

# 2012 KGSP Graduate Program FAQ

## <Qualifications>

**1. If my country has not been allocated an applicant quota for the 2012 KGSP graduate program, can I still apply for a master's program through KGSP?**

**2. I will finish my master's course in Korea by August 2012. Am I eligible for application to this program?**

*Applicants who have enrolled in or graduated from a university in Korea will be disqualified from applying to the KGSP program. Specifically, an applicant who has previously enrolled in or graduated from an undergraduate program, a master's program, or a doctoral program in Korea cannot apply for this program.*

*However, a KGSP scholar who has graduated or will graduate from a Korean university as of August 31st, 2012 can apply for this program again. However, he or she may only do so if only he/she holds at least TOPIK Level 4. Additionally, he or she must re-apply through a Korean embassy, and obtain another recommendation within the allotment from the Korean Embassy of his/her respective country of origin (Note: re-application is limited to one instance).*

**3. I will finish my master's course in August 2012. May I apply for the 2012 KGSP Ph.D. program?**

**4. I will complete my master's degree in September 2012. May I apply for the 2012 Ph.D. program?**

**5. I am receiving the GKS scholarship for self-funded students of excellence. May I apply for this program?**

**6. I am studying in a Korean university as an exchange student. May I apply for this program?**

### **<Documents>**

**7. May I apply for the program through the NIIED directly?**

*※NIIED and foreign embassies in Korea are not 1st Selection Institutions and do not accept applications.*

*※NIIED only accepts and judges the candidates recommended by the 1st Selection Institutions.*

**8. When is the deadline for application?**

*※Deadline of Submission : The date set forth by the 1st Selection Institutions within March 2012*

*※Deadline for the Recommendation of Candidates to NIIED by the 1st Selection Institutions: April 13th, 2012.*

**9. Where can I submit my application?**

**10. I am a Korean adoptee who has foreign nationality. Where can I submit my application for the KGSP graduate program?**

**11. Should I submit the certificates of language proficiency (English or Korean) when I apply for the KGSP?**

**12. What should I fill out in the of [Personal Data] ?**

**15. According to the Guideline, I have to submit one original document package and three photocopied document packages. How can I photocopy my transcript and recommendation letter? They are already sealed by the issuing school and the recommender.**

*※In case of submitting photocopied documents, applicants must submit the original to the 1st Selection Institution and have the original one and the photocopied one collated. The confirmation of collation should be indicated in the photocopied documents.*

**16. If my documents are not written in English or in Korean, how should I submit them?**

*※Documents not in English or Korean must be accompanied by a complete English or Korean translation authenticated by the issuing institution or notarized by a notary's office*

**17. I am Japanese but I am working in Vietnam. May I apply for the program through the Korean Embassy in Vietnam?**

**18. I have Chinese citizenship. According to the Guideline, there is only Embassy quotas allocated to China. Therefore, should I apply for the program via the Korea Embassy?**

**19. I am American living in Los Angeles, United States. I am going to apply for the program via the Korean Embassy. Should I submit my application to the Korean Embassy in Washington, D.C., and how?**

### **<University Admission>**

**20. When I apply for a master's or doctoral program, may I choose any field of study in my desired program?**

*University Information*

**21. How many majors and universities can I apply for admission?**

*※Eligible Universities: The 51 listed universities (or institutions) as designated by NIIED.*

*Applicants (including Korean adoptees) who apply for this program via Korean Embassies must choose 3 desired universities out of the 51 universities listed below.*

*Applicants who apply for this program via the designated universities may choose only 1 desired university out of the 51 universities.*

*※Available Fields of Study: Applicants must choose their desired fields of study from the listed programs detailed in the University Information section*

**22. I am going to apply for the program via the Korea Embassy in my country. Application guidelines state that applicants should choose up to 3 preferred universities and departments (or majors). I have no idea how to choose them. Could you give me any good tips for choosing my 3 universities?**

### **<Korean Language Course>**

**23. Is it mandatory for all KGSP grantees to pass at least Level 3 in TOPIK after one year of Korean Language Course?**

**24. Can I be exempted from the Korean Language Course?**

### **<Degree Course>**

**25. May I change my final choice of university for my graduate degree during the preliminary Korean language course?**

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**26. Is it possible to extend my scholarship for my dissertation composition even after my scholarship period has been terminated?**