



KF Global e-School of SMU

Program Outline

KF Global e-School program of SMU (Sookmyung Women's University) is supported by Korea Foundation (KF), a government affiliated organization. The purpose of this program is to provide overseas students with expanded opportunities to acquire an in-depth understanding of Korea. This program has been started as pilot program since 2011 and SMU joined as first year member in 2011.

The program will combine real-time online video lectures on Korea Studies with offline programs (workshop or seminar), which are scheduled to be held in our e-school partner university abroad.

The online program will be operated during semester. Korean professor will visit and meet with the students for the workshop in either the beginning or the end of the semester. The relevant expenses will be concerned by KF.

The lectures will be presented online by the faculty members of SMU for students at our e-school partner universities abroad, with an emphasis on such fields as politics, international relations, economics, as well as Korean language and culture.

Basically, **we expect the overseas universities to grant exchange credits to the students who take our class.** However, the classes might be implemented as a non-credit course as a 'pilot

program' only for the first semester when the program launches. The 'pilot program' here implies to a special lecture run as 1 time lecture in the beginning of the program.

The lectures will be taught mainly in English. However, it might be possible to offer a class in Korean for Korean language course upon the request from the partner university.

Furthermore, based on the program's success, selected students from the e-school partner university will be offered an opportunity to study Korea-related programs by the support of KF.

Support for Partner University Abroad

SMU will support e-School operational costs at our overseas counterparts. The program support will include honorariums (*According to the KF's guideline, the amount is subject to change every year) for a coordinating professor and an assistant at SMU's e-school partner university.

Korean government's support also enables us to bear all the expenses for an offline program, such as a workshop or a seminar, which might be held in our partner university abroad.

In addition, SMU plans to invite a student(s) per course, who have taken the e-school class, to SMU and to provide an opportunity to participate in short-term academic and exchange programs during SMU's summer vacation. The relevant costs to including tuition, airfare, and accommodation, will be paid by SMU. This program is referred as "KF Fellowship Program".

Moreover, KF will also support e-School partner universities abroad in their efforts to nurture Korean Studies scholars through the provision of assistance of its existing fellowships and grant programs, such as Korean Language Fellowship, Field Research Fellowship, and Graduate Studies Fellowship.

Recent News of KF-SMU

In 2016, SMU formed partnership with 6 different Universities in Vietnam, Brazil, India, Japan, Kuwait, and Senegal, providing 11 classes for the two semesters.

In 2017, even more expanded and diversified, SMU successfully formed partnership with 8 different universities in 7 different countries, including Kenya, and opened up to 14 classes.

In 2018, KF-SMU have stepped into 3rd phase of KF Global e-School Program, and are willing to provide even 8 classes in each semester, expecting to strengthen the connections between partner universities.

In 2021, KF-SMU will continue to participate in KF Global e-School Program 4th phase (year 2021-2023) program and are willing to provide over 20 classes in total each year.

Administrative Procedure

SMU and the e-school partner university will sign an MOU prior to the implementation of Global e-school program, once the related issues are clarified such as curriculum, credit grants, facilities, schedule, language, and etc.

2020 KF Global e-School classes

Country	Class
India	Understanding Contemporary Korean Culture
	Contemporary Korean Culture through Korean Literature
Japan	Understanding of Modern Korean Politics and Society(Korean)
	Folktales and Contemporary Korean Society(Korean)
	Korean Market Economy and Consumers
Brazil	Korean Politics and Economy
	Understanding Korean Law and Legal System
Vietnam	Market Economy and Consumer in Korea
	Society and Culture of Modern Korea
Vietnam	Korean Culture and Communication Styles
	Korean Society and Media
Iraq	Korean Politics and Economy
	Korean Culture and Communication Styles
	Entrepreneurship and New Venture
Kenya	Understanding modern Korea
Senegal	Conflicts and Economy
Indonesia	Korean Lexicology