

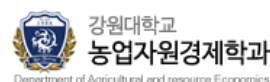
# KOICA-Kangwon National University Master's Degree Program in Agricultural Economics

August 10, 2017 – December 22, 2018

Seongnam & Chuncheon, the Republic of Korea



Korea International Cooperation Agency



Kangwon National University

***\*Participants are strongly advised to thoroughly read and follow the provided instructions in the Program Information.\****

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<b>Part I</b>	<b>KOICA &amp; SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM</b>
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The Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) was founded as a government agency on April 1, 1991, to maximize the effectiveness of Korea's grant aid programs for developing countries by implementing the government's grant aid and technical cooperation programs.

In the past, development cooperation efforts were focused on meeting the Basic Human Needs (BHNs) of developing countries and on fostering their Human Resources Development (HRD).

However, the focus has now shifted to promoting sustainable development, strengthening partnerships with developing partners, and enhancing the local ownership of beneficiaries.

Additionally, global concerns such as the environment, poverty reduction, gender mainstreaming, and population have gained significant importance among donor countries.

Due to the continuously changing trends in development assistance efforts and practices, KOICA is striving to adapt to these changes by using its limited financial resources effectively on areas where Korea has a comparative advantage.

In particular, since Korea has the unique experience of developing from one of the poorest countries in the world to one of the most economically advanced, this know-how is an invaluable asset that helps KOICA to efficiently support the sustainable socioeconomic development of its partner countries.

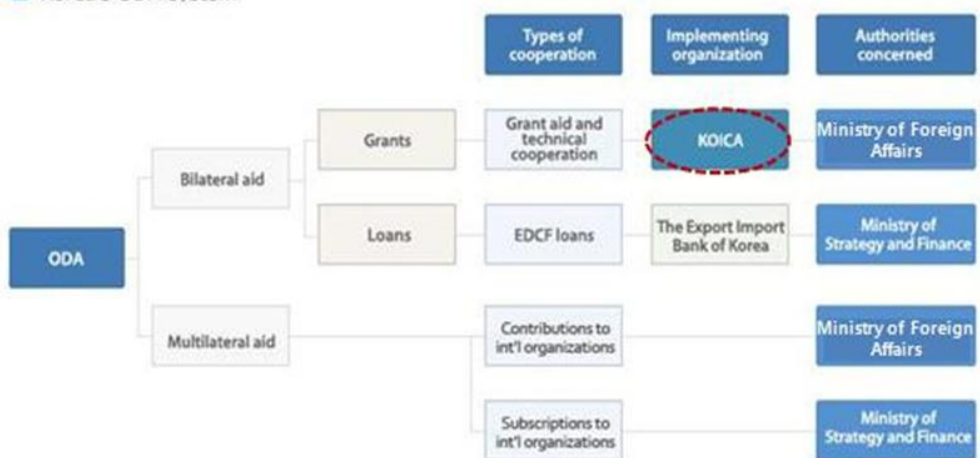
## Korea's ODA & Framework

Official Development Assistance (ODA) is composed of grants or concessional loans, which are provided to developing countries with the purpose of promoting economic development and welfare.

Korea's ODA is classified into three areas: 1) bilateral aid (grant aid & technical cooperation), 2) bilateral loans, and 3) financial subscriptions and contributions to international organizations (multilateral).

Bilateral aid is comprised of technical cooperation and various types of transfer (made in cash, goods or services) with no obligation for repayment, and is implemented by KOICA under the authority of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Republic of Korea. Bilateral loans are provided on concessional terms under the name of the Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF), implemented by the Export-Import Bank of Korea under the Ministry of Strategy and Finance. Multilateral assistance is delivered either as financial subscriptions or as contributions to international organizations.

 Korea's ODA system



## **Korea's Experience and KOICA's Program for Human Resources Development**

Human Resources Development (HRD) has been the most important factor in Korea's escape from vicious cycle of poverty and underdevelopment that had existed for many decades. With scarce natural resources, HRD played a vital role in modern Korea's development. Clearly, Korea has emerged as an exemplary showcase of national development powered by HRD.

From its own development experience, Korea came to fully recognize the significance of HRD, specifically about Korea's collaboration with other developing countries. With much experience and know-how in HRD, Korea contributes greatly to the international community by sharing its unique development experience with other nations.

Since its establishment in 1991, KOICA supported a variety of international cooperation programs for HRD, mainly in project-type aid form, focusing on education and vocational training with a concentration in building a foundation for HRD.

The training and expertise-sharing programs help our partner countries build administrative and technical expertise in both the public and private sectors. In order to share experience at the grassroots level, under the name of World Friends Korea, KOICA dispatches Korea Overseas Volunteers to provide services in the fields such as education, regional development, computer science, health care and nursing. Approximately 7,806 volunteers have been dispatched to 57 countries thus far.

The training program provides opportunities to individuals from developing countries to gain first-hand knowledge of Korea's development experience. The purpose of the program is to enable the participants to apply what they learned for the development of their home country or local community. Since 1991, KOICA has offered 3,695 courses to 53,984 participants from 174 countries. There are a wide range of topics covered in the training program, including administration, economic development, science and technology, information and communication technology, agriculture and health. In order to meet the changing needs of partner countries, KOICA always strives to renovate and improve its HRD programs.

### **Types of KOICA Training Programs**

KOICA offers five major types of training programs:

**1. Country Training Program**

Tailored programs that are specifically designed for an individual partner country

**2. Regular Training Program**

Programs that are open to any interested partner countries

**3. Special Training Program**

Programs that are temporarily available owing to particular commitments of the Korean as well as partner governments

**4. Joint Training Program**

Programs conducted in partnership with international organizations and other agencies

**5. Scholarship Program**

Master's degree programs offered to individuals from partner countries

**KOICA's Scholarship Program**

With a mission to nurture talented students from developing countries, KOICA invites high-caliber students from developing countries and helps them gain professional and systematic knowledge that will play a key role in their home country's development.

To accomplish this mission, KOICA has been operating master's degree courses with leading Korean universities in the fields of economics, trade, women's empowerment, rural development, etc.

In particular, this program has significantly strengthened the relationships between Korea and the students' home countries. Students, who have been given an opportunity to see Korea's experience in poverty reduction and socio-economic development, will gain a deeper understanding of Korea and contribute to the future social, political and economic ties between the two nations.

From 1997 to 2014, the program has assisted a total of 2,210 students. In addition, as of 2015, 388 participants will participate in 19 master's degree programs at 16 Korean universities.

KOICA Scholarship Program is fully committed to the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and is determined to expand its efforts to nurture future talents from developing countries to promote their countries' sustainable economic growth and social development.

## **Part II**

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

■ **Program Title: KOICA-Kangwon National University Master's Degree**

**Program in Agricultural Economics**

■ **Duration**

- Stay duration: **August 10, 2017 ~ December 22, 2018** (17 months study in Korea including 2 weeks of pre-course)

During 17 months in **Kangwon National University**, students are strongly recommended to complete their thesis.

- Academic duration: **September 1, 2017 ~ December 22, 2018 (16 months)**

In accordance to the university regulations, the diploma will be issued in February 2019.

■ **Degree**

- Master of Science in Economics (Major: Agricultural Economics)

■ **Objectives**

- 1) To educate governmental officials of developing countries in the areas of agricultural economics and agricultural industry in order to enhance their comprehensive competency for nurturing start-ups
- 2) To share all sorts of theories and methodologies in agricultural economics and rural economy
- 3) To enhance the competency for ultimately promoting rural development and agricultural industry
- 4) To increase the competency for vitalizing start-ups in rural economy and agricultural industry
- 5) To share the Korean experience in agricultural economics as well as its application and implementation on the agricultural industry and to train leaders amicable to Korea



- **Training Institute:** Kangwon National University (KNU)  
(<http://www.kangwon.ac.kr/english/main/main.php>)
- **Number of Participants:** 20 Participants of Government Officials
- **Language of Instruction:** English (fluency that requires no translation)
- **Accommodations:** Dormitories at Kangwon National University(KNU),  
Double-occupancy)

**Part III****HOW TO APPLY****1. APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY****Candidates should:**

- Be a citizen of the Scholarship Program Target Country.
- Be officially nominated by their governments.
- Be a government employee or researcher. With a minimum of 3 years of working or research experience in government or government funded research institutes or other relevant institutions which associated with agricultural economics
- Be a graduate who has a Bachelor's degree or an equivalent to college / university level educational background.
- Have a good command of both spoken and written English in order to take classes conducted entirely in English and to be able to write academic reports and theses in English.
- Not be a person who has withdrawn from KOICA's scholarship program.
  - \* Person belonging to the institution in which candidates submitted false documents and returned to his/her country arbitrarily in the middle of SP program cannot apply.
- Have not participated in KOICA's scholarship program or any of the Korean Government's Scholarship Program before (Master's degree program).

**2. APPLICATION AND ADMISSION PROCEDURE**

Procedure	Dates
<b>Step 1.</b> Closing Date for Application Package Submission	April 12, 2017
<b>Step 2.</b> On-site Interview (KOICA)	April 13-18, 2017

Procedure	Dates
<b>Step 3.</b> Document Screening	April 20-27, 2017
<b>Step 4.</b> Phone Interview	May 15-25, 2017
<b>Step 5.</b> Medical Check-up (local)	May 29-June 30, 2017
<b>Step 6.</b> Final Admissions Notification	July 3, 2017

\* The timeline in this table is based on the local time in South Korea and is subject to change.

### Post Admission

Arrival in Korea	August 10, 2017
KOICA Orientation	August 11, 2017
KNU Orientation	August 14, 2017

### 1) Application Package Submission

- Prepare all required documents for your admission package and fill out the 'Document Checklist'. Check whether all information is correct.
- Submit the application package (including both **KNU** and **KOICA** application forms and other required documents) to the regional KOICA office or Korean Embassy (if KOICA office is unavailable) by the submission date (April 12).
- Original copies should be sent to **KNU** before the phone interviews. (If it is unavailable, the originating institution must authorize copies before they are submitted.)

### 2) On-site Interview (KOICA)

- Participate in an on-site interview by KOICA regional office or Korean Embassy. If an applicant lives in a country where the KOICA regional office / Embassy does not exist or lives far from the capital city, he / she can be interviewed by phone after consulting with the KOICA regional office / Embassy.

### **3) 1st Round: Document Screening**

- Applicants nominated by the regional KOICA office or Korean Embassy (if KOICA office is unavailable) as a result of the on-site interview and have submitted their application packages are considered for document screening.
- Document screening will be processed by **KNU**. Application package as well as the on-site interview result will be thoroughly reviewed by committee of **KNU**.
- Every component included in the application package such as the reputation of undergraduate school, undergraduate GPA, English proficiency, current affiliation, working experience will be evenly evaluated.
- The result for the 1<sup>st</sup> round selection will be announced to the applicants and KOICA respectively.
- \* It is a policy of the university not to disclose the result of the document screening.

### **4) 2<sup>nd</sup> Round: Interview (University)**

- An opportunity for a phone interview will be given only to those who pass through the 1<sup>st</sup> selection document screening successfully.
- Details of the interview including the interviewee list will be sent to the regional KOICA offices and interview arrangements will be made respectively.
- Phone interview schedule will be notified individually by the regional KOICA offices or Korean embassy with 2~3 day notice in advance.
- The result for the phone interview will be announced to the applicants individually by KOICA.

### **5) Medical Check-up (Local)**

- (Summary) The medical check-up results will identify the applicants' health conditions, and doctors belong to the coordinating agency will verify factors that hamper the completion of the scholarship program.
- (Coordinating Agency Contact Info)
  - Inje University PAIK Hospital
  - Person in charge: Ms. Leah OH
  - E-mail: [inje\\_paik@daum.net](mailto:inje_paik@daum.net)
  - Tel: +82-2-2273-0980

- (Date of examination) May 29-June 30, 2017
  - The date of the medical check-up will be notified individually from the coordinating agency after passing the interview successfully.
  - The hospital reservation and related information will be notified to the applicants individually by e-mail from the coordinating agency. However, applicants who do not receive any notice until May 12<sup>th</sup> 2017, they should contact via e-mail or telephone with the coordinating agency.
  - ※ Since coordinating agency will provide guidance on medical check-up for those who passed the 2<sup>nd</sup> round interview by e-mail, you need to fill out the correct e-mail address on the application form and check your e-mail in time.
- (Recipient) Applicants who successfully pass the 2<sup>nd</sup> round interview (limited to about 130% of capacity)
  - Applicants who successfully pass the 2<sup>nd</sup> round interview must receive an additional medical check-up. If you fail to take the examination within the given time, you will be disqualified.
  - Even though you are on the waiting list, you must receive the medical check-up.
- (Medical institution) The medical check-up will be carried out in the medical institution “designated by KOICA” located in the applicant’s capital city.
- ※ Examinations received individually are invalid and non-refundable.
- (Expenses) The coordinating agency designated by KOICA will cover all costs to the local medical institution directly, so the applicants should not make separate payments to the medical institution.
  - Please remember that transportation and accommodation fees will NOT be reimbursed.
  - KOICA will not pay for the treatment necessary after the examination.
- (Result notice) The local medical institution does not inform the participant of the results of the examination, but if the participants request to the local medical check-up service agency, they will send it to them directly.
  - You may be asked to receive re-examination by the coordinating agency to certain your medical condition.

- ※ In case of re-examination, it must be done during the re-examination period.  
(The coordinating agency will inform individually for those who need re-examination.)
- The results will be provided to KOICA Headquarters, KOICA overseas office as well as embassies, training institution, training support organization, and coordinating agency to progress application process.

Please read carefully before you apply

Changes in other natural and living environments may affect your health as leaving your home country. Among the trainees who have ever entered the country; their physical condition has fallen sharply, resulting in cases where they are hospitalized or had to return home earlier without being able to complete the program. In order to prevent such situation, we apply and judge the standard that does not interfere with the long-term study through the health screening when selecting trainees; we comprehensively judge the applicant's health eligibility based on the result of the medical examination.

Therefore, if you suffered from an illness in the past, or still have it (previous illness); you must state it in the Medical Questionnaire because there are some diseases that are exacerbated by the environment even if it is currently cured. If you do not report the exact details, you may not be able to claim your insurance or receive medical assistance. Besides, you might be sent back to your home country or end up returning your living expenses, travel expenses, etc. to us.

Korea may have higher medical costs than your home country. According to Korea's insurance system, 20% of medical expenses are mandatory deductibles by law; which often is covered by the participants themselves. Therefore, we would like to recommend for those who are under medical treatment due to illness, those who need regular medical examinations, and those who are receiving outpatient treatment for tooth problems such as cavities to consult with their doctors and apply to the Master's Degree Program after they are completely cured.

## **6) Admissions Notification**

- Admissions results will be notified to the regional KOICA offices or Korean embassy. Registration instructions, course registration and other necessary steps will be guided to individuals.

### 3. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- All documents should be sent to the regional KOICA office or the relevant government office.

- 1) **KNU Form 1:** Document Check List
- 2) **KOICA Application Form**
- 3) **KNU Application Form 2:** Application Form (Type in English and print out, hand writing is not acceptable)
- 4) **Scholarship Application Form 3:** Application Form (Type in English and print out, hand writing is not acceptable)
- 5) **Statement of Purpose Form 4:** Personal Statement and Study Plan (Type in English and print out, hand writing is not acceptable)
- 6) **Curricular Vitae**
- 7) **Recommendation Form 5:** One Letter of recommendation from a professor or expert in a field; one letter of recommendation from the present working organization with a stamp or signature on a sealed envelope by the recommender (Print twice and to be completed by each of your two persons)
- 8) **Verification of Academic Record**
- 9) **Certificate of Employment**
- 10) **Certificate Proving English Proficiency (if applicable):** Please submit a score report of a recognized English Proficiency Test such as TOEFL (PBT 550, iBT 80) IELTS (5.5 or more) or any other supporting documents which demonstrate appropriate English language proficiency.
- 11) **A Copy of the Applicant's Passport:** Please check the expiry date.

**\*Important Notes for All Applicants:**

1. All forms should be **typed in English** and all the supporting documents should be **in English**. Documents in any other language should be accompanied by a notarized English translation.
2. Original documents should be submitted. (If it is unavailable, the originating institution must authorize copies before they are submitted.)
3. If any of the submitted materials contain false information, admission will be rescinded.

### ***PART III. HOW TO APPLY***

4. Applicants whose forms and supporting documents are incomplete or unsatisfactory will be disqualified from the admission process.
5. Applicants should take full responsibility for any disadvantage due to mistakes or omissions on the application.



**Part IV****PROGRAM CONTENTS****1. ACADEMIC SCHEDULE**

Session	Date (YYYY.MM.DD)	Contents / Remarks
Preparatory Session	2017.08.10 2017.08.11	Arrival KOICA Orientation
	2017.08.14	KNU Orientation
Pre - Course	2017.08.16 – 2017.8.30	02 weeks
Fall Semester (1 <sup>st</sup> semester)	2017.09.01 – 2017.12.22	15 weeks
Winter Break	2017.12.26 – 2018.02.28	10 weeks
Spring Semester (2 <sup>nd</sup> semester)	2018.03.02 – 2018.06.22	15 weeks
Summer Break	2018.06.25 – 2018.08.31	12 weeks
Fall Semester (3 <sup>rd</sup> semester)	2018.09.03 – 2018.12.21	15 weeks
Examination of Thesis	2018.11.20 – 2018.11.24	01 week
Presentation a Thesis	2018.11.23	Final Oral Defense Presentation
Completion Ceremony	2018.12.15	-
Return to One's Country	2019.12.22	-
Graduation Ceremony	2019.02.22	KNU Commencement Ceremony

\* The above schedule is subject to change.

\*\*A detailed Program Schedule will be provided upon arrival.

## 2. ORIENTATION

When you first arrive, there will be an orientation for KOICA's Scholarship Program at the KOICA International Cooperation Center (ICC). The orientation aims to provide the participants with useful information on the program as well as general information on living in Korea that you will need during the program.

Session	Date	Contents
Arrival	August 10, 2017	Arrival in Korea
KOICA Orientation	August 11, 2017	KOICA Orientation

- \* Before the dormitory check-in, you will stay at KOICA International Cooperation Center (ICC).

## 3. CURRICULUM

### 1) title of degree

This master's degree program is designed to train participants to foster Rural Economy and Agricultural industries and / or based startup Rural Development strategies. Upon completion of the required 30 credit hours and master's thesis, the degree will be granted. A master's degree is offered: MSc in Economics.

### 2) Master of Science in Economics (Major: Agricultural Economics)

The major study areas of the degree is composed of ① Agricultural Economics ② Agricultural Development and ③ Rural Survey and Practices.

#### A. Curriculum & Credits

- The credits required to complete the Master's program: 30 credits

Type	Type	Course Title
Pre-Course (0)	Required (0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Level Korean, Korea History and Culture</li> <li>• Basic Statistics Course</li> </ul>

Type	Type	Course Title
Foundation Courses (19)	Required (7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Economics (3)</li> <li>• Economic Statistics and Practice (3)</li> <li>• Seminar (1)</li> <li>• Basic Korean 1</li> </ul>
	Electives (12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Economics (3)</li> <li>• Farm Management (3)</li> <li>• Agricultural Marketing (3)</li> <li>• Micro Economics (3)</li> </ul>
Field Practicum (5.5)	Required (2.5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guide on Thesis I (1)</li> <li>• Rural Survey and Practices (1.5)</li> <li>• Korean Conversation 1</li> </ul>
	Electives (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mathematical Economics (3)</li> </ul>
Specialty Courses (16)	Required (4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Policy (3)</li> <li>• Seminar(1)</li> <li>• Basic Korean 2</li> </ul>
	Electives (12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agribusiness (3)</li> <li>• Macro Economics (3)</li> <li>• Food Economics (3)</li> <li>• International Agricultural Trade (3)</li> </ul>
Field Practicum (5.5)	Required (2.5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guide on Thesis II (1)</li> <li>• Rural Survey and Practices (1.5)</li> <li>• Korean Conversation 2</li> </ul>
	Electives (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land Economics (3)</li> </ul>
Specialty Courses (16)	Required (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seminar (1)</li> <li>• Intermediate Korean</li> </ul>
	Electives (15)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Sociology (3)</li> <li>• Rural Development (3)</li> <li>• Econometrics and Practices (3)</li> <li>• Agricultural Cooperatives (3)</li> <li>• Resource and Environmental Economics (3)</li> </ul>

\* The above curriculum is subject to change.

\* The specified number of credits from the elective section is the minimum number of credits the students must take.

**B. Credits completed per semester**

- As shown in the table below, students must complete 30 credit hours to graduate.  
Excluding the thesis course, the courses are evenly distributed among required and elective courses.

Semester	Type	Course Title
Pre-Course (0)	Required (0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Level Korean: Korea History and Culture</li> <li>• Basic Statistics Course</li> </ul>
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2017 Fall (19)	Required (7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Economics (3)</li> <li>• Economic Statistics and Practice (3)</li> <li>• Seminar (1)</li> <li>• Basic Korean 1</li> </ul>
	Electives (12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Economics (3)</li> <li>• Farm Management (3)</li> <li>• Agricultural Marketing (3)</li> <li>• Micro Economics (3)</li> </ul>
Winter Interession (5.5)	Required (2.5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guide on Thesis I (1)</li> <li>• Rural Survey and Practices (1.5)</li> <li>• Korean Conversation 1</li> </ul>
	Electives (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mathematical Economics (3)</li> </ul>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2018 Spring (16)	Required (4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Policy (3)</li> <li>• Seminar(1)</li> <li>• Basic Korean 2</li> </ul>
	Electives (12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agribusiness (3)</li> <li>• Macro Economics (3)</li> <li>• Food Economics (3)</li> <li>• International Agricultural Trade (3)</li> </ul>
Summer Interession (5.5)	Required (2.5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guide on Thesis II (1)</li> <li>• Rural Survey and Practices (1.5)</li> </ul>

Semester	Type	Course Title
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Korean Conversation 2</li> </ul>
	Electives (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land Economics (3)</li> </ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester 2018 Fall (16)	Required (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seminar (1)</li> <li>• Intermediate Korean</li> </ul>
	Electives (15)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Sociology (3)</li> <li>• Rural Development (3)</li> <li>• Econometrics and Practices (3)</li> <li>• Agricultural Cooperatives (3)</li> <li>• Resource and Environmental Economics (3)</li> </ul>

\*The above curriculum is subject to change.

\* The specified number of credits from the elective section is the minimum number of credits that students must take.

### C. Graduation Requirements

- In order to graduate, students must complete 30 credits, earn a GPA higher than 3.0 (higher than B), and submit a thesis from Thesis Research course.

### 3) TEACHING PLAN FOR THESIS RESEARCH

- The course aims to train talented developers in the practical sense of realism.
- Each semester builds a different stage of the overall curriculum, all of which come together to train the students to accomplish the final Thesis Research. Throughout this process, students will also receive subject specific guidance and personal mentoring.
- Furthermore, the students will be able to take full advantage of KNU's network domestic and international when carrying out their practical final projects based on real site experiences and data.
- Research Project Process per Semester

Semester	Classes	Expected Effects	Research Schedule
Pre Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Level Korean: Korea History and Culture</li> <li>• Basic Statistics Course</li> </ul>	Warming up	-
Fall Semester, 2017	<b>Foundation Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary Economics</li> <li>• Economic Statistics and Practice</li> <li>• Seminar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Empowerment of competencies</li> <li>- Introduction to agricultural economics</li> </ul>	Examination on the subject of thesis
Winter Intersession, 2017	<b>Research &amp; Field Practicum</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guide on Thesis I</li> <li>• Rural Survey and Practices</li> <li>• Country Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding the methodology of thesis</li> <li>- Practical learning through on-site survey</li> </ul>	Fixing a thesis subject
Spring Semester, 2018	<b>Specialty Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Policy</li> <li>• Seminar</li> <li>• Agribusiness</li> <li>• Food Economics</li> </ul>	Understanding of economic sectors	Thesis Proposal Assignment of professors for thesis research draft

Semester	Classes	Expected Effects	Research Schedule
Summer Intersession, 2018	<b>Research &amp; Field Practicum</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guide on Thesis II</li> <li>• Rural Survey and Practices</li> <li>• Action Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding the methodology of thesis</li> <li>- Practical learning through on-site survey</li> </ul>	Thesis modification and supplementation
Fall Semester, 2018	<b>Specialty Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Sociology</li> <li>• Rural Development</li> <li>• Seminar</li> <li>• Agricultural Cooperatives</li> <li>• Resource and Environmental Economics</li> </ul>	Understanding of agricultural development and enhancing capacity to revitalize rural economy	Final Oral Defense Presentation

## **4. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### **1) Field Trip**



**4 times (Quarterly)** during this program: Korea Rural Economic Institute, Rural Development Administration, Seoul Agro-Fisheries & Food Corporation, Hoban Raising Seedlings Farm, etc. (The places are subject to change)

### **2) Visiting Industrial Facility**



**Twice (Summer & Winter Vacation)** during this program: POSCO, Samsung Renault Motors, Samsung Innovation Museum, Naver Center Gak, etc. (The places are subject to change)

### **3) Fellowship Event**



**Twice** during this program: Mountain Climbing (Spring), Rail Biking (Fall) (The places are subject to change)



#### 4) Workshop



**Twice** during this program:

- (1) Country Report (After 1<sup>st</sup> Semester)
- (2) Action Plan (After 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)

#### 5) Korean Cultural Experience Program



Office of International Affairs (OIA) hosts a time for Korean cultural experience for international students. A variety of cultural programs will be provided to familiarize international students with Korean culture.

#### 6) KNU Buddy Program



KNU Buddy program is a program hosted by the **Office of International Affairs (OIA)** to provide better opportunities for international students and Korean students to get to know one another and learn different cultures. Those who apply for this program will be paired with a Korean student to participate in a variety of events prepared by the OIA.

## **Part V**

## **TRAINING INSTITUTE**

### **1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **1) About Kangwon National University (Chuncheon Campus)**

Kangwon National University (KNU), founded in 1947, has 20 colleges with 133 departments and 9 graduate schools, including medical school and law school. Currently, 21,000 undergraduate students, 3,000 graduate students. KNU is one of the 10 major national universities in the Republic of Korea, and is located in Chuncheon, the capital of Gangwon Province (<http://www.kangwon.ac.kr/english>). Chuncheon is a beautiful lakeside city, and known as the most livable city in the Republic of Korea.



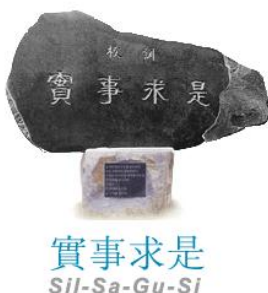
#### **2) About Implementing Agency: Asia-Pacific & Africa Cooperation Academy (APACA)**

The APACA is an institution at Kangwon National University, designed to specialize in various leadership training programs for individuals in Korea and abroad. Through close cooperation with other organizations such as KOICA (Korea International Cooperation Agency), UNESCAP (the United Nations Economic and

Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific) and UNDP (the United Nations Development Program), APACA is making headway with training programs on economic development, rural development, and trade promotion. The principle goal of APACA is to play a leading role in providing and training programs for prospectus leaders from developing countries, to assist in poverty reduction and to contribute in sustainable development.



### 3) Mission Statement of KNU



Our ideal education is the realization of education in the spirit of Sil-Sa-Gu-Si (Inquire Veritatem Ex Praxe), a proverb meaning "seek for the truth from reality, seek for the very truth to enable us to renovate the world as it should be from the world as it is." For the century to come, we will devote ourselves to proliferate knowledge and facts. We will make headway with Sil-Sa-Gu-Si to implement a true education.



## 2. ACCOMMODATION AND FACILITIES

### Dormitories at KNU

Students of Graduate School of Department of Agricultural Resource Economics at KNU live in the dormitories at KNU for the first semester (Aug.07-Dec.22, 2017)

#### - Living Conditions: choose one of 3 types

- All types of dormitories are **double occupancy** and have a **central cooling and heating system**. Each room includes bed, desk, bookshelf, personal closet, bathroom, air conditioner and balcony. 24-hour security guard is staying.
  - Common facilities: Resting area with TV, bending machines (drink, noodle, snack), water purifier (hot & cold), laundry room (single sex basis), ]fitness center, parking lot
    - 1) **BTL Dormitory**: single-sex building, cafeteria, convenient store, PC room, health club, café, reading room
    - 2) **International Dormitory 1**: with cooking facility including refrigerator
    - 3) **International Dormitory 2**: without cooking facility
- ※ International Dormitory Residents have to speak only in English since there are residents from all over the world.

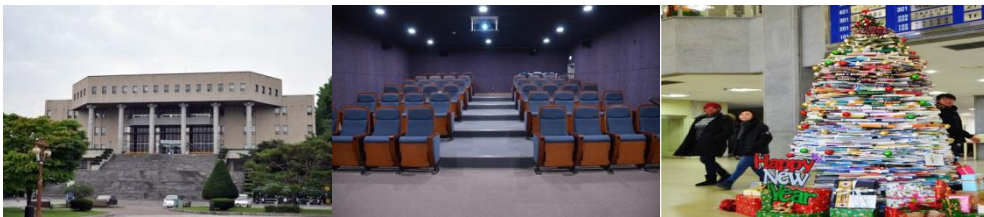
		
International Dormitory	BTL Dormitory	PC Room
		
Interior of Int'l Dormitory	Cafeteria	Fitness Center

### 3. OTHER INFORMATION

#### 1) KNU Sports Center: Swimming Pool, Fitness Center, Exercise Prescription Center



#### 2) KNU Library: Free Screening, Seasonal Cultural Event



#### 3) KNU Art Center: Concert, Cultural Performance



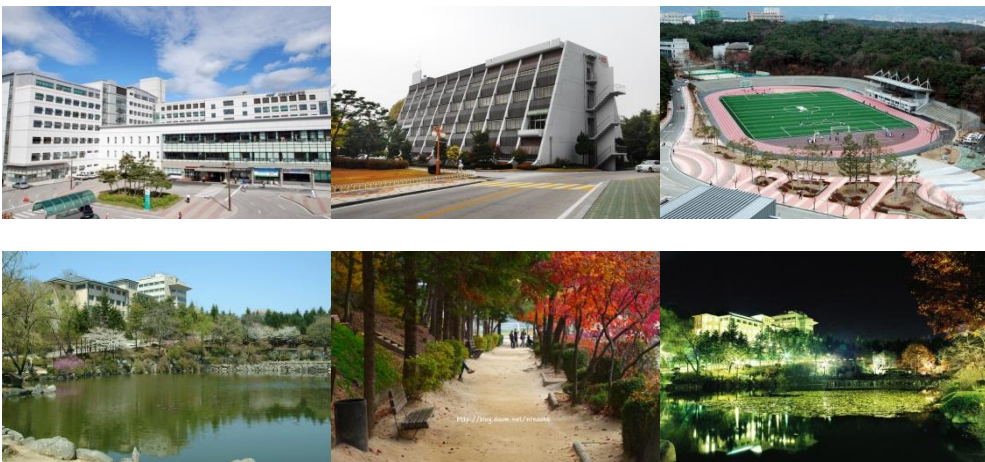
#### 4) Amenities: Cafeteria, Hair Shop, Cafeteria, Café, Post Office, Bank, Copy Store & etc.



**5) International Dormitory:** Multicultural Events, Buddy Program



**6) Other Facilities:** Kangwon National Hospital, Museum, Pond, Sports Stadium



**7) Health Clinics**

Many activities are taking place for the health management of students and faculty, such as medical consultations, administering prescription drugs, tuberculosis examinations, anti-hepatitis inoculations, and first-aid medicine for official events.

- Location : Na-Rae-Kwan 1st floor
- Business hours are Monday through Friday, from 9:00 to 18:00
- Tel : 033-250-8091

✂ **Psychological Counseling: Every Thursday 14:00~16:00**  
(Reservation: 033-250-8091)

- Location : Na-Rae-Kwan 1st floor
- Inquiry : 033-250-8079, 8080

**8) Free Korean Courses**

KNU Baekryung Volunteers offers FREE KOREAN COURSES for foreign students to improve their communications skills in Korean and their understanding of Korean culture.

- A. Courses period: 1<sup>st</sup> semester (Mar.~June), 2<sup>nd</sup> semester (Sept.~Dec.)
- B. Class: Beginner/Intermediate
- C. Contents: Speaking, Experiencing Korean Culture, etc.

## **Part VI**

## **SUPPORT SERVICE**

### **1. TRAVEL TO KOREA**

A. KOICA arranges and pays for the participant to travel to and from Korea. The participant is to travel by the most direct route between Incheon International Airport and a main international airport in the participant's home country. KOICA will cover economy class, round-trip airfare.

B. If a participant wants to change the flight itineraries, they should pay the additional airfare. The participant is responsible for the issuance of an appropriate visa (which must be the 'Study Abroad Visa [D-2]) necessary for this Scholarship Program. Should the participant be unable to get the appropriate visa before the date of entrance, KOICA is unable to provide any assistance and, if it proves necessary, participants may have to return to their respective countries to get the visa issued at their own expense.

### **2. EXPENSES FOR STUDY AND LIVING**

The following expenses will be covered by KOICA during the participant's stay in Korea.

- A. Tuition fee
- B. Accommodation sharing a room basis (mainly the dormitory of a training institute)
- C. Living & Meal allowance KRW 999,000 per month (this includes meal, books and study supplies if needed.)
- D. A medical checkup may be provided in the following year (\* subject to change)
- E. Overseas travel insurance, etc.
- G. In addition, participants may be invited to a special event organized by KOICA with the aim of promoting friendship among each other and understanding about Korea during the program.



### 3. INSURANCE

- Participants who have entered Korea have been covered by “New group injury insurance” policy in case of illness or accident.
- ✕ The insurance coverage period is from the time of arrival in Korea to the time of departure.
- ✕ We encourage you to read about the coverage of insurance and deductibles carefully.
- According to Korea's insurance system, 20% of medical expenses must be paid by participants as mandatory deductibles by law.
- KOICA is encouraging the participants to get National Health Insurance, which can reduce the deductibles by up to 80%.
- Medical expenses may be expensive due to the obligation to pay these deductibles.
- Medical expenses for previous illness, pregnancy, mental illness, etc. will not be reimbursed.

During the program, participants will be covered by the “New group accident insurance.” The insurance covers expenses for medical treatment and hospital care caused by diseases or accidents within the scope and limit of insurance coverage. Participants should first pay by themselves and then be reimbursed for the expenses later, on the condition that the case falls under the coverage of the insurance.

According to Korea's insurance system, 20% of medical expenses are mandatory deductibles by law; which must be covered by the participants themselves. Therefore, we would like to recommend for those who are under medical treatment due to illness, those who need regular medical examinations, and those who are receiving outpatient treatment for tooth problems such as cavities to consult with their doctors and apply to the Master's Degree Program after they are completely cured.

## **-Limit of Coverage & Deductibles**

### **. Limit of Coverage**

<b>Collateral</b>	<b>Limits of coverage</b>	<b>Note</b>
Death	100,000,000	-
Permanent disability by accident	100,000,000	-
Hospitalization	50,000,000	Deductibles
Outpatient medical expenses	250,000/ day	Deductibles
Prescription fee	50,000/ day	Deductibles
Liability	10,000,000	KRW 200,000 Deductibles
Acute myocardial infarction treatment fee	10,000,000	Once
Stroke treatment fee	10,000,000	Once
Special terms for persons killed or wounded for a righteous cause	100,000,000	

- ※ Limited to cases of injury and illness
- ※ Medical check-up at the participant's option and the fee for a medical certificate and diseases caused by pre-existing medical conditions, etc. are not covered by the insurance (Refer below to the category not covered by the insurance).
- ※ The insurance coverage is limited to the treatment incurred within Korea.
- ※ The insurance shall cover the medical expenses at actual cost within the limit of the medical insurance subscription amount per case (for details, refer to the insurance policy)

### **. Deductibles**

\* Outpatients and prescription fee

<b>Classification</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>Deductibles</b>
Clinic	10,000	20%	The larger amount between A and B
Hospital	15,000	20%	The larger amount between A and B
University hospital, level 3 hospital	20,000	20%	The larger amount between A and B
Prescription fee	8,000	20%	The larger amount between A and B

\* Hospitalization fee

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Deductibles</b>
Hospitalization	20%

**-Procedures, Services and Diseases Not Covered by the Insurance**

- \* Diseases that participants already had before arrival in Korea
  - \* Medical check-up, vaccination, nutritional supplements, and tonic medicines
  - \* Dental care and Oriental (Chinese) medicine: Uninsured items and prosthetic dentistry Hospital treatment
  - \* Fees for issue of certificates
  - \* Costs that are not related to treatments and medical check-up costs that are not related to a doctor's diagnosis.
  - \* Orthopedics
  - \* Equipment and consumables (e.g., wristbands and cast shoes)
  - \* Mental disease and behavior disorder
  - \* Congenital cerebropathy
  - \* Herbal remedies
  - \* Obesity
  - \* Urinary diseases: Hematuria and urinary incontinence
  - \* Diseases of the rectum and anus
  - \* Tiredness and fatigue
  - \* Freckles, hirsutism, atrichia, canities, mole, wart, pimple, and skin ailments such as hair loss due to aging
  - \* Medical expenses caused by treatments for enhancing appearance (e.g., double-eyelid surgery)
- ⊗ Detailed information will be provided upon arrival

**- National Health Insurance**

According to Korea's insurance system, 20% of medical expenses must be paid by participants as mandatory deductibles by law. KOICA is encouraging the participants to get National Health Insurance, which can reduce the deductibles by up to 80%. If you have an illness that you have suffered in the past, or still ill (previous illness), you are recommended to join the National Health Insurance. If you are not covered by national health insurance, high medical costs may arise.

**. Dentistry**

- Korean medical expenses of dental system diseases are very expensive
- Medical expenses for dental diseases are not refundable.

Korean medical expenses of dental system diseases are very expensive. However, dental treatment costs are usually not covered by insurance and often exceed the cost of living. Therefore, it is recommended that you check your tooth condition beforehand and finish both tooth check-up and medical treatment before entering Korea.

※ For dental care, no costs are covered by KOICA or “New group accident insurance.”

**Part VII****REGULATIONS****1. ACADEMIC REGULATIONS****1) Attendance and Absenteeism**

Students are expected to attend all of the classes he / she has registered for each semester. Any student who, without a good reason, has failed to attend class for at least two-thirds of the total class hours shall be prohibited from sitting for the exam.

A. In the event, a student is absent for any of the reasons below, the student must notify the appropriate department, faculty, and dean and get approval in advance:

- Death of an immediate family member (grandparents, parents, siblings) or equivalent circumstance
- Academic planning, field-trips, on-site training, etc.
- Participation in seminars or conferences (including international ones) as approved by the Graduate School Dean
- Other events as approved by the Graduate School Dean

B. In the event of student illness or emergency situations, students who will be absent for less than seven days (including holidays and weekend days) need to submit written notification of such absence to the Graduate School Dean. For absences longer than seven days, students must submit a written diagnosis by a physician.

**2) Must reside in KNU Residence**

- Students must reside in Dormitories of KNU
- Double occupancy

**3) Must abide by residency regulations**

- KNU has very strict residency regulations and all students must abide by them.

- A student who violates residency regulations will be evicted from the KOICA Resident House and he / she must return to his / her country immediately.

#### **4) Examinations and Grade Evaluations**

##### **- Minimum Grade Point Average Requirement**

- Students must maintain at a minimum a B0 (80-84) grade point average. Anything below 80 points will not be acknowledged as a passing grade.

##### **- Regular Exams and Make-up Exams**

- Regular Exams: Mid-term (7th to 8th week of semester), Final (last two weeks of semester)
- Make-up Exams: In the event a student cannot sit for an exam due to illness, or any other emergency, the student must notify the faculty before the test date, and obtain the Graduate School Dean's approval to sit for the exam at another time.

##### **- Restrictions upon Sitting Exam**

- Any student who, without good reason, has failed to attend class for at least two-thirds of the total classes shall be prohibited from sitting for the exam. In the event of illness or emergencies, students need to provide a written explanation of their absence.

##### **- Scholastic Performance Evaluation Method**

- Scholastic performance will be based on a 100-point scale for each course registered. Grades will be based on classroom performance (presentations, attendance) and test performance (mid-term and final exams).
- Grades will be calculated on a curve as follows:
  - A to A+: 30% of the students in the class
  - B+ to A: 40% of the students in the class
  - B and below: 30% of the students in the class

**- Evaluation Standard: Evaluation Ranking**

Grades	Score (%)	Grade Point	Grades	Score (%)	Grade Point
A+	95 - 100	4.5	P		Pass
A0	90 - 94	4.0	I		Incomplete
B+	85 - 89	3.5			
B0	80 – 84	3.0			
F	79 – 0	0			

## **2. PARTICIPANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Participants are required**

- To take up the scholarship in the academic year for which it is offered (deferral is not allowed).
- To follow the training program to the best of their ability and abide by the rules of the training institute and KOICA.
- To reside in the accommodation designated by the training institute for the duration of the course except for holidays or temporary leave.
- To maintain an appropriate study load and achieve satisfactory academic progress for the course. If the participant fails to attain certain grades required by the university, his or her status as a KOICA program participant may be suspended.
- To participate in all activities associated with the approved course of study including all lectures and tutorials, submit all work required for the course and sit for examinations unless approved otherwise by the training institute in advance.
- To notify the training institute in advance and get an approval for temporary leave.
- To advise KOICA and the training institute of any personal or family circumstances such as health problems or family problems which may seriously affect their study.
- To refrain from engaging in political activities or any form of employment for profit or gain.
- To agree to KOICA collecting information concerning them and passing that information onto other relevant parties, if necessary.
- To return to their home country upon completion of their training program.
- Not to extend the length of their training program or stay for personal convenience; neither KOICA nor the university will provide any assistance and be responsible for the extension of their stay.



### 3. WITHDRAWALS

- In principle, a participant is not allowed to withdraw from the course at his or her own option once the course starts.
- A participant may withdraw with valid personal or home country's reasons (such as health or work issues) when acceptable to KOICA.

In this case, he/she is not allowed to re-apply for KOICA's scholarship program for the next two years after the withdrawal.

- If a participant fails to attain certain grades required by the training institute, he or she may be forced to withdraw and return home upon withdrawal. In this case, he / she is not allowed to re-apply for KOICA's scholarship program.
- A participant who has withdrawn is not allowed to re-apply for KOICA's scholarship program for the next two years after the withdrawal.
- The participant who withdraws must return to the training institute the living allowance he or she has already received for the remaining period from the date of departure from Korea.

### 4. TEMPORARY LEAVE

- Participants can take a temporary leave **during the school vacation** (to the participants' home country or for a trip abroad) on the condition that the trip does not affect their schoolwork and as long as they notify the university in advance.
- KOICA and the university will not pay airfare for the trip **and his or her living allowance will be suspended from the day of departure to the day of return during temporary leave.**
- If the participant is found to have made an unreported temporary visit to his or her home country or traveled to other countries or **made a trip despite the university's disapproval**, he or she may be suspended from the KOICA scholarship.

## **5. ACCOMPANYING OR INVITING FAMILY**

- As KOICA's Scholarship Program is a very intensive program, which requires full commitment and concentrated effort for study, **participants CAN NOT bring any family members.**
- KOICA does not provide any financial or other administrative support for the dependents of the participants.
- If a participant invites family members within the duration of one month, one must take a full responsibility related to their family members travel to and stay in Korea including administrative and financial support as well as legal matters in Korea. The participant is required to sign and submit the Written Pledge with supporting documents by acknowledging their responsibility and conditions of bringing their family members in Korea in advance. A copy of the Written Pledge is available at GMPA Office.

## **6. OTHERS**

- KOICA will assume any responsibility only within the limit and scope of the insurance for participants.
- KOICA is not liable for any damage or loss of the participant's personal property.
- KOICA will not assume any responsibility for illness, injury, or death of the participants arising from extracurricular activities, willful misconduct, or undisclosed pre-existing medical conditions.
- If the participants violate any of the rules of KOICA and the training institute during their stay in Korea, their status as a KOICA program participant may be suspended.

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**Appendix 1.**

**[facebook.com/koica.icc](https://facebook.com/koica.icc)**

The Fellows' Facebook is a place for fellows to ask questions and write comments on KOICA fellowship programs. So, if you have questions regarding our program, please feel free to join our Facebook community.



**[twitter.com/koica.icc](https://twitter.com/koica.icc)**

Do you have a Twitter account? It seems everyone does these days. If you have a Twitter account, be sure to follow us @koica\_icc



## Appendix 2.

**HOW TO GET TO THE KOICA ICC**

- Route: Incheon International Airport → City Airport, Logis & Terminal, Korea  
(CALT) → KOICA International Cooperation Center (ICC)
- Arrival at Incheon International Airport (<http://www.airport.kr>)

**Flow:**

- ▶ Fill out Arrival Card (or Immigration Card), Customs Declaration Form, Quarantine Questionnaire (on board)
- ▶ Quarantine including animals and plants (on 2nd Floor)
- ▶ Present your Arrival Card, Passport and other necessary document to Passport Control
- ▶ Claim baggage on 1st Floor
- ▶ Customs Clearance
- ▶ Pass an Arrival Gate
- ▶ Go to the KOICA Counter, which is located between Exit 1~2

• **KOICA Counter at Incheon airport**



Location : Next to Exit 1 on the 1st  
floor (No.9- 10)  
Tel. : 82-32-743-5904  
Mobile : 82-(0)10-9925-5901  
Contact : **Ms. Jin-Young YOON**

- After passing through Customs Declaration, please go to the KOICA Counter (located between exit 1~2) at Incheon Airport. At the KOICA Counter, you can get detailed information about how to get to KOICA International Cooperation Center (ICC) and purchase limousine bus ticket for City Airport, Logis & Travel (CALT).
- All the KOICA staff at the Incheon Airport wears nametags or has signs for indication. If you cannot meet the KOICA staff at the counter, please purchase a limousine bus ticket from the bus ticket counter (located on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor), and go to CALT Bus Stop No. 4A (or 10B). Please find the bus number 6103 and present your ticket to the bus driver. From Incheon Airport to CALT, the approximate time for travel will be between 70 to 90 minutes. When you arrive at CALT, you will find another KOICA staff who will help you reach the KOICA ICC. KOICA will reimburse the limousine bus fare when you arrive at KOICA ICC. Also, please be aware that there may be illegal taxis at the airport. Even if they approach you first, please do not take illegal taxis and check to see if they are KOICA staff.

**• KOICA Counter at CALT airport**

Location : Lounge on the 1st floor of  
CALT airport  
Mobile : 82-(0)10-9925-5901

- If the limousine bus is not available due to your early or late arrival from 22:00 to 05:30.
- Please contact the KOICA ICC reception desk  
(Tel. 031-777-2600 / English announcement service is available 24 hours daily)
- The staff at the KOICA ICC reception desk will let you know how to use a taxi. The taxi fare from the airport to KOICA ICC is normally 90,000 Won.

※ KOICA won't reimburse the taxi fare if you use a taxi during the hours of  
05: 30 ~ 22:00.

**• From Incheon International Airport to the KOICA ICC through CALT**

- Take a City Air limousine bus at bus stop No.4A on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor. Buses run every 10~15 minutes between the hours of 5:30 and 22:00.
- Meet the KOICA staff at the lounge on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of CALT upon arrival.
- Take a car arranged by the KOICA staff to the KOICA ICC (Expected time: 20 minutes)

**"Please remember to read the Fellows' Guidebook.**

It is available from the Korean Embassy or KOICA Overseas Office in your country and provides valuable information regarding KOICA programs, allowances, expenses, regulations, preparations for departure and etc."

\* The schedule in PI (Program Information) can be changeable according to the KOICA and Kangwon National University Schedule.