We honor the ideals of liberal education, aiming to prepare students to be lifelong learners and contributors to global intellectual life.
Creating

We strive to create a vibrant intellectual community where students and scholars promote path-breaking endeavors in all fields of knowledge.
Sharing

We are committed to sharing our values and knowledge to promote peaceful co-existence with others on the world stage.
Seoul National University is synonymous with higher education in Korea. Since its establishment in 1946, the University has strived to lead the nation with wisdom and courage every step of the way towards achieving economic development and democratization.

As an epitome of higher education and esteemed for its unmatched academic rigor, Seoul National University has worked to fulfill its responsibility to pursue the highest level of excellence. As a result, Seoul National University has gained a global reputation for academic excellence, joining the ranks of prestigious universities across the world.

Now, more than ever, Seoul National University recognizes its responsibility to go beyond the boundaries of academia and be part of society, the nation and the world. First, “SNU with Pride” – the University community has great pride in our institution; second, “SNU with People” – the University is loved by our country and our people; and finally, “SNU with the World” – we are dedicated to become a world-class university.

A university all can take pride in,
A university loved by the people,
A university leading the world.

We will continue to cultivate a vibrant intellectual community by fostering creativity, scholastic pursuit and global-mindedness in our students. We endeavor to educate students as global citizens who will share our contributions on the world stage.

Thank you.

SUNG Nak-in, President of Seoul National University
The definitive textbook on the Korean history
A New History of Korea, the first English-language history of Korea published by Harvard University Press in 1984, was written by LEE Ki-baik (class of 1947, History). Since its first publication in Korea in 1961, it has generally been regarded as the most authoritative full history of Korea.

Graphene technology
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1988 Seoul Olympic Games
The 1988 Summer Olympics was a pivotal event for Koreans to present the country’s development to the world. The games were participated in by the largest number of nationalities in history until that time, and the director of the opening and closing ceremonies of the games was LEE O Young (class of 1956, Korean Literature), the Minister of Culture and a distinguished critic of literature.

The New Community Movement in the 1970s
Saemaul Undong (New Community Movement) was a community-driven development program in the 1970s that contributed to the successful modernization of rural Korea. The living in the countryside was improved and the greater infrastructure was developed. Philanthropist and scholar KIM Jun (1926-2012, class of 1949, Agriculture) was the founding father of the movement.

Hantavirus Vaccine
Hantavirus hemorrhagic fever with renal syndrome, which had threatened Korean and American soldiers in the 1950s with a 10% mortality rate, was identified by virologist LEE Ho Wang, M.D. (class of 1954, Medicine), after two decades of research. Lee found the virus in 1976 and made the first vaccine in 1988.

World’s first printed book
JIKJI is the world’s oldest extant printed book. It was first printed in 1377, 78 years prior to Gutenberg’s Bible. The book had been missing for nearly two hundred years in a misclassification of a French library until Dr. PARK Byeong-sen (1923-2011, class of 1950, History Education) found it after 13 years of persistent search. The copy was inscribed on UNESCO’s Memory of the World Register as the world’s oldest metalloid type in 2001.

1980s Economic prosperity
During the 1980s, the Korean economy made unprecedentedly strong and stable growth, shifting from a government-led system to a market-oriented economy. It had a nearly 10% average annual growth, while inflation stayed below 3% from 1983 to 1987. Chief Economist KIM Jae-ik (1938-1983, class of 1960, International Relations) was the architect of this turn-around.

Korea’s test-tube babies
Korea’s first test-tube babies, a pair of twins, were born at SNU Hospital with the help of Professor CHANG Yoon-suk (class of 1955 and faculty member 1961-1996, Medicine) in 1985, seven years after the world’s first. Since Chang’s success, Korean infertility treatment has rapidly developed to the world-class, with a success rate reaching 40%.

Korea’s per capita income
- 1980: $1,703
- 1990: $6,514

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Leading global businesses

Samsung Electronics and Hyundai Heavy Industries, the leading global businesses in mobile devices and shipbuilding, are run by LEE Jae-yong (class of 1992, Asian History) and CHUNG Mong-joon (class of 1975, Economics), respectively.

K-Pop stars

S.M. Entertainment is home to globally popular K-pop singers EXO, Girls’ Generation, Super Junior, SHINee, TVXQ, and many others. LEE Soo-man (class of 1978, Agriculture Machinery), who himself was a singer-songwriter is the founding CEO of the company.

Semiconductor pioneers

Korea is leading global semiconductor industry by initiating new technology: 16M DRAM developed by Chin Dae-je (class of 1977) in 1991, the world’s first 64M DRAM by KWON Oh-Hyun (class of 1975) in 1992, and also the world’s first 256M DRAM by HWANG Chang-gyu (class of 1976) in 1994. The pioneers are all from the Electronic Engineering.

A scientific solution to food shortage

Tongil Rice is a breed of rice customized for Korea’s relatively cold farm land. It was created as a solution to the serious food shortage in Korea in the 1970s by Professor HUR Mun-hoe (1927-2010, class of 1954 and faculty member 1960-1990, Agriculture). The wide distribution of Tongil rice increased the national rice production by 147% and made Korea self-sufficient in food by 1976.

Changing red mountains into green

Until the early 1960s, the mountains covering over 70% of Korean peninsula were treeless due to the war. This caused massive floods every year. Thanks to the forest breeding science developed by Professor HYUN Sin-Kyu (1911-1986, faculty member 1965-1976, Forest Science), the mountains turned into deep green forests in less than two decades. Hyun genetically developed high quality trees that grow quickly in Korea’s natural environment, namely the Rigitaeda hybrid pine tree and the Hyun Popular.

Successful entrepreneurs

NAVER, Korea’s biggest web portal that boosts almost 80% of the search market, and Kakao Talk, Korea’s most popular mobile messenger used by over 100 million people, were created by LEE Hae-Jin (class of 1990, Computer Science) and KIM Beom-su (class of 1990, Industrial Engineering), respectively.

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Artist LEE Ufan

Artist LEE Ufan is the co-founder of Mono-ha, Japan’s most important modern art movement, and winner of the 2001 Praemium Imperiale, Japan’s Nobel Prize for painting. Lee attended SNU College of Fine Arts from 1955 to 1956, and created a unique style seeking to express the relationships of ‘things’ by presenting materials barely manipulated.

UN Secretary-General BAN Ki-moon

“Since graduating, I have felt an enormous debt of gratitude to SNU for the way it prepared me for what was to come,” said BAN Ki-moon (class of 1970, International Relations), the 8th Secretary-General of the United Nations.
1950-1953
Education during war
The University was evacuated to Busan and continued classes during the Korean War.

- June 25, 1950: Korean War broke out during student registration period.
- Mar. 8, 1951: War-time Union University was organized in Busan.
- Apr. 28, 1952: The first doctoral degree conferred at the 6th commencement ceremony.
- 1950-1953: Students and faculty participated in the Korean War; 22 students died in the conflict. About 70 faculty members, of which 50 were medical professors, joined the military during the war.
- July 27, 1953: Armistice signed between North and South Korea.
- Sept. 18, 1953: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Administration Office returned to Seoul.

1953-1960
Reconstruction after War
The University rapidly recovered with the aid from countries all over the world and the nation's desire for education.

- 1954-1962: Minnesota Project for reconstruction and development of Seoul National University. 9,791,000 USD of financial aid given, and 218 SNU professors sent to universities in the US. Most of the aid was given in the fields of agriculture, engineering, medicine, and public administration.
- Feb. 18, 1955: Unified emblem of the university created.
- Jan. 13, 1959: 10 departments were created with an admission quota of 1,440 added.

1960-1975
Impacting national development
SNU community members spearheaded the democratic movements, while graduates played a central role in the economic development.

- Apr. 19-26, 1960: SNU community members led the April 19th Revolution against the dictatorship.
- May 25, 1960: The 1st (SNU) student council organized.
- 1962-1973: Professional Graduate Schools newly established to expand the Graduate School of Judicial Research & Training.
- Feb. 12, 1969: Seoul National University Alumni Association first established.

1975-1980
Centralizing the campus in Gwanak
SNU merged its multiple campuses into three main locations: Gwanak main campus, Yeongeon medical campus, and Suwon agricultural campus.

- Feb. 25, 1975: Education units reformed: 13 colleges, 1 graduate school, and 6 professional graduate schools before 1975. Three colleges for general studies, 12 colleges for specialized studies, and 3 professional graduate schools after 1975.
- Mar. 1, 1975: Colleges of Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Business Administration, Law, Education, and Home Economics relocated to Gwanak campus.
- Jan. 10, 1980: College of Engineering relocated to Gwanak campus, which completed the first stage of relocation. Later, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the College of Veterinary Medicine moved to Gwanak in 2003, and the Graduate School of Public Health relocated to Gwanak in 2010.

1995-2011
Rise to global prominence
SNU set an aim to become a world-class research university, and many research institutions were established.

- Mar. 11, 1999: Brain Korea 21 (BK21) project, a 140 billion KRW plan to enhance global competitiveness of Korean research universities, launched by the government, and thirty SNU research teams were selected for the project. Percentage of female students exceeded 42% (42.6%) for the first time.
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2011-present
Gaining autonomy from government
SNU community members had long been seeking true autonomy. In 2011, SNU finally changed its legal status to an incorporated entity.

- Dec. 28, 2011: Seoul National University changed its legal status from a government organization to an incorporated university by law.
- Mar. 1, 2013: Number of tenure-track foreign faculty reached 100.
- June 12, 2014: SNU Pyeongchang campus, a bio-technology complex opened.
- Sept. 16, 2014: Placed 31st among world universities according to QS World University Rankings.

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The image contains a timeline of historical events at Seoul National University, spanning from 1895 to 2015, highlighting key milestones in education, research, and institutional changes. The text provides details on the establishment, expansion, and development of the university, including significant events such as the Korean War, reconstruction after the war, and the centralization of the campus in Gwanak. It also mentions the role of SNU in national development and its transformation into a world-class research university. The timeline is supported with images of the university campus and student council campaign. The text is adapted from a historical document, offering a comprehensive view of Seoul National University's journey.
Educating the Whole Person

Good-willed minds

- **An interdisciplinary course - Human Nature and the Good Life**
  This course is designed to enable students to better understand themselves and find their own answers to life's important questions. Professors of philosophy, social science and natural science teach this course together to encourage students in their personal explorations of what a good life is.

- **Ethical Leadership Program**
  Students take this four-week capacity building program to upgrade themselves as civic-minded leaders. Taking each step of 'establishing rules of life', 'overcoming a bystander attitude', and 'approaching neighbors', they can develop their sense of good-will in order to have positive effects on society.

- **Voluntary Service Courses**
  SNU encourages students to serve the community by offering organized curriculum on voluntary service. In Voluntary Service Course I, students learn the basics of social service and join a designated community service project. In Course II, students create and lead their own projects. In Course III, students travel internationally to participate in global service initiatives.

Global citizens

- **SNU in the World programs**
  Students can choose to study in one of the major cities of the world for six weeks during summer or winter term. The 'SNU in the World' programs are offered in Beijing, Tokyo, Berlin, Paris, Madrid, Washington DC, and Moscow.

- **International Summer Institute (ISI)**
  SNU invites students from all over the world to its international summer sessions. Foreign students have the opportunity to experience SNU's academic life, taking in-depth courses in English taught by distinguished professors, and learning the Korean language and culture.

- **Global internship program**
  Senior students are eligible to participate in a global internship application tour. Selected students are invited to visit several leading global companies and organizations, where they are given opportunities to present their ideas and compete for internship positions.

Future academics

- **Student Direct Education course**
  SNU offers 'Student Direct Education' courses, in which students can create their own topics of study and request professors' guidance for independent study. Students are encouraged to present their findings at scholarly forums.

- **College of Liberal Studies**
  The creation of the College of Liberal Studies in 2009 was emblematic of SNU's commitment to creativity in intellectual life. Students in this college are given freedom to choose an existing major or create their own unique major.

- **Support for future academics**
  SNU provides strong support to students who study further in basic fields. These fields, such as the humanities and natural sciences, form the foundation of academia. As of 2015, 263 students had received long-term aid for scholarship.
Impact

Convergence

Beyond academic borders

Discovery

of new knowledge

Innovation

of existing knowledge

Impact

on society

Creating Academic Values

Finding new forms of knowledge

• Unveiling the mystery of RNA
  KIM Vic Narry, professor of biological sciences, made a major contribution to the understanding of how microRNAs are created and processed in cells. Until recently RNA was considered to be merely a 'messenger' that delivers DNA information. She found RNA forms regulatory networks and has some control functions in cells.

• Challenges to measuring an absolute neutrino mass
  KIM Soo-Bong, professor of physics, built Korea’s first neutrino detector facility in the Yonggwang Nuclear Power Plant in 2011. Using this detector, Professor Kim successfully measured the previously unknown transformation rate of one neutrino to another neutrino. The measurement became a breakthrough in promoting the next round of neutrino research to investigate the remaining, mysterious properties of neutrinos.

Taking steps in new directions

• DNA scissors that can alter genes
  KIM Jin-Soo, professor of chemistry, developed a technology that can precisely cut off human DNA that causes mutation or diseases. He succeeded in creating super-muscly pigs by simple gene editing, which would otherwise have taken decades of selective breeding in nature.

Making a change in society

• Research on the homeless
  KU In-Hoi, professor of social welfare, has conducted thorough research on the homeless for years – personal history, psychological features, and health conditions – to find the cause of persistent homelessness. His research has provided a theoretical foundation upon which to build a social safety net suitable for Korean society.

• Building a database of patient experience
  No matter how common a disease is, it presents a challenge to individuals who must suffer from it. KANG Chang-Uh, professor of German, built a narrative database of disease experiences interviewing over 300 patients and their families for five years, and shared it online. The database is not only visited by patients, but also used as part of the curriculum for medical students.

Beyond academic borders

• A tiny robot that mimics water-strider’s movement
  An SNU research team created a mechanical insect that can mimic water-striders’ movements. The robot was as tiny as 68mg, but could jump up to 14cm 16 times in a row without complicated controls of artificial intelligence. Professors in the biological sciences observed water-striders’ extreme movements prior to the research. CHO Kyu-jin and KIM Ho-Young (professors of mechanical engineering) led the development of the water-strider robot.

• Working together for wearable kidney machine
  SNU researchers in science, engineering and medicine have worked on a project named ‘wearable kidney machine’. Professors in mechanical engineering analyzed core functions of the dialysis machine, and chemistry professors made new compounds for the wearable machine, while medical professors conducted all the clinical research. The project was led by KIM Hee Chan, professor of biomedical engineering.

• Wearable electronic skin patch
  HYEON Taeghwan and KIM Dae-Hyeong, professors of biochemical engineering designed a wearable electronic skin patch in which a built-in electronic chip is able to monitor and treat diseases. When commercialized, people will be able to conveniently attach electronic healthcare devices embedded with medicine and a computer onto their bodies like a patch.

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‘Smart skin’ made from stretchable silicon nano-ribbons
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Community service

- Mentoring for youth
  SNU community members are committed to mentoring underprivileged teenagers. In the Future Talent School program, students and faculty members visit different remote villages and offer tutoring and counseling to secondary school students in an attempt to provide equal opportunities of education. Some of the students have grown up to become mentors themselves, creating a virtuous cycle.

- Healing patients with music
  SNU College of Music routinely holds free concerts at the university hospitals every year to enhance patient treatment through music. The college has departments of instrumental, vocal, and Korean music, all of which have participated in the concerts.

Global engagement

- Nepal Solar Volunteer Corps
  Nepal Solar Volunteer Corps demonstrates how one technology transfer can change a society. The Corps consists of engineering students and faculty who have extensive knowledge of energy systems. The volunteers choose one of the remote villages in Nepal which have no light or electricity. They conduct thorough research on the village’s natural energy and design a project to create localized and sustainable system. The engineers include wind or water power as available, while establishing a basic system of solar energy. As a result, the villages have advanced in their economic development. The Corps also transferred the technology to engineers at Kathmandu University so that they can build even more energy systems in Nepal.

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- Open art class for children
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College of Humanities
- Korean Language and Literature
- Chinese Language and Literature
- English Language and Literature
- French Language and Literature
- German Language and Literature
- Russian Language and Literature
- Hispanic Language and Literature
- Linguistics
- Korean History
- Asian History
- Western History
- Archaeology and Art History
- Philosophy
- Religious Studies
- Aesthetics
- Asian Languages and Civilizations
- Classical Studies
- Cognitive Science
- Comparative Literature
- Archival Science
- Performing Arts Studies

College of Social Sciences
- Political Science & International Relations
- Economics
- Sociology
- Anthropology
- Psychology
- Geography
- Social Welfare
- Communication
- Information and Culture Technology Studies
- Gender Studies
- Globalization and Culture Minor
- Brain–Mind–Behavior Minor
- Financial Economics Minor
- European Studies Minor

College of Natural Sciences
- Mathematical Sciences
- Statistics
- Physics & Astronomy
- Chemistry
- Biological Sciences
- Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Biophysics & Chemical Biology
- Brain & Cognitive Sciences
- History and Philosophy of Science
- Genetic Engineering
- Neuroscience
- Bioinformatics
- Computational Science and Technology

College of Nursing
- Nursing (Adult Health Nursing, Women's Health & Maternity Nursing, Child Health Nursing, Psychiatric & Mental Health, Nursing Management, Nursing Informatics, Community Health Nursing)

College of Business Administration
- Business Administration
- Entrepreneurship

College of Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Chemical and Biological Engineering
- Architecture and Architectural Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Energy Resources Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering
- Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
- Technology Management
- Engineering Biotechnology Minor
- Energy Systems Engineering
- Technology Management, Economics and Policy
- Urban Design
- Bioengineering
- Offshore Plant Engineering
Colleges / Schools

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
- Plant Science
- Forest Science
- Food and Animal Biotechnology
- Applied Biology and Chemistry
- Landscape Architecture and Rural System Engineering
- Biosystems & Biomaterials Science and Engineering
- Agricultural Economics and Rural Development
- Agricultural Biotechnology
- Agricultural Vocational Education
- Biomodulation
- Agricultural Genomics
- Agricultural and Forest Meteorology

College of Fine Arts
- Oriental Painting
- Painting
- Sculpture
- Crafts and Design
- Media Art
- Fine Arts
- Arts Management
- Integrated Creative Design Minor

College of Education
- Education
- Korean Language Education
- English Language Education
- German Language Education
- French Language Education
- Social Studies Education
- History Education
- Geography Education
- Ethics Education
- Mathematics Education
- Physics Education
- Chemistry Education
- Biology Education
- Earth Science Education
- Physical Education
- Fine Arts Education
- Home Economics Education
- Special Education
- Environmental Education
- Early Childhood Education
- Global Education Cooperation

College of Human Ecology
- Consumer Studies
- Child Development and Family Studies
- Food and Nutrition
- Clothing and Textiles

College of Veterinary Medicine
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine
- Veterinary Medicine (Veterinary Biomedical Sciences, Veterinary pathobiology and Preventive, Medicine, Veterinary Clinical Sciences)

College of Pharmacy
- Pharmacy
- Manufacturing Pharmacy

College of Music
- Vocal Music
- Composition
- Instrumental Music
- Korean Music

College of Liberal Studies
Students of College of Liberal Studies can choose to study any existing major they want, or to create their own unique major.
Colleges / Schools

School of Dentistry
- Dentistry (BS/DDS Combined-degree Program, DDS Program)
- Dental Science
- Dental Medicine and Life Sciences

Graduate School of Business
- Global MBA
- SNU MBA
- Executive MBA

Graduate School of Public Health
- Public Health Science (Public Health, Health Care Management and Policy)
- Environmental Health Science

Graduate School of Public Administration
- Public Administration (Public Administration, Public Policy, Global Public Administration)
- Public Enterprise Policy

Graduate School of Environmental Studies
- Environmental Planning (City and Regional Planning, Transportation Studies, Environmental Management)
- Landscape Architecture

Graduate School of International Studies

Graduate School of Law
- Law (Basic Law, Constitutional Law, Civil Law, Commercial Law, Criminal Law, Administrative Law, International Law, Social Law, Intellectual Property)

Graduate School of Convergence Science and Technology
- Transdisciplinary Studies (Nano Science and Technology, Digital Contents and Information Studies, Intelligent Systems, Biomedical Radiation Sciences)
- Molecular Medicine and Biopharmaceutical Sciences
- Mathematical Information Science

Graduate School of International Agricultural Technology
- International Agriculture (Livestock Industry Biotechnology, Agri-Food R&D and Processing, Seed Biotechnology, Green Eco Engineering, International Agricultural Development and Cooperation)

Graduate School of Engineering Practice
- Engineering Practice

SNU Museum of Art designed by Rem Koolhaas

Stairs led to the University Library

Statue of Crane in the center of the campus

Greenbio Research Complex in Pyeongchang campus

SNU Library
Research Institutes

Seoul National University is recognized for its world-class research performance throughout a wide range of academic fields. Each college and school runs its own research centers, while the university directly runs six institutes for large-scale interdisciplinary research. About 50 research teams of the university are selected as government-funded research centers.

Intercollegiate Research Institutes

- Institute for Peace and Unification Studies
- N-BIO
- Institute for Research in Finance and Economics
- Asian Institute for Energy, Environment and Sustainability
- Greenbio Research Complex
- Big Data Institute

College Research Institutes

College of Humanities
- Institute of Humanities
- American Studies Institute
- Institute of Cognitive Sciences
- Institute of Philosophical Research
- Institute of Historical Research
- Institute of Latin American Studies

College of Social Sciences
- Center for Social Sciences
- Institute of Economic Research
- Institute of Communication Research
- Center for International Studies
- Institute for Social Development and Policy Research
- Institute of Psychological Sciences
- Center for Social Sciences
- Institute of Latin American Studies
- Institute for Gender Research
- Asia Center

College of Natural Sciences
- Research Institute of Basic Sciences
- Institute of Molecular Biology and Genetics
- Research Institute of Oceanography
- Center for Theoretical Physics
- Institute of Microbiology
- Research Institute of Mathematics
- Institute of Nano Science
- Institute of Medical Genetics
- Institute of Management Research

College of Business Administration
- Institute of Management Research

College of Engineering
- Institute of Engineering Research
- Inter-University Semiconductor Research Center
- Research Institute of Advanced Materials
- Automation and Systems Research Institute
- Institute of Computer Technology
- Institute of Advanced Machines and Design
- Institute of New Media and Communications
- Research Institute of Energy and Resources
- Research Institute of Marine Systems Engineering
- Institute of Chemical Processes
- Institute of Advanced Aerospace Technology
- Institute of Construction and Environmental Engineering
- Institute for Industrial Systems Innovation
- Electric Power Research Institute

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
- Research Institute of Agriculture and Life Sciences
- Center for Food and Bioconvergence
- Plant Genomics and Breeding Institute

College of Fine Arts
- Visual Arts Institute

College of Education
- Center for Education Research
- Education Research Institute
- Sports Science Research Institute
- Korean Language Education Research Institute

College of Human Ecology
- Research Institute of Human Ecology

College of Veterinary Medicine
- Research Institute of Veterinary Medicine

College of Pharmacy
- Natural Products Research Institute
- Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences

College of Music
- Asian Music Research Institute
- Western Music Research Institute
- Opera Research Institute

College of Medicine
- Medical Research Center
- Cancer Research Institute
- Liver Research Institute
- Institute on Aging
- Wide River Institute of Immunology

Graduate School of Public Health
- Institute of Health and Environment

Graduate School of Public Administration
- Korea Public Administration Research Institute
- Research Institute of Public Information Management
- Asia Development Institute

Graduate School of Environmental Studies
- Environmental Planning Institute

Graduate School of International Studies
- Institute of International Affairs
- Institute for Japanese Studies

School of Dentistry
- Dental Research Institute

School of Law
- Law Research Institute
- Asia Pacific Law Institute

Graduate School of Convergence Science and Technology
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- Global Education Center for Engineers
- Global Frontier Center for Multiscale Energy Systems
- Innovative Drug Research Center Metabolic and Inflammatory Disease
- Intelligent Textiles
- Intelligent Vehicle IT Research Center
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- Korea Design Research Institute
- Korea Earthquake Engineering Research Center
- Korea Mouse Phenotyping Center
- Korean Nuclear Fusion Research Center for the Elderly
- Medicinal Biocomvergence Research Center
- Multi-Screening Center for Drug Development
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- Neuro-Immune Information Storage Network Research Center
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- Center for Correlated Electron Systems
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International Partners

We have built strong partnerships internationally, including: scholarly exchanges with prestigious universities; collaborations with national flagship universities in every corner of the world; and strategic academic scholarships to aid underdeveloped countries.

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Admissions

We seek students from a variety of backgrounds, recognizing that an internationalized population provides diverse perspectives and contributes to a dynamic learning atmosphere. Both undergraduate and graduate-level programs are open to international students. We offer admissions for international students every semester, as either International Admissions I (for foreign students) or International Admissions II (for Korean origin/foreign students educated outside of Korea).

Scholarships for International Students

- **SNU Global Scholarship I**
  Full scholarship program for talented international students in both undergraduate and graduate degree programs. It provides recipients with full tuition, language education, residence, and living expenses. It includes the Public Sector Scholarship, a special aide for those who have work experience in the public sector and wish to study further in graduate program. As of 2014, 280 students had received this scholarship.

- **SNU Global Scholarship II**
  Tuition waiver scholarship for talented international students in undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

- **Graduate Scholarship for Excellent Foreign Students (GSFS)**
  Asian students who would like to study in specified graduate programs (subject to change every semester) are eligible to apply for this scholarship. The scholarship provides tuition exemption and living expenses.

- **Glo-Harmony Scholarship**
  Special program for applicants from developing countries on the DAC List of ODA Recipients. The program offers full tuition fee exemption and living expenses, and is available for both undergraduate and graduate applicants.

- **Silk Road Scholarship**
  Full scholarship program for graduate students in the field of humanities and social sciences. Graduate degree program applicants from countries historically along with Silk Road are eligible to apply.

- **Korean War Memorial Scholarship**
  A full scholarship is offered to international students who are direct descendants of Korean War veterans.

- **International Students Scholarship**
  Merit-based scholarship for both undergraduate and graduate students. Undergraduate students who maintain a GPA of 2.4 or higher, and graduate students who maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher can apply for this scholarship every semester and receive a partial waiver of tuition fee.

- **Asian Universities Network Scholarship (AUNS)**
  One year Korean language education support for Asian students from six specific universities – Sakhalin State University in Russia, National University of Mongolia, Vietnam National University – Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam National University – Hanoi, Chulalongkorn University in Thailand, National University of Laos. (qualified institutions as of 2015). A full scholarship for graduate degree program is available for those who graduated from Yanbian University in China.

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