

Department of Korean Language and Literature

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The Department of Korean Language and Literature was inaugurated in 1955 when Kyung Hee was officially accredited as a university.

The department aims to conduct both systematic and scientific research in Korean language and literature. The department has five major areas of study : Korean Linguistics, Modern Literature, Classical Literature, Korean Education and Korean Cultural Contents. In Korean linguistics, students engage in linguistic studies of the Korean language in its various stages of development throughout history, from the ancient to the modern form of today. In modern literature, students gain knowledge of Korean literature through readings and analyses of literary works. Students are also provided with opportunities to engage in creative writing. In Korean classics, students learn to analyze and study literary works from ancient times to the so-called “Renaissance” of Korean literature. In Korean Education, students are trained as competent educators of the Korean language and provided a wide range of opportunities to enhance the Korean cultural background as civil cultural ambassadors. Major of Korean cultural contents aims to cultivate cultural contents specialists with solid understanding on Korean culture.

| Degree Requirements |

- At least 24 course units of graduate level credit in Korean Language and Literature courses are required for the master’s degree; 36 course units for the doctoral degree
- Students must pass a qualifying examination(Applicable to : Students admitted before 2025).
- Students must fulfill presentation, defense, and document requirements for the Korean Language and Literature thesis committee.
- A thesis advisor can be any faculty member from the Korean Language and Literature Department.

| Courses |

- Korean Linguistics : History of Korean Language, History of the Korean Grammar, History of the Korean Phoneme, Korean Syntax, Korean Semantics, Korean Morphology, Korean Lexicology, Modern Linguistics, Korean Phonology, Sociolinguistics, Comparative Linguistics, etc.
- Modern Literature : Contemporary Literatures, Contemporary Poetry, Contemporary Poet and Language Thought, Children’s Literature, Novel Writing, Literature Theory and Practical Criticism, Comparative Perspective in Literature, etc.
- Classical Literature : Korean Folklore and Contents, Old Korean Novels and Writers, East Asian Narrative Literature, Chinese Poetry, EastAsian Mythology, Classical Chinese Literature, Korean Classical Proses
- Korean Education : Teaching Korean as a Foreign Language, Materials for Korean Language Teaching, Korean Culture

Education, Korean Education Visits and Mock Classes, Korean Grammar Education, Introduction to Second Language Acquisition, Korean Education Methodologies, Korean Teaching Methodologies, Korean Grammar Education, Korean Language Assessment, Korean Pragmatics, etc.

· Korean Cultural Contents : Studies of the Visual Culture, Topics on Storytelling, Field of the Culture Contents, Media and Contents, Film Criticism, Topics on Culture Contents, Studies on the Korean Wave, Topics in Film Criticism, Modern Culture and Culture Contents, Culture Contents and Storytelling, etc.

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