

Doctor of Philosophy

GSIS offers a PhD program to enable qualified applicants to pursue advanced research in the field of International Studies. Proposed projects are strongly encouraged to be part of an interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary nature. Two tracks are offered in the PhD program, International Commerce and International Cooperation.

국제통상학박사

Doctor of Philosophy in International Commerce

- International Commerce Major

This program targets young scholars interested in the field of International Commerce. The miraculous development can be largely attributed to its success in international trade. As such, GSIS has particular expertise in trade and FDI as well as specializing in both macro and micro-approaches to aid scholars in conducting cutting-edge research. Possible research topics in International Commerce include Multilateral & Regional Trade Relations, Foreign Direct Investment, Strategic Management, and Electronic Commerce.

국제관계학박사

Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations

- International Cooperation Major

Being the prime example of rapid economic growth and development as well as the world's first recipient-turned-donor country, the Republic of Korea is a leader of development studies in East Asia. This program targets young scholars interested in cutting-edge research in the field of International Development & Cooperation. From global macro issues to carefully-crafted micro research, the school offers specializations in a number of research fields including International Trade & Development, Multilateral & Regional Cooperation, International Organizations, Sustainable Development, Water & Development, Poverty & Inequality, and Gender.

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Graduation Requirements

- Minimum of 36 credits, Enroll for at least 4 semesters (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 4~5)
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- Thesis Proposal (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 23)
- Thesis (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 24~29)

Department (Major)	Section	Code & Title		Credit	
Int'l Studies (International Commerce)	Core Courses	IAC701	Independent Study I (2 nd Semester)	3	
		IAC702	Independent Study II (3 rd Semester) ¹	3	
		IRC012	Thesis Research II (4 th Semester) ²	3	
		Subtotal		9	
	Major Required	IAC801 or IAC802	Advanced Research Methods		3
		IICxxx	Course code for International Commerce starts with IIC ³		6
		Subtotal		9	
	Major Elective	IACxxx	4 Advanced Seminars		12
		Subtotal		12	
	General Elective ⁴	One of the Following Courses - Core Courses, or Core Elective Courses (IRC) - International Studies (IICxxx, IDCxxx, IPSxxx, IASxxx) - Korean Studies (IKSxxx, IRC050 ~ IRC060) - Korean Language Courses (IRC051, IRC052, IRC053, IKS420, IKS421) ----- OR -----			6
		One of the Followings - Doctoral Courses for International Studies - Internship - Short-term Program - English Courses from KU General Graduate School - English Courses from other GSIS program in Korea			
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1. You must submit Thesis Advisor Application and Major Selection Application to the GSIS Administration Office. Details on the *GSIS Homepage*.
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3. Among course codes that start with IDC, IPS, IAS, some of them are acceptable as International Commerce Major courses. Details on the *GSIS Homepage*.
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