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Dongguk Institute of Korean Language



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Dongguk University

Established in 1906, Dongguk is the only Buddhist university in the Republic of Korea with 120 years of history and tradition.

Located in the heart of Seoul with 14 colleges and 71 undergraduate departments(majors)

Exchange partnership

Exchange partnerships with 360 universities in 58 countries

Status of university exchanges as of November 2025

IEQAS

Certified as an Outstanding Institution

In the 2025 International Education Quality Assurance System (IEQAS)

international undergraduate students

18,515 international undergraduate students

Based on the Higher Education in Korea as of April 2025

International language program students

1,500 international language program students

Ranking of Korean universities

8th in the ranking of Korean universities

Based on the 2025 JoongAng Ilbo University Rankings

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Interactive multimedia e-BOOK for enhanced language learning



A variety of fun Korean culture experiences



High-quality classes by top instructors with a proven learning system.

For Korean language, just remember DIKL!

You can count on DIKL!



Counseling on life in Korea by professional psychological counselors



Exchange with Korean friends through the Global Buddy Program



Global exchange with students from over 50 countries

Korean Language Regular Program

- Provides a structured intensive Korean language course for language study and university preparation.
- Offers integrated education in speaking, listening, reading, and writing entirely in Korean.
- Enhances communication skills essential for daily life and academic success.
- Equipped with a digital learning environment, utilizing e-books.
- Supports adaptation to life in Korea through diverse cultural experiences and cultural classes.



Levels

Beginner: Level 1, Level 2 — Intermediate: Level 3, Level 4 — Advanced: Level 5, Level 6

Class Size 13-15 students per class

Class Hours

	Time	Details
Morning class	09:10~13:00	5 days a week(Mon~Fri) 10 weeks, 4 hours per day, total of 200 hours
Afternoon class	13:40~17:30	

※ Class hours are subject to change due to internal circumstances.

- **Cultural experiences:** 1 time per semester
- **Cultural classes:** 8 times per semester



Korean Language Regular Courses
Step-by-step Learning Objectives



Level 6 — You can communicate at the level of a native speaker
- You can read and discuss Korean statistical data and papers.
- You can read Korean novels and write reviews.

Level 5 — You can take major classes
- You can understand major classes at universities and graduate school.
- You can watch Korean movies without subtitles.

Level 4 — University liberal arts classes can be understood
- You can communicate with friends, seniors, and professors while attending college.
- You can understand and enjoy K-pop lyrics and K-drama.



Level 3 — College applications are eligible
- You can understand slang and communicate with Korean friends.
- You are capable of solving issues in Korean while living in Korea.

Level 2 — Able to communicate concretely in everyday life
- You can express your thoughts and feelings.
- You can introduce Korean culture in Korean.

Level 1 — Basic communication skills can be acquired
- Studying Korean for three months! You can speak basic Korean for traveling.

Korean culture class·cultural experience



Various K-culture experiences in and out of the classroom

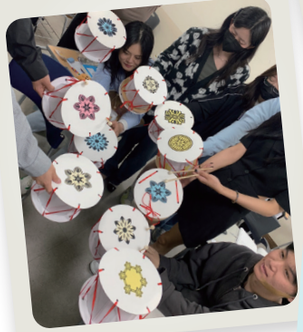
How much of Korean culture have you experienced?

Korean culture class program tailored to each level's language proficiency.

Comprehensive cultural program from traditional to modern Korean culture





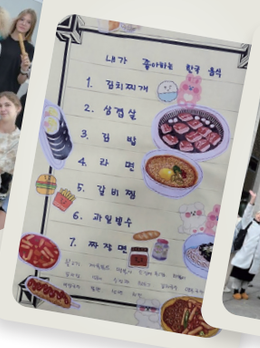






- Experiencing Taekwondo
- Experiencing K-pop dance
- Experiencing cooking of Korean foods
- Watching Korean dramas and movies
- Visiting Korean palaces and experiencing wearing Hanbok
- Learning about Korean fan clubs and cheering culture
- Learning about the Korean subway and Korean flag

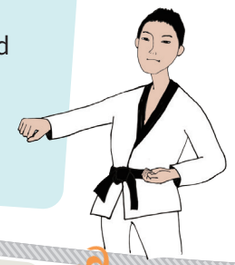












Dongguk Institute of Korean Language e-BOOK

An e-BOOK featuring real-life Korean experiences and native voices

Finding yourself immersed in realistic content, Korean will come out of your mouth naturally

All the materials you need to study Korean
are included in the **e-BOOKs** developed by **Dongguk Institute of Korean Language**!
Interactive and productive smart learning !



Preview of Dongguk Korean E-BOOK

Native speaker's narration

Unlimited repetition
Learning how to talk by improving listening skills

Providing realistic videos

Provide videos by situation
Studying becomes enjoyable with realistic and engaging content

Vocabulary expansion

Providing search and translation features
Providing synonyms and antonyms
Efficient and systematic vocabulary learning

Writing practice

Writing practice where you can freely write, erase, and rewrite
Providing both wording and pen features

Downloading workbooks and learning materials

In addition to textbooks, you can download workbooks, word books, and learning materials
Create your own personal study notes

Checking answers

Just one-click to check answers.
Model answers provided for best learning experience

Readeroe (E-book viewer app)

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Access "Dongguk Korean"
Anytime, Anywhere
Enjoy content without restrictions from your internet environment by downloading materials for offline use.

- Take notes directly in the e-book.
- Use bookmarks for key points and navigate back easily.
- Click on words to get additional information about synonyms, antonyms, irregular usage, etc.
- Check answers after completing exercises with a confirmation button.
- Watch activity dialogues as videos.
- Submit homework to teachers and receive feedback.

E-book viewer app

Android

iOS

Short-term Program

- A 2~4 week program that allows intensive learning of Korean language and culture during vacations or holidays.
- Providing various cultural programs (K-POP dance, Taekwondo, Korean food making, performances, etc.) for the experience of Korean culture
- Uses Dongguk University's exclusive textbook (E-BOOK) 「Dongguk Korean (Short-term Program)」 to teach basic Hangul (consonants/vowels), essential vocabulary, grammar, and skills (speaking, listening, reading, writing) related to each topic.

Eligibility

Applicants must be from visa-exempt countries or hold a valid visa (tourist, overseas Korean) and must be legally eligible to stay in Korea.
The university does not provide visa issuance support.

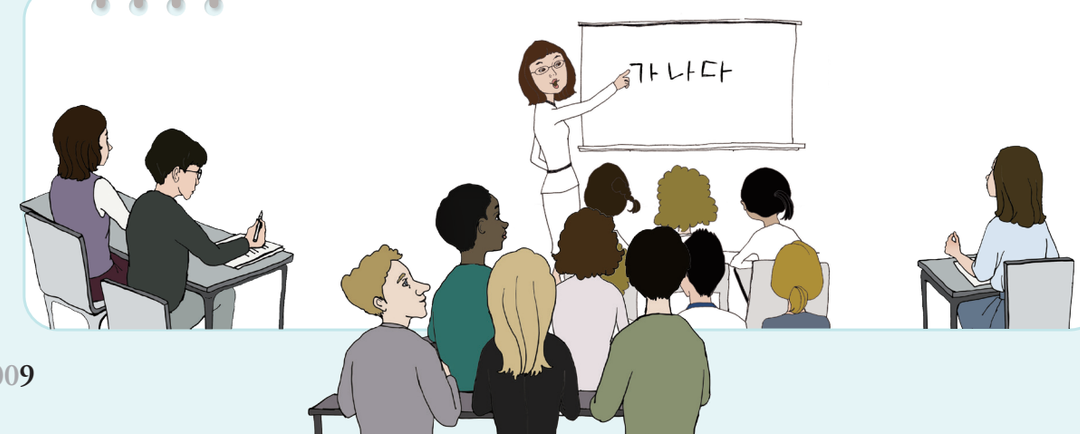
Class Hours

Time	Program	Notes
10:00-13:00	Korean Language	5 days a week
14:00-16:00	Cultural Experience	More than once a week

Schedule

- Summer 2026 : 2026.06.22. - 2026.08.17. (Select period)
- Winter 2026 : 2026.12.21. - 2027.02.12. (Select period)

* Dates are subject to change depending on school circumstances.



Namsan Dormitory

Institute of Korean Language students can live safely on campus in the Namsan Dormitory.

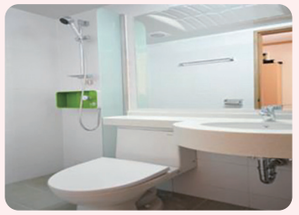


- **Namsan Dormitory**: Dormitory on campus with a view of Namsan Seoul Tower, 2 people per room
- 24-hour hot water and Wi-Fi.
- In-room bathroom and shower facilities.
- Free gym for dormitory residents.
- Exclusive study lounge for residents
- **Cost**: Approx. 1,180,000 KRW for 3 months
  ※ As of 2026; refer to the DIKL's notices for exact rates.
- **Dormitory Periods**

Semester	Stay period	Application Period	Result Announcement
Spring 2026	2026.03.16. - 2026.05.29.	2026.01.22. - 2026.01.29.	2026.02.06.
Summer 2026	2026.06.15. - 2026.08.28.	2026.05.01. - 2026.05.07.	2026.05.14.
Fall 2026	2026.09.14. - 2026.11.26.	2026.07.31. - 2026.08.07.	2026.08.14.
Winter 2026	2026.12.14. - 2027.02.26.	2026.10.30. - 2026.11.06.	2026.11.13.

※ Application Process: Detailed information will be posted on the DIKL website about 3 weeks before the application period.
※ The above schedule is subject to change depending on the circumstances of the DIKL, so please check in advance before applying.



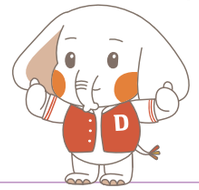




Student support programs

Global Buddy

We help language trainees adapt to school life and Korean culture through language and cultural exchanges with Korean students at Dongguk University.



Psychological Counseling

To help language trainees adapt to school life and manage stress, professional psychological counselors are invited to run a psychological counseling program dedicated to foreign language trainees. (available in Korean, English, Chinese, etc.)



Guidance for College&Grad admissions.

We provide counseling services to language trainees who wish to enter Dongguk University's undergraduate (graduate) school, and have a scholarship exclusive to students from the Korean Language Center.



TOPIK special class

It is an intensive exam preparation for the TOPIK exam. Any regular course student can take the class for free.



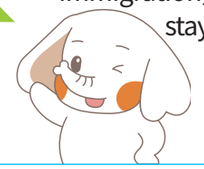
Scholarship

Sort	Scholarship amount	Eligible students
Best academic performance scholarship	30% tuition reduction	Best academic performance scholarship by grade in previous semester
Good academic performance scholarship	10% tuition reduction	Best academic performance scholarship by grade in previous semester



Immigration agency service

For the convenience of language trainees, we run an immigration agency service to handle matters related to immigration, such as alien registration and extension of stay.



TOPIK test center

It is a TOPIK test center designated by the National Institute for International Education where more than 3,000 foreigners a year take a TOPIK test at Dongguk University.



University Library

You have free access to Dongguk University Central Library, which holds over 1.6 million books.



Regular course admission

Eligibility Foreign nationals or overseas Koreans with a high school diploma or higher.

Academic schedule

- 10-week course per semester (200 hours)

Year	Semester	Period	Level test period
2026	Spring	2026.03.16. - 2026.05.29.	2026.02.21. - 2026.02.27.
	Summer	2026.06.15. - 2026.08.28.	2026.05.23. - 2026.05.29.
	Autumn	2026.09.14. - 2026.11.26.	2026.08.22. - 2026.08.28.
	Winter	2026.12.14. - 2027.02.26.	2026.11.21. - 2026.11.27.
2027	Spring	2027.03.18. - 2027.05.28.	2027.02.20. - 2027.02.26.

- **Application Schedule**: Applicants requiring a D-4 visa must apply at least 4 weeks before the start of the semester. Applicants not requiring a D-4 visa can apply up to 2 weeks before the start of the semester.
- The academic schedule is subject to change.

Registration Process

1. Submit the application and required documents through the institution's website.
2. Notification of the review results.
3. Pay tuition fee and application fee
4. Receive certificate of admission and individual visa application
5. Take online level test
6. Admission and start of classes

- Step 4 is only for applicants requiring a D-4 visa. The visa application must be submitted directly by the student to the overseas diplomatic mission (embassy/consulate) of their country.
- The standard admission letter will only be issued if registering for two or more semesters.
- The number of semesters registered and required documents vary by country, so be sure to inquire in advance.
- Additional documents may be required depending on the reason, and submitted documents will not be returned.

Tuition

Division	Amount	Note
Application Fee	100,000won	- Not refundable
Tuition Fee	1,800,000won	- Includes cost of textbooks, cultural experience, and insurance (Auto-subscription of school group insurance)

Payment method

- **Overseas remittance**: Pay through the link on the tuition bill attached to the email (both credit card payment and account transfer are acceptable)
- **Remittance within Korea**

Bank: Shinhan Bank
Account Holder: Dongguk University (KOREAN PROGRAM)
Account number: 140-006-285088

Required Documents

https://interlang.dongguk.edu/

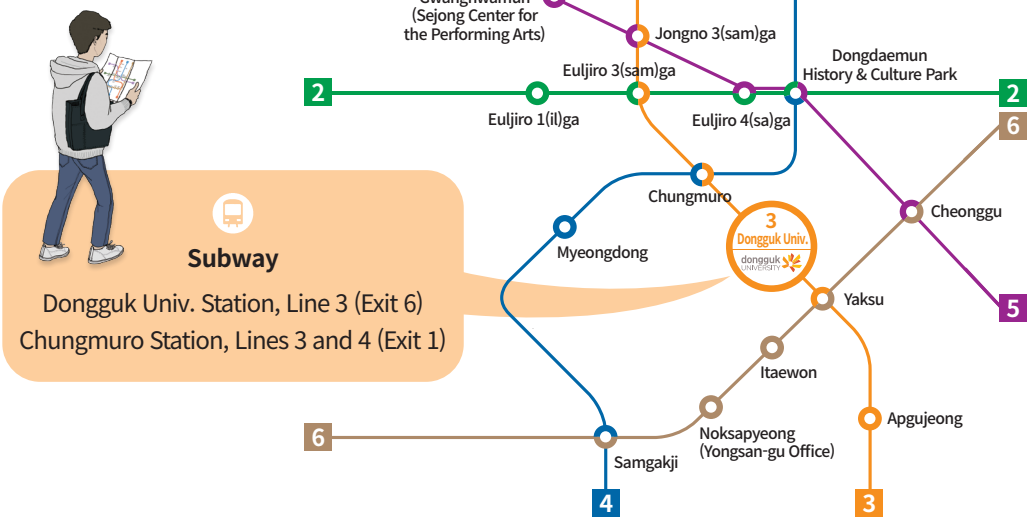
No.	Required Documents	Category			Remarks
		VISA (D-4) Not Required	VISA(D-4) Required		
			OECD Countries, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Singapore, etc.	Non-OECD Countries	
1	Application Form	O	O	O	
2	Passport Copy	O	O	O	
3	Alien Registration Card Copy or Valid Visa Proof	O	X	X	- Copy of both front and back - The duration of stay must include the class period
4	Photo File	O	O	O	
5	Final Degree Graduation Certificate	O[1]	O	O	- Apostille in English or Korean Consular Certification
6	Final Degree Transcript	X	X	O	- Apostille in English or Korean Consular Certification
7	Birth Certificate	X	X	O	- Apostille in English or Korean Consular Certification
8	Family Relationship Certificate	X	X	O	- Apostille in English or Korean Consular Certification
9	Parent's Certificate of Employment or Business Registration Certificate	X	X	O	- Apostille in English or Korean Consular Certification
10	Parent's Income Proof	X	X	O	- Apostille in English or Korean Consular Certification
11	Financial Proof	X	O[2]	O[3]	- Please refer to the footnotes for detailed information
12	Gap Proof	X	O[4]	O[5]	- Please refer to the footnotes for detailed information

※ Additional documents, such as a guarantor letter, may be requested depending on the reason.

1) **Final Degree Graduation Certificate**: Copy
2) **Financial Proof (OECD countries, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Singapore, etc.)**: Submit a 1-year bank transaction history or a balance certificate. The account holder's name must be the applicant's own name. The issue date must be within 1 month from the submission date. A minimum balance of 10,000,000 KRW (based on applying for 2 semesters). If the transaction history under the applicant's name is unavailable, documents under the parent's name can be submitted. If submitting documents under the parent's name, proof of family relationship must be provided.
3) **Financial Proof (Non-OECD countries)**: A balance certificate is required. The account holder's name must be the applicant's own name. The issue date must be within 1 month from the visa application date. The freeze period should be the end date of the course plus 15 days, with a frozen amount of 10,000,000 KRW (based on applying for 4 semesters).
4) **Gap Evidence (OECD countries, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Singapore, etc.)**: Only required if more than 2 years have passed since the final school graduation. A resume (Resume or CV) is required.
5) **Gap Evidence (Non-OECD countries)**: Only required if more than 1 year has passed since the final school graduation. A resume (Resume or CV) + gap evidence (such as a certificate of employment or work experience) is required.

Dongguk Institute of Korean Language (DIKL)
Everything you need is all here!

The institute selected by students from over 50 countries



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