trade. Admission to the program is limited to candidates with advanced knowledge in one of these disciplines and an M.A. degree.

Candidates must complete a total of 48 credit units including required courses and at least five elective courses from two selected fields in the ITFM Program. For successful completion, Ph.D. candidates are required to pass a comprehensive examination, after which the candidate must complete a doctoral dissertation that provides a significant contribution to the scholarship of international management. GSIS students with an M.A. degree and students with an equivalent educational background can have their credits transferred up to a maximum of 24 credits, and can have required courses waived with permission.

The Ph.D. Program in Strategy and Organization

The Ph.D. program is designed for students interested in pursuing an in-depth study of international management with an interdisciplinary curriculum combining economics and management including finance, accounting, marketing, and strategy. Admission to the program is limited to those who have advanced knowledge in related disciplines. The research program and coursework especially emphasize the synthesis of rigorous theories and their practical applications with an objective to help students achieve diverse professional and academic objectives in their own future careers.

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As part of the GSIS Program, students can either participate in GSIS’s exclusive dual degree programs or Yonsei University’s extensive exchange programs with more than 670 partner institutions.

Dual Degrees

Graduate School of Media and Governance, Keio University, Japan

The Graduate School of Media and Governance offers eight different programs that include four English-based and four Japanese-based programs. The students are expected to learn new methodologies, pursue specialized research, and gain expertise by joining one of the eight programs,

- English-based programs: Human Security and Communication (HSC), Environmental Design and Governance (EG), Cyber Informatics (CI), Systems Biology (SB)
- Japanese-based programs: Global Governance and Regional Strategy (GGRS), Policy Making and Social Innovation (PMSI), Cognition, Sense-Making and Biophysical Skills (CSB), X-Design (XD)

Harris Graduate School of Public Policy Studies, University of Chicago, USA

The Harris School of Public Policy is the public policy school of the University of Chicago. The school is consistently ranked in the top five policy analysis schools in the United States. Furthermore, the Harris School is known for its curricular interactions with the University-at-large, with students drawing upon the offerings of the Booth School of Business, Law School, School of Social Service Administration, and the Graduate Division of the Social Sciences. Comprised of a core curriculum and electives in a variety of areas of focus, the one-year Master of Arts in Public Policy (MA) program is a professional degree program designed for students who wish to gain thorough training in public policy skills and issues. In addition to policy studies and policy analysis, the program requires students to pursue training in economics and statistics through core course requirements.

University of St. Gallen, Switzerland

Established in 1999, the University of St. Gallen is a leading business university in Switzerland and focuses on the fields of business administration, economics, law, social sciences and international affairs. The Financial Times of its annual rankings of European business schools, consistently recognizes the University of St. Gallen as one of the best in Europe. The Master’s Programme in International Affairs and Governance (MIA) provides a broad education in international affairs which integrates the specific perspectives of economics, political science, business administration and law. Accordingly, the program prepares students for professional careers in consulting firms, financial institutions, multinational corporations, government, development agencies, international organizations, diplomacy, the media, non-profit organizations as well as universities and research centers.

Leiden University, Netherlands

Founded in 1575, Leiden University is the oldest university in the Netherlands. The University is consistently ranked among the top 25 universities in the world and is among the oldest in England. King’s is located in London, and has students from some 150 countries worldwide. The University has a particularly distinguished reputation in the humanities, law, the sciences, and social sciences including international affairs. Emerging Economies & International Development MSc offers an interdisciplinary program that enables students from a wide range of academic backgrounds to study emerging economies and international development from a variety of different perspectives. The program covers subjects such as development theory, political economy, geography and social policy and gives students the opportunity to focus on particular countries and regions.

King’s College London, United Kingdom

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**Exchange Programs**

Yonsei University maintains Student Exchange Programs with more than 650 schools around the world. The number of students selected for exchange exceeds 1,000 annually, which is the largest number among all Korean universities. Please note that GSIS students are only eligible to go on an exchange program during their third semester.

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**America**

- Argentina
  - Universidad de Salvador
- Canada
  - University of Western Ontario - Richard Ivey School of Business
  - University of Toronto
  - Brock University
  - University of British Columbia
- U.S.A.
  - Northwestern University - Kellogg School of Management
  - New York University
  - Tufts University - Fletcher School
  - California State University Long Beach
  - Oregon University System
  - Brandeis International Business School
  - Indiana University
  - Northern State University
  - Oklahoma State University
  - Old Dominion University
  - SUNY - Albany
  - Syracuse University
  - Thunderbird: AOSIM
  - University of Alabama
  - University of Michigan
  - University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
  - University of North Carolina - Greensboro
  - University of Texas at Arlington
  - University of Washington
  - University of South Florida
- Mexico
  - Universidad de Monterrey
  - Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Occidente

**Europe & Middle East**

- Belgium
  - Université Catholique
  - Louvain - The Louvain School of Management
- Czech
  - University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) - Prague
- Denmark
  - University of Copenhagen
  - University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) - Copenhagen
- Finland
  - University of Jyväskylä
  - University of Kuopio
- France
  - Bordeaux Management School
  - Amiens PUC School of Management
  - ESSEC Business School
  - Hautes Études Commerciales Paris
  - INSA de Lyon
  - Institut Supérieur du Commerce - School of Management
  - University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) - Paris
- Germany
  - University of Hannover
  - Free University of Berlin
  - University of Erfurt
  - European Business School
  - University of Applied Sciences Pforzheim
  - University of Tubingen
  - University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) - Pforzheim
- Israel
  - Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Italy
  - Bocconi University
  - Bocconi University

**ASIA-PACIFIC**

- China
  - Jilin University
  - University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) - Chengdu and Shanghai
  - Fudan University
  - Tsinghua University
  - Wuhan University
  - Zhongshan Normal University
  - University of Indonesia
  - National University of Singapore - Business School
  - Kwansei Gakuin University
  - Keio University
  - International University of Japan
  - Tokyo Institute of Technology
  - Hosei University
  - Tohoku University
  - Academy of Arts and Design
  - University of Technology (Sydney)
  - University of Queensland
  - University of New South Wales
  - University of Technology (Sydney)
  - University of Technology (Sydney)
  - University of Sydney
  - University of Melbourne
  - Monash University
  - University of Otago

*The list of exchange universities is only for graduate level.*
admissions and general information

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Admissions

YONSEI GSIS encourages students to apply now. About 330 students from around the world take advantage of our innovative program.

All candidates must be graduates of a bachelor’s (or equivalent) degree program from a recognized college or university, either in Korea or abroad. Admission is based on a highly selective process. Key emphasis is placed on undergraduate GPA, the statement of purpose, letters of recommendation, work experience, and an interview. Korean and overseas Korean students are advised to refer to the website of Yonsei GSIS at http://gsis.yonsei.ac.kr.

**Important Dates**

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* For Korean students, dates will be announced each semester on the GSIS website.
** For overseas applicants, the interview will be conducted via Skype.

**Required Documents**

We require all documents to be in English or a certified English translation. Required documents may include: completed online application form, official transcripts of all undergraduate work / graduate work for PhD, Statement of Purpose, TOEFL, IELTS, or TOEIC scores and two letters of recommendation. Required documents may differ according to the admissions track. For more information about the required application documents, please refer to our website at http://gsis.yonsei.ac.kr.

**Countries:**

Republic of Korea, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Georgia, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, USA, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet Nam

**Student Body Profile (Fall 2019)**

- Korea : 109
- Asia : 108
- America : 43
- Europe : 59
- Etc : 12

33% Korea
32.6% Asia
17.8% Europe
13% Americas
3.6% Etc
Tuition
As of Fall 2019, tuition for one semester at the GSIS is ₩7,020,000 (for all students, Korean and non-Korean). First semester students must also pay an entrance fee of ₩1,195,000; thus for first semester students, tuition is ₩8,215,000. Estimated Budget per Semester (in US dollars)

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USD 1=₩1,100 (as of Fall 2019)

Scholarship Programs
Incoming Students Award
A. Qualification: Newly-admitted international students
B. Types: Full or half-tuition for the first semester
C. How to apply: All students applying for GSIS will automatically be considered as scholarship candidates. Scholarship recipients are selected from admitted applicants according to their academic credentials. A scholarship offer will be enclosed in the admission packet and sent to the recipients individually.

Need-based Scholarship
A. Qualification: Currently-enrolled GSIS students
B. Types: Half or one-third tuition per semester
C. How to apply: Need-based scholarship will be announced at the end of each semester for students in need of financial aid. Applicants must submit an application form and required documents, which will be reviewed by the scholarship committee.

Merit-based Scholarship
A. Qualification: Currently-enrolled GSIS students
B. Types: Full or half-tuition per semester
C. How to apply: Students with a GPA of 4.0 or above will automatically be considered for a merit-based scholarship in the following semester.

Other Scholarship Opportunities
There are various scholarship programs at GSIS for Korean and non-Korean students. For example, in the Work-Study Scholarship Program, there are research and teaching assistantships and office assistantships available. Internship scholarships and student activity scholarships are also available. International students may be eligible for the Korean Government Scholarship Program, the Posco-Asia Fellowship, and others. When such opportunities arise, the GSIS office will announce them to all eligible GSIS students.
The career process is a journey of self-discovery. The GSIS Career Development Center (CDC) fosters active and open-minded collaboration with students during the process. In this supportive environment, GSIS students learn to identify their goals and interests, to manage a complex process, and to make sound and informed decisions about internships and full-time jobs.

Under Senior Advisor Namuh Rhee’s supervision, the CDC will help you focus and apply your initiative and energy to take ownership of your career and professional development.

Namuh Rhee is the Senior Advisor at Yonsei GSIS CDC. He was Managing Director and Co-Head of Merrill Lynch in Korea. Prior to that, he was the President and CIO of Rhee Capital in Singapore. He was one of the first Koreans to establish a hedge fund for international investors. Over a 29-year span with investment banks and brokerage firms including JP Morgan and Samsung Securities, he became known for his innovative work in equity analysis and investment strategy. He has served on the boards of several major corporations and financial institutions including Citibank Korea, Korea Investment Management, and Mando China Holdings. He received his BA in financial institutions including Citibank Korea, Korea Investment Management, and Mando China Holdings. He received his BA in finance from Seoul National University and his MBA from the University of Management, and Mando China Holdings. He received his BA in finance from Seoul National University and his MBA from the University of Management, and Mando China Holdings.

The CDC provides coaching on writing resumes - both content and design - acceptable by professional service industries and international organizations.

Mock Interviews
Through role-playing and practice interviews that are video-recorded, you can build confidence and prepare for the actual interview. Based on your preference, mock interviews can be conducted in English or Korean.

Information Delivery
The CDC has posted more than 1,500 full-time jobs and internships in the past twelve months. Most relevant job information for GSIS students is updated on: 1) GSIS CDC website; 2) Facebook (“Yonsei GSIS Careers”); and 3) Campus bulletin boards. The CDC website offers vital job information across industries (private, public, NGO and international organizations) and countries in all one convenient place.

Internship Program

Private Sector and Journalism

Non-Profit Organizations and Academia
Office of Development and Alumni Relations (ODAR)

Yonsei GSIS Alumni Association

Since its establishment in 1987, the Yonsei GSIS has produced almost 3,000 graduates, necessitating the creation of a new Alumni Association. The Alumni Association will work to connect current and former students with each other, both for social and professional benefit. The Office of Development and Alumni Relations (ODAR) will support the program to keep alumni engaged and up to date on current GSIS work. Encouraging GSIS alumni to be an active part of the school community is a priority, and one that will assist both current students and graduates. The president is Mr. Hong Ji Man, a former member of the National Assembly, and the vice president is Ms. Soo Eun Kyung, a journalist at Bloomberg. In addition to them, the Alumni Association is comprised of members from various class years.

Alumni Chapters

Part of this effort has been the establishment of local Yonsei GSIS alumni chapters located in international hubs such as Shanghai (the flagship chapter), New York, Tokyo, Taipei, Chicago, Hong Kong, Barcelona, and Singapore. Each local club will bring their specialty to the fore when planning their events and helping our current GSIS students. For example, students interested in finance can consult chapters in Hong Kong and Singapore, while those with a bent for International Relations can get in touch with the Washington DC chapter. As the number of GSIS graduates continues to grow and settle in major international hubs, we hope local alumni clubs continue to proliferate and offer opportunities for generations of GSIS students.

Meeting Alumni through interviews

To put a face on the opportunities awaiting Yonsei GSIS graduates, the ODAR office interviews prominent local and international alumni and makes the transcripts available online for current GSIS students.

Peter Y. Kim ’96, Investment Manager at HSBC Korea

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Where Yonsei GSIS Graduates Work

Presently, Yonsei GSIS alumni can be found working abroad in a range of institutions around the globe, from leading international and governmental bodies, NGOs, and multinational entities, to the media, academia, think-tanks, embassies and the private sector. ODAR is currently working to establish a worldwide alumni network, recognizing the importance of alumni as one of the most valuable assets graduates can have for job search, business and social contacts.

1. International Organizations / Foreign Governments

2. Domestic Government Organizations
Cheong Wa Dae (Office of the President), Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Ministry of Finance and Economy, Ministry of Health and Welfare, Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy, National Intelligence Service, and other offices in the executive and legislative branches

3. Public Sector Organizations

4. Media / Press
KBS, MBC, SBS, EBS, YTN, Chosun Ilbo, JoongAng Ilbo, DongAIlbo, Korea Herald, Korea Times, Arirang TV, AFP Asia, Reuters, News, SM Entertainment

5. Banking / Finance

6. Domestic Corporations

7. Accounting / Consulting
A.T. Kearney, Accenture, Boston Consulting Group, McKinsey, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Deloitte & Touche, Ernst & Young, Samsung Accounting, Bain & Company, Samsung KPMG

8. International Corporations
IBM, Royal Dutch Shell, P&G, Prudential, Christian Dior, L’Oréal, Clinique, Max Mara, Google, McCann-Erickson Compaq, Thai International Airlines, Edelman PR Worldwide, Yahoo, Microsoft, Hyatt Hotel, AC Nielsen Marketing Research, Kantar TNS, MBB Partners, Burson-Marsteller, Facebook, Tocia, TCM, NEC

9. Academia
Australian National University, Brown University, UC Berkeley, Cambridge University, University of Chicago, Columbia University, UCLA, Cornell University, Georgetown University, Harvard University, University of Pennsylvania, New York University, University of London, Princeton University, Tufts University, Duke University, London School of Economics, Yonsei University, Seoul National University, Sogang University, National University of Mongolia, University of Warwick, University of Hawaii, University of Michigan, Wharton MBA, University of Melbourne, University of Tokyo
Affiliated Research Institutes

1. Institute of Modern Korean Studies (IMKS)
With a generous endowment from the Samsung Group, the Institute of Modern Korean Studies (IMKS) was established in 1997. As the only research center of its kind in Korea using both English and Korean as its primary languages, the principal objective of the IMKS is to organize, direct, and support research in areas such as modern Korean political history, Korean entrepreneurship, Protestant missionary work in Korea, Korean-American relations, and modern Korean student activism.

The IMKS strives to enhance and improve the overall quality of scholarly research in the field of modern Korean Studies by encouraging the development of innovative perspectives and insight into modern Korean history, culture, and society, and by promoting active exchange between Korean studies specialists at home and abroad.

2. Center for International Studies (CIS)
The Center for International Studies (CIS) was founded in March 1997 as a research wing of Yonsei GSIS. CIS supports research activities that are theory-generating and policy-relevant. The Center also encourages research projects that can be used for course materials for academic programs. Yonsei GSIS prepares students for careers in the fields of international trade and finance, security and development cooperation, international organizations and law, and area studies.

The strength of the CIS lies in its ability to conduct interdisciplinary research. Factors affecting international relations are so diverse and multi-dimensional that no single academic discipline is able to produce satisfactory explanations. Taking the inter-disciplinary perspective as an essential feature of international studies, the Center seeks to become a leading center of research on international affairs.

3. Hills Governance Center at Yonsei
The Hills Governance Center at Yonsei (HGCY) was established in September 2003, under the joint auspices of both the Hills Program on Governance of the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) and the World Bank. The Center seeks to advance corporate governance in the private sector and good governance across the public and civic sectors by addressing institutional sources of opacity and promoting transparency and accountability. The Center strives to achieve these goals by providing rigorous research and analysis, facilitating sectoral and regional dialogue, and developing and disseminating educational tools.

Ultimately, HGCY seeks to become a research hub to strengthen inter-sectoral collaboration and build more effective governance structures to help ensure more equitable participation in the benefits of globalization.
THE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (GSA)
The Graduate Student Association is an independent, student-organized, and student-run organization. Membership is open to all students at Yonsei GSIS. The purpose of the GSA is to represent and give voice to all the GSIS students on campus. The GSA aims for more effective participation of the students in all aspects of student life. The GSA is based on the principle that GSIS students should be informed about, and take part in, all decisions which affect them. To accomplish these goals, the GSA helps keep graduate students informed of what is happening at Yonsei GSIS. At the same time, the GSA serves as a forum in which the issues that affect students can be discussed. When key issues and areas for improvement are identified, the GSA serves as a representative and advocator for the point of view of the graduate students to the administration, faculty, and other segments of the university community.

THE DEBATE CLUB
The Yonsei GSIS Debate Club was re-established in 2014, recruiting students that have previous experience and also those who want to learn debate. British Parliamentary is the main form of debate, and motions cover value debates such as humanitarian interventions to specific policies such as environmental taxation. In Spring 2014, Yonsei GSIS Debate Club hosted an inter-GSIS debate tournament in British Parliament style, and is planning to expand the number of schools and students participating in graduate school debate. Our main goal is to improve our individual speeches, cover a wide area of issues, and create a new graduate British Parliament debating society in Korea.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENTREPRENEURS OF YONSEI
The International Student Entrepreneurs of Yonsei (ISEY) is a student-led group that was created in 2014. The goal of ISEY is to provide as much experience in entrepreneurship and management to Yonsei GSIS students as possible. Many of the students desire the opportunity to take advantage of our diversity and bring them a step closer to the professional world while studying. We believe ISEY can achieve exactly that.

NOVAsia
NOVAsia is the pioneering student-run news magazine of Yonsei GSIS which accentuates regional perspectives but with a definite global twist. NOVAsia stems from nova, which is the Latin word for “new,” and Asia or “New Asia.” NOVAsia is not a traditional newsletter. Rather, it is a sounding board for contrasting and even contending voices even as it highlights the school’s achievements. The ultimate goal of NOVAsia is to make the magazine appeal not only to students, alumni, and future applicants but also to general readers worldwide. Over time, the editors of NOVAsia believe that the magazine will become synonymous with groundbreaking discourses on a range of issues pertinent to the future of Asia and the broader global village.

To learn more about NOVAsia, please visit the website: http://novasiagsis.com

THE YONSEI JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
The Yonsei Journal of International Studies (YJIS), which was formerly known as Papers, Essays and Reviews (PEAR), is an academic journal managed by students at the Graduate School of International Studies. YJIS is the first scholarly journal to be peer reviewed and published by graduate students in English in Korea. The journal is geared primarily for graduate students in Korea and around the globe, but it is also open to junior academics. Each issue seeks to cover a wide range of issues in the field of international studies, though some issues are specifically tailored to a specific theme. There are four sections in total. The journal publishes papers, essays, book reviews and interviews. The papers section is for longer pieces that adhere to academic methodology and provide a unique contribution to the literature; the essays section is for short articles that are more argumentative in style and more editorial in prose; and the reviews section provides a space for critiques of popular publications, usually a recently published book. Starting with the Fall 2010 issue, the YJIS staff has also been conducting interviews with leading scholars to get their unique insight on important issues.

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