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Regular Korean Program for Foreigners

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Welcome to the KAIST Korean Language Center

Regular Program for Foreign Learners in STEM Fields

The Regular Program is a Korean language course specifically designed for foreign students and researchers in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). The program supports international learners preparing for academic and professional activities in Korea, particularly those affiliated with KAIST or other science and technology institutions.



Program Overview



Who is this program for?

- Students preparing for admission to undergraduate/graduate programs in Korea.
- Visiting researchers or postdocs at institutions in Korea.
- International professionals preparing to work in Korea.



Program Highlights

- Academic Korean tailored to STEM disciplines
- Immersive campus experience at KAIST
- Cultural understanding and integration



Program Structure & Completion



Schedule & Structure

- Class days: Monday to Friday
- Class hours: 09:00 AM - 12:50 PM (50 minutes/class)
- Locations: KAIST Main Campus (Daejeon), Hwaam Global Campus



Course Length & Levels

- Total: 200 hours per semester
- 6 proficiency levels (Beginner to Advanced)
- Full program completion: Approx. 1.5 year



Completion Criteria

- Minimum 160 hours attendance per semester (80%)
- Active participation and performance
- Certificate of Completion issued each term



Extras

- TOPIK preparation support
- Academic writing & presentation workshops
- Mentoring programs

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Application & Registration (2025-2026)

Semester	2025		2026	
	Fall Semester	Winter Semester	Spring Semester	Summer Semester
Application Period	5.1.(Thu.) – 5.27.(Tue.)	8.1.(Fri.) – 8.26.(Tue.)	11.3.(Mon.) – 11.25.(Tue.)	2.2.(Mon.) – 2.24.(Tue.)
Acceptance Notification	6.20.(Fri.)	9.22.(Mon.)	12.22.(Mon.)	3.23.(Mon.)
Tuition Payment	6.20.(Fri.) – 6.30.(Mon.)	9.22.(Mon.) – 10.1.(Wed.)	12.22.(Mon.) – 12.31.(Wed.)	3.23.(Mon.) – 4.1.(Wed.)

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Semester Periods (2025-2027)

Starting Semester	Enrollment Period	Semester Period		Break Period	Tuition (KRW)
		from	to		
2025	Fall Semester	6 months	2025.9.15.(Mon.)	A two-week break between semesters	2,600,000 (6 months) ~ 10,200,000 (1.5 years)
		1 year	2026.2.27.(Mon.)		
		1.5 years	2026.8.24.(Mon.)		
	Winter Semester	6 months	2027.2.25.(Thu.)		
		1 year	2027.8.23.(Mon.)		
		1.5 years	2027.11.26.(Fri.)		
2026	Spring Semester	6 months	2025.12.15.(Mon.)		
		1 year	2026.5.27.(Tue.)		
		1.5 years	2026.11.25.(Wed.)		
	Summer Semester	6 months	2026.3.16.(Mon.)		
		1 year	2026.8.24.(Mon.)		
		1.5 years	2027.2.25.(Tue.)		

※ Detailed schedules (placement test, orientation) will be announced before each semester.



Tuition, Admission Fee, and Dormitory Fees

- ▶ Tuition: KRW 1,300,000 ~ 1,700,000 per semester
- ▶ Dormitory Fee: KRW 840,000 ~ 1,680,000 for two semesters
- ▶ Admission Fee: KRW 100,000

Fees listed above are based on the rates as of April 2025 and are subject to change.



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Eligibility



- Applicants with a high school diploma or higher who is eligible to apply to KAIST.
- KAIST visiting researchers
- Government-invited scholars from the four major science and technology institutes
- Applicants interested in higher education in science and technology

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Required Documents



- Online application
- Photo (color, 3.5cm*4.5cm)
- Passport copy
- Self-Introduction
- Statement of Purpose
- Study Plan
- Academic transcript with apostille or consular notarization
- Certificate of highest education level achieved, with apostille or consular notarization (Applicable only to nationals of the relevant country).
- Certificate of birth (Certificate of Family Relations) with apostille or consular notarization (Applicable only to nationals of the relevant country).

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D-4 visa track



The Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST) Language Center issues the 'Certificate of Admission', which is a mandatory document for obtaining a visa for Korean language training. Therefore, please contact the Korean Embassy/Consulate in your country of residence to prepare the necessary documents for the D-4 (Korean language training) visa.

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Dormitories



- Only students who have been accepted to the KAIST Korean Language Center may apply for places in the dormitories.
- Application period: When filling out the application form for the Korean Language Center.
- Payment of fees: After the admission results are announced, please make the payment along with the tuition fee.

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Campus Facilities



- Korean Language Center program participants are issued with entry cards allowing them to enter campus buildings including lecture rooms, and may use the following facilities with the entry card.
- Library
- Health Management Office
- Sports facilities: swimming pool, gym, football field, tennis court etc.
- Cafeterias, cafes, souvenir shop etc.

**Start your journey to academic and cultural fluency
in Korea with KAIST!**

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