Leading the Way in Korea and Worldwide
Seoul National University
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From a National University to a World-Class University
South Korea is located in the heart of Asia, with Japan to its east, China to its west and Taiwan to the south. The Korean peninsula boasts some of the most breathtaking landscapes that Asia has to offer. With high mountain ranges lining the eastern and southern regions and coastal plains, rolling hills, and valleys blanketing the rest of the country, the South Korean terrain is unparalleled in its beauty. The almost fifty million people who live in South Korea enjoy mild springs with blossoming cherry trees blooming early in the season, subtropical humid summers during the monsoon season. Autumn is picturesque with a myriad of colors and winters are cold and dry.

While ethnically and linguistically homogeneous, Koreans have become forward-thinking global citizens since the end of the Korean War. With a voracious desire for excellence and advancement, Korea has come to the forefront of the economic, technological, humanitarian and political arenas. Today, Korea is a power player not only in East Asia, but worldwide as well. The drive for excellence is rooted in an exemplary educational system completed by Korea’s renowned universities.

Seoul, home to more than ten million people, is one of the top ten global cities in the world according to the Global Cities Index in 2010. With more than 280,000 foreigners living in the capital, diversity is at an all time high for Korea’s largest and most bustling city. Seoul is the center of Korea’s technological market, having built the world’s first Digital Media City exclusively committed to Information Technology and multimedia services.

Seoul’s transportation system is well integrated and efficient, boasting the world’s third largest subway system and the number-one rated airport. Modern infrastructure improvements are expertly balanced with the preservation of historical sites. Well-kept ancient dynasty palaces, temples, and fortress gates can be seen throughout the nation’s capital. The balance between South Korea’s rich past and its bright future is evident throughout the country.
SNU, the Intellectual Pioneer
Academy & Research
Seoul National University has achieved a great deal in its 66-year history. As the indisputable leader of higher education in South Korea, SNU is known for the outstanding achievements made by the school itself as well as by its graduates.

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The founding of SNU in 1946 marked the opening of the first national university in modern South Korean history. Originally, the university was composed of one graduate school and nine colleges. Today, the university has sixteen colleges, nine professional graduate schools, one graduate school, and 135 research institutes and other supporting facilities, all of which are distributed over two campuses.

Gwanak Campus, the main campus of the university, is located at the foot of the magnificent Gwanak Mountains in a 4.8 km² area. The Schools of Medicine, Nursing, and Dentistry and the University Hospital are all located on the Yeongeon Campus in downtown Seoul.

SNU offers its students outstanding cultural and recreational opportunities with a wide variety of additional entertainment options available in the city of Seoul. SNU has a student enrollment of approximately 27,000, 16,000 at the undergraduate level and 11,000 at the graduate level. About 4,600 full-time faculty members are appointed at SNU with more than 200 international faculty members. Over 300,000 SNU alumni play a leading role in every sector of South Korean society.
Where Tradition Meets Innovation

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SNU World-Class University

SNU Yearly Rankings in The QS World University Rankings

In 2012, SNU ranked 37th in the "Top World Universities" ranking published by QS Top Universities.

Ranking by majors (2012)

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ACADEMICS & RESEARCH

Leading Research at SNU
In research volume and quality, SNU shows outstanding performances in various fields with more than 4,000 SCI article publications each year.

Unlocking Secrets of the Universe
Professor Myung Gyoon Lee, Doctor Hong Su Park and Ho Sung Hwang (all of the Department of Physics and Astronomy) discovered a huge scale structure made of globular clusters in the Virgo cluster of galaxies, the existence of which was predicted a few decades ago. These globular clusters wandering between galaxies contain a critical clue to reveal the early history of the universe. (Their work was published in the journal <Science>, March 2010).

One of the Top 100 Chemists Worldwide
Professor Taeghwan Hyeon (Dept. of Chemical and Biological Engineering) has been selected as one of the World’s Top 100 Chemists (Chemistry: rank 37, Materials Science: rank 19 based on number of citations) by UNESCO and IUPAC. Hyeon has also been appointed as an Associate Editor of Journal of the American Chemical Society, which is known to be the most prestigious journal in chemistry area.

Untangling the Mysterious 4-dimensional Space through Mathematics
Professor Jongil Park (Dept. of Mathematical Sciences) settled the 60-year-old conundrum in the field of mathematics by coming up with a completely novel concept of 4-dimensional manifolds. For his accomplishment he was selected as the only Korean invited speaker in International Congress of Mathematicians (ICM), held in Hyderabad in 2010, which is the most prestigious conference held in every 4 years under the auspices of the IMU, the world’s most distinguished mathematical union.
Step into a world of opportunities

SNU initiated 3B projects which aims to foster SNU as a globally competitive research university.

A number of internationally recognized scholars and researchers choose SNU as their main research base and the amount of international members has grown significantly within the last few years.

International Faculty Interviews

Prof. Giuseppa Scalia (Italy)
Graduate School of Convergence Science and Technology

When I arrived at SNU a bit more than one year ago, I did not really know what to expect. And now I think that I could never have really been prepared to such a change of culture, organization and lifestyle. Since then, I have experienced a plethora of new things: The experience at SNU has been challenging but also exciting. The combination of traditional Korean culture and modern dynamism with its high degree of flexibility and will to change makes SNU a very interesting place to work. I was and still am positively impressed by the attitude of my fellow professors, department heads and deans; they are always ready to give advice and practical help. The overall atmosphere of the working environment is pervaded by kindness and warm attitude, a statement that holds for students, administrative staff as well as faculty. These are valuable, crucial aspects for anybody that moves to a dramatically different environment.

Prof. David K. Wright (USA)
Dept. of Archaeology and Art History

I strongly value the collegial atmosphere at SNU and the ability of students to grasp new concepts and curricula. I am now collaborating with other professors in my department and students on research projects in Africa. The vast network of scientific tools and resources available in Korea and disciplined academic culture creates a vibrant atmosphere where truly innovative research is possible.

Prof. Lynn Ilion (USA)
Dept. of Education

My professional field is studying global knowledge networks and how they shape and reshape the world in which we live. The fundamental benefit of being at SNU is the intellectual content in which I work. Not only is Korea at the leading edge of technology and education, but it is constantly reassessing its strength, framework and balance within a global world of knowledge. Virtually every colleague I work with at SNU understands these issues and brings an interesting perspective from their field to my own understanding. The students are unparalleled in their ability to analyze, question and find new pathways. So, my first thought about working at SNU is the rich intellectual context that supports my own inquiry.

Prof. Junhua Yu (China)
Dept. of Chemistry Education

I joined SNU in 2010 and received warm reception from my colleagues. Cooperation is meant to all of us and I feel grateful to my colleagues and the administration offices for many valuable helps when I set up my new lab. Even though we might have to overcome some shortcomings of language barrier, the University is quick adapting itself for smooth communication between the faculty and the administration, and provides a high-quality, supportive teaching and research environment. One pleasant circumstance is that SNU recruits the most able students from Korea and more and more students from overseas. I met many talented and enthusiastic students on campus. All these factors may help us to build the foundations for future success. SNU is a nice place to start.

Prof. Junpei Kimura (Japan)
College of Veterinary Medicine

There are several reasons why I love to work in SNU. First of all, I enjoy teaching to students in my college who have a good educational foundation in areas like English, biology, chemistry and so on. Their motivation for the study of veterinary medicine is quite high and is of some pleasure to me. The communication ability of most of students is also attractive. Graduates from our college are often the leaders in many areas of veterinary medicine in Korea; many are also active in North America as the veterinarians and professors. In addition, SNU plays an important role as a hub in the education and research in East Asia and the rest of the world. As the top university in Korea, SNU is definitely a key university for the future advancement of veterinary medicine in Asia.

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SNU, Dynamic Experiences
Campus & Student Life
An Urban Campus Surrounded by Nature

Looking at Seoul, it is a landscape surrounded by a city, rather than a city surrounded by landscape. So is the SNU main campus. The campus is a paradox of natural and artificial planning, a complex organism where city and nature communicate by osmosis. Its architectural language is a true manifestation of Seoul, eclectic and in constant mutation.

– by Peter W. Ferretto (SNU Professor of Architecture)

SNU Museum is a treasure of Korean artifacts such as paintings, old maps and Buddhist artworks. It also provides public lectures to serve the local community.

Gwanaksan Dormitory

Gwanaksan, SNU students dormitory, is a small campus town that accommodates about 3,600 students. It’s equipped with restaurants, cafes, beer bug, computer labs, concert hall, etc.

Willow Valley (Beodeulgol)

Beodeulgol, which literally translates as willow valley, is a wide plain with gentle slopes which serves as the students’ favorite promenade or the place to take classes outdoors. On holidays, Major and Sunday visitors come here to rest or to have picnics or play sports in the most natural open air recreational space on campus.

Jahayeon

Jahayeon is a beautiful natural pond made from the mountain water. It’s located in the center of the Gwanaksan campus where most people pass by. It is the most natural open-air recreational space on campus.

A Walk to Remember

There is a long pathway with lighted trees which goes through the Gwanaksan campus. It links the northern part of campus to the southeastern part.

Student Center

A huge building dedicated to students activities. It houses most of the student clubs and opens 24 hours to anyone. It also has a student cafeteria and bookstore.

SNU Museum of Art (MoA), designed by Dutch architect Rem Koolhaas, has unique architectural aesthetics. It has no doors inside and all the halls are organically linked.

Kyujanggak

Kyujanggak was originally found as the imperial library in 1776, and later moved to SNU campus for academic research in rare documents. Some of them are designated as UNESCO World Documentary Heritages.

University Library

The University Library is located in the heart of campus. It holds a collection of over three million volumes, which is the largest amongst all Korean universities.

1st Engineering Building

16 story building, the highest one on the Gwanaksan campus. It was built in 1996 for the College of Engineering. Its modern glass walls which reflect the natural campus scenery.

CJ International Center

A new building for the international members of SNU community. It has the Office of International Affairs and Office which are made to serve the foreign students and faculty.

POSCO Sports Center

A modern sports complex for SNU faculty and students. It has an Olympic-size swimming pool, weight rooms, gyms, squash, basketball courts, it offers various sports classes for SNU members.
Housing

Gwanaksan is home to about 5,000 students from all over Korea and around the world. It provides residents with living quarters not only to study and relax, but also to meet people from various backgrounds. Residents leave Seoul National University with lifelong friendships and a rich and diverse student experience.

BK International House was established in 2003 to provide a stable residence for visiting professors and researchers from home and abroad. There are single rooms and family rooms available.

Off-campus housing is available around the campus. Free shuttle buses to campus are provided for students in addition to the convenient public transportation system. Many students choose to live off campus because it provides a different experience than living on-campus.

Cafeterias

You can experience international tastes on campus!

SNU offers the tastes of the world! Campus cafeterias and restaurants provide students with cuisines from around the globe - from Mexican and Italian, Chinese and Vietnamese to traditional Korean meals and sandwiches. Whether you are craving local foods or a delicious vegetarian meal, one of SNU's extensive cafeterias is sure to suit your needs.
Activities

SNU leads Korea as the top academic institution in and out of the classroom by providing students with a variety of clubs and organizations.

Sports clubs
There are many competitive student athletic teams in various sports such as soccer team, baseball team, American football team, swimming team, taekwondo team, etc. Sports clubs especially welcome participation of international students.

Student clubs
There are more than 200 student clubs at SNU. Being a member of a club will maximize your experience at SNU. Some of the popular student clubs include students’ orchestra, dance club, management consulting student association, painting clubs and various religious clubs.

Volunteer Clubs
Volunteer clubs are also actively running by SNU students. Some volunteer clubs focus on domestic volunteering such as teaching children of low-income families or donation fund-raising. Others extend their volunteer scope internationally.

Mentoring Program
Mentoring program is designed to help high school students of low-income families. SNU students (mentors) are matched with high school students (mentees) and provide counseling on academic as well as personal issues.

SNU Buddy Program
In order to help international exchange students to settle down in Korea and promote interaction between the international students and local students, SNU buddy program provides various information and a number of cultural programs throughout the semester. International exchange students can learn and experience Korea through their SNU buddies while at the same time introducing their own culture and lifestyle to SNU students. Many students who have participated in the buddy program build a strong friendship which lasts beyond the continents, thus helping students become true global citizens.

SNU Student Ambassador
The SNU Student Ambassador program is instrumental in bringing a more global atmosphere to SNU as its mission is to provide a bridge between international students and foreign dignitaries and guests that visit SNU. The main duties as a student ambassador include participation in international affairs of SNU such as assisting protocol of the VIPs visiting the university, assisting international conferences hosted by the OIA, and hosting events for international students on campus.

Joining a student club is one of the most common and practical way to make friends with people around the campus who share the same interest with you. SNU has various student clubs that welcome anyone who is willing to share their passion. Student clubs are generally called Dong-a-ri, and new members are mostly recruited during the first few weeks after a semester begins. I enjoyed exciting activities and made wonderful memories in the clubs that I participated in. Many of my brightest moments in SNU were made in the club activities. If you are interested in any fields of music, sports, journalism, film, etc., don’t hesitate to find the right club and join in!

Se-Young Son (Korean) • Undergraduate, Department of Economics
The academic year of SNU starts on March and ends at the end of February. One academic year consists of two regular semesters of spring & fall, and two short sessions of summer and winter. Students may choose to apply for the spring or fall entrance every year.

Admission decisions are based on the candidate’s academic achievements and potential, as well as his or her personal accomplishments. The admission committee reviews a number of factors such as records of past studies, the study plan, personal statement, and letters of recommendation. Other achievement records and specific qualifications such as language proficiency are also taken into consideration. The candidate’s application is reviewed in the context of the level of studies completed, quality of achievement, and characteristics of institutions attended. Finally, the appropriateness of the applicant’s academic goals and suitability of preparation for the proposed program of studies are assessed. Interviews, examinations, and/or additional documents may be required from the applicant, based on the policy of the specific college or department. If the applicant is applying to the College of Fine Arts, the College of Music, the Department of Physical Education or the Fine Arts Education Major, the applicant will be notified individually in case that they need to submit portfolio.

SNU welcomes students from a variety of backgrounds and recognizes that international students provide diverse perspectives and contribute to a dynamic learning atmosphere.

For more information about other aspects of the admissions process, please consult the admissions staff at the Office of Admissions:

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Office of International Affairs (http://oia.snu.ac.kr)

The Office of International Affairs (OIA) is in charge of developing, promoting, and assisting Seoul National University’s international programs and strategic initiatives. The OIA identifies, develops, and maintains inter-university partnerships and agreements, and international curricula. In addition, the OIA provides administrative support for the university’s international students, promotes cross-cultural events on campus, and conducts protocol activities for visiting officials.

Language Education Institute (http://lei.snu.ac.kr)

The Language Education Institute (LEI) was established to conduct research on linguistics and language education, to disseminate the results and apply them in practice, and to test language proficiency. The Language Education Institute consists of the Korean Language Education Center, the Foreign Language Education Center, the Language Proficiency Testing Center, and an Administrative Office. At the Korean Language Education Center, courses on Korean language and culture are offered to foreigners and Korean nationals. Over 20,000 students from 80 countries have come to learn at the Institute, and now they promote Korean language and culture around the world.
SNU Global program is offering SNU students a world of opportunities. SNU has signed MOUs with over 1000 universities and institutions in 53 countries around the world to provide talented students with global experiences.

**Student Exchange Program**

SNU has about 500 student exchange agreements, both at the University and the College level, around the world. Students may apply to study at any of these universities either as an exchange or visiting student. In addition, they can choose to participate in any of the following global programs during their enrollment at SNU.

**Visiting Student Study Abroad Program**

SNU is a member of SAF (Study Abroad Foundation) Korea. SNU students can apply for study abroad program through SAF. SAF provides opportunities to study at universities in the US, Canada, UK, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand for one year or one semester. It also provides English language learning as part of the program. Academic credit transfer between SNU and participating universities is possible.

**Stanford & Yale Summer Program**

SNU students have the opportunity to take summer courses while learning languages at Stanford or Yale University during the summer break. Approximately 30 students participate in this program each year. Eligible SNU students are allowed to take regular summer courses at Yale University. At Stanford University, SNU students may participate in extra-curricular activities.

**Harvard-Yenching Program (Harvard University)**

The Harvard-Yenching Institute provides research funding for doctoral students and faculty members nominated by SNU.

**Asia in Today’s World Program**

SNU students can take summer courses on Asian Studies at Kyushu University in Japan. The program is open to students from any major.

**Seoul-Tokyo-Peking International Summer School**

Students selected from Korea, Japan and China participate in the three-weeks program which spends one week in Waseda University and one week in Peking University. Classes participating in seminars on political and economic issues and field trips for three weeks in total.

**APRU Undergraduate Summer Program**

Students may earn three credits taking summer courses at APRU (Association of Pacific Rim Universities) member universities.

**Global Talent Program**

The SNU Career Development Center (CDC) provides undergraduate and graduate students with opportunities to apply their academic knowledge in the global work environment. The CDC provides development training to selected students, helping them locate and secure internship opportunities abroad. It also provides students with Global Talent Awards to help students meet expenses incurred during overseas internship.

**Global Programs**

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With a purpose to nurture next generation leaders who will lead development in Asia, Korea-Japan-China implemented Campus Asia Program, seeking a model of ERASMUS program in European countries. By participating in the Campus Asia Program, students can study in all three countries, transfer credits and graduate with a joint/double degree in their study field. At SNU, Graduate School of International Studies, College of Business Administration, College of Law and College of Engineering are participating in the Campus Asia Program in association with Beijing University, Renmin University, Tonghua University, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Nanjing University in China, the University of Tokyo, Hitotsubashi University, Nagoya University and Tohoku University in Japan.

KOICA Supported Programs

With the support of the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), an organization dedicated to fostering developing countries’ Human Resources Development (HRD), the KOICA-ODA program provides comprehensive and practical education on development policy to selected students from developing countries, and focuses on enabling them to work as experts in their field of study in the future. SNU is committed to offer this program through individual department, through individual department as a degree program and/or short term program.

Master’s Degree in International Development Policy (GSIS)

The purpose of this program is to contribute to the development of human resources who will contribute positively and effectively to the socio-economic advancement of developing countries and to share the Korean experience and knowledge with other developing countries, that will further enhance their expertise in the areas of economic development policy and cooperation.

Master’s Degree in Public Administration (GSPA)

The Global Public Administration program educates selected government officials of developing countries for 23 months and offer curricula to achieve administrative capacity and to share with Korea’s development experience and to deliver the knowledge of development administration, and to contribute to economic and social development of their home country.

CLS/SNU and KOICA Joint Program for Global Development and Cooperation Student-Designed Major (CLS)

This program is offered to students at College of Liberal Studies at SNU who are interested in majoring in Global Development and Cooperation as a student-designed major. Students learn and discuss issues and theories related to global development and cooperation, global justice and culture, etc. The program also offers various experiences such as global exchanges.

Example of Joint Master’s Program of SNU-Peking University – the University of Tokyo

SNU 1 year

Peking University 1 year

University of Tokyo 1 year

Moira Kelley (USA) • M.A. Candidate, Graduate School of International Studies

I became a member of the SNU community in the fall of 2011 as a Master’s candidate at the Graduate School of International Studies. As an international student, university’s overall social environment, academic standing and location are important to me when deciding where to study. I quickly realized that SNU has worked hard to create a comfortable and academically stimulating atmosphere - in and out of the classroom. SNU is a place where students can attain the best education that South Korea has to offer from an unparalleled professional staff and among Korea’s brightest students. Staying and living in the heart of a major Asian city also keeps life exciting, giving me an opportunity to get off campus and experience Korea. The city of Seoul and SNU have become my home away from home!

Office of International Affairs Seoul National University
International Summer Institute

ISI courses are conducted entirely in English. Lectures are combined with field trips to cultural sites and an optional Korean language program to make the summer experience an exciting cross-cultural encounter.

Why study at SNU in Summer?
Rich Academic Heritage  SNU offers an opportunity to study and interact with eminent faculty and outstanding students from SNU and around the world.

Top International Faculty  Each summer course will be taught by a team of renowned international scholars from leading universities around the world as well as SNU.

Wealth of Traditional Heritage  Explore the SNU Library, Museum of Art (MoA), and Museum including the Kyujanggak Royal Archet (founded by King Jeongjo during the Joseon Dynasty).

Immersion Experience  In addition to a rigorous academic program, the SNU ISI offers a full immersion into Korean culture and society. ISI students will have opportunities to interact with SNU students in class and on campus. Experience Korea’s multi-faceted society through cultural and industrial excursions as well as special lectures given by prominent leaders in Korean society. Located at the foot of Mount Gwanak, the SNU campus is well-known for its beauty and serves as a convenient base for exploring Seoul and Korea.

Michael Walker (UK) • University of Manchester

It would not be much of an overstatement to say that my time spent on SNU’s International Summer Institute formed the best summer of my life. It was tremendous and nothing short of superb. The programme was intense and hard work but was also very rewarding and great fun. The classes were extremely interesting and enjoyable and being an engineering student, I welcomed the chance to study outside of my main focus and develop new skills. Outside of the academics, there were organised field trips to experience both popular and traditional Korean culture, as well as numerous student-led impromptu trips to museums, restaurants and bars which ensured I experienced every aspect of Korean culture. All of this took place under the guidance and friendship of the amazing teaching assistants and staff who went above and beyond the call of duty to make sure everyone was happy. I would not hesitate for a second in recommending ISI to any student.
Global Campus

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Composition of International Students in 2012

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SNU Overseas Offices

SNU has opened its overseas offices in America and China. It aims to gradually increase overseas offices in other countries so that SNU can be easily reached by students, professors and researchers from all over the world.

SNU in America

Located in Los Angeles, USA, SNU in America is the first SNU office in overseas which was opened in May 2009. Its missions are to facilitate information exchange with top US universities, to hold events to introduce the SNU and study abroad programs to American students, to facilitate the research activities of SNU researchers in America, to support the activities of SNU alumni associations and to facilitate exchanges with Central & Latin American universities.

SNU in China

SNU in China is the second overseas office which was opened in 2012 in Beijing, China with a purpose to promote SNU in mainland China and surrounding countries. SNU China is also concentrating its goal to strengthen networking with global corporations and partner universities around the region while supporting alumni network.

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The names of SNU alumni are engraved in the history of Korea.

In the areas of politics, economy and culture, they have served as leaders to remember. Many of them are now serving as global leaders on the world stage. SNU takes great pride in their distinguished accomplishments.

**Ki-moon BAN**  
Secretary General of the United Nations  
Department of International Relations  
Graduating Class of 1970

Ban is the former Foreign Minister of the Republic of Korea and the eighth and current Secretary General of the United Nations General Assembly. He has led several major reforms regarding peacekeeping and UN employment practices.

**Yong-ran KIM**  
The First Female Justice of the Supreme Court of Korea  
Department of Law  
Graduating Class of 1979

Kim was appointed as a Justice of the Supreme Court in 2004 as the first female Justice in Korea. Her judiciary began in 1981 as a Judge of Seoul High Court and served in the Seoul High Court, Suwon District Court, Seoul Family Court and Seoul District Court.

**Hongkun PARK**  
The First Korean Professor at Harvard University  
Department of Chemistry  
Graduating Class of 1990

Park joined the faculty of the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology at Harvard University in 1999. His research involves developing detailed physical and chemical understanding of chemically derived applications.

**Zang-Hee CHO**  
The First Inventor of PET (Positron Emission Tomography)  
Department of Electrical Engineering  
Graduating Class of 1960

Cho is a neuroscientist who developed the first Ring-PET scanner and the scintillation detector BGO. More recently, he developed the first “PET-MRI” fusion molecular imaging device for neuro-molecular imaging.

**Chang-gyu HWANG**  
The founder of Hwang’s Law in semiconductor  
Department of Electrical Engineering  
Graduating Class of 1978

Hwang is the Chief Manager of R&D Strategic Planning Team of Korea Ministry of Knowledge Economy. Formerly, he served as the Chief Technology Officer of Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.

**Sang-Hyun SONG**  
The First Korean Judge of the International Criminal Court  
Department of Law  
Graduating Class of 1963

Song was elected to the first ever bench of ICC judges for a three-year term in 2003. In 2006, he was re-elected to the court for a term of nine years.

**In-ho LEE**  
The First Female Ambassador of Korea  
Department of Chemistry  
Graduating Class of 1955

Lee is the first female ambassador of Korea who served in Finland and Russia. She was also appointed as a professor of Korea University and Seoul National University and presented as the president of the Korea Foundation.

**Seong-hee PARK**  
The researcher developed a new treatment for Diabetes  
Department of Medicine  
Graduating Class of 1975

Park has developed a new treatment protocol that is expected to completely cure diabetes by successfully transplanting pig pancreatic cells to diabetic monkeys.

**Narry KIM**  
The First Korean winner of Women in Science Award (L’Oreal-UNESCO)  
Department of Chemistry  
Graduating Class of 1992

Kim is the 2008 laureate for Asia-Pacific of the L’Oréal-UNESCO Award for the Women in Science, for elucidating the formation of a new class of PNA molecules involved in gene regulation.
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