

# MA Department of Korean Studies

## MA Korean Studies

The Department of Korean Studies at GSIS aims to equip international and domestic students with an enhanced understanding of Korea, including its contemporary social modernization, and economic development. GSIS offers both two-year Master's degree and one-year diploma. Although all the courses in the program are taught in English, a high level of Korean language and reading courses are available in Korean for students who want to have intensive training in the Korean language. Current courses include: Modern History of Korea, Social Movement and Political Change, Social Problems in Korea, Korean Economy, Korean Cinema in the Global Context, and Dynamics of Korean Management.

# Master of Arts in Korean Studies

## Graduation Requirements (Thesis Track)

※ Selection of thesis/non-thesis track is in the 3rd Semester.

**Once decided, not changeable.** (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 5, Clause 14)

- Minimum of 39 credits, Enroll for at least 4 semesters (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 4~5)
- General Examination (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 17~21)
- Thesis Proposal (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 22)
- Thesis (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 24~29)

Department (Major)	Section	Code & Title		Credit	
Korean Studies	Core Courses	IRC010	Research Methods	3	
		IRC011	Thesis Research I (3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester) <sup>1</sup>	3	
		IRC050	Modern History of Korea	3	
		IRC053	Korean Language I } <sup>2</sup>	9	
		IRC052			Korean Language II
		IRC051			Korean Language III
		IRC060	Contemporary Korean Society	3	
	<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>21</b>	
	Major Courses	IKSxxx	Course codes for Korean Studies start with IKS <sup>3</sup>	9	
		<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>9</b>
	General Elective <sup>4</sup>	<b>One of the Following Courses</b> - 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 -----			9
		<b>One of the Followings</b> - Doctoral Courses for International Studies - Internship - Short-term Program - English Courses from KU General Graduate School - English Courses from other GSIS program in Korea			
		<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>9</b>
	<b>Total</b>				<b>39</b>

1. You must take Thesis Research I at your 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. (KU GSIS Bylaws Article 10)  
Submit the 'Registration Confirmation of Thesis Research Form'. Details on the *GSIS Homepage*.
2. If you are exempted from the following courses, you need to take IKS courses for the remaining credits.
3. Among course codes that start with IIC, IDC, IPS, IAS, some of them are acceptable as IKS Major courses.  
Details on the *GSIS Homepage*.
4. For General Elective courses, please consult with the GSIS Administration Office to confirm whether the course you sign up for can be accepted or not, before registration.