International Scholar Exchange Fellowship
2018 - 2019

KOREA FOUNDATION FOR ADVANCED STUDIES
Introduction to Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies

Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (KFAS) is an independent non-profit organization founded in 1974. KFAS is dedicated to promoting academic development and social progress by funding exceptional students to earn their doctoral degrees overseas at world-renowned universities. In addition, KFAS has created additional programs to expand our academic network and create academic opportunities for the public. KFAS’s programs are as follows:

1. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS (FOR KOREAN STUDENTS)

Doctoral Study Abroad Program
The Study Abroad Scholarship program supports exceptional Korean students to pursue their doctorate degrees at top universities abroad and become leaders in their fields, ultimately contributing to social advancement.

※ Achievements (as of October 2017)
- Ph.D. Awardees and Candidates

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Undergraduate Student Scholarship Program
The Undergraduate Student Program supports undergraduate students who show great academic potential and strong social commitment to become leaders of the global society.

Classical Chinese Studies Program
The Chinese Classics Program is offered to college students who aim to enhance their proficiency in classical Chinese texts.

Graduate Student Scholarship Program
The Graduate Student Scholarship Program constitutes the East Asian Studies Graduate Student Program and Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Graduate Student Program.

Study in China Program
The Study in China Program was established in 2012 to support outstanding Korean Ph.D. candidates at top Chinese institutions who aspire to become China experts.

Chinese Classics Chinese language Intensive Training Program
A program that provides the opportunity to perfect Chinese classics and advanced Chinese language for potential scholars to play an active role in the field of Oriental studies not only in Korea and China but across the globe.
countries in Asia and the Middle East have participated in this cooperation and development in Asia. As of 2017, 867 scholars from 17 nations in Asia and the Middle East have volunteered their services as of now.

2. DREAM LECTURE PROGRAM

The Dream Lecture program provides inspirational lectures by KFAS alumni to middle school and high school students. 93 KFAS alumni who are prominent university professors and researchers have volunteered their services as of now.

3. INTERNATIONAL SCHOLAR EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIP (ISEF) PROGRAM

KFAS invites approximately 50 Asian scholars to Korea every year for six months or one year to conduct research projects in collaboration with professors and researchers at leading universities and academic institutions in Korea. This program is designed not only to support the research of individual scholars, but also to enhance academic mutual understanding and promote cooperation and development in Asia. As of 2017, 867 scholars from 17 countries in Asia and the Middle East have participated in this program. Please refer to page 6 for details about the program.

4. ASIA RESEARCH CENTERS (ARCS)

KFAS has established 18 Asia Research Center at leading academic institutions in China, Mongolia, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Myanmar, Laos, and Iran. The center provides support for research projects, academic conferences, and publications of research findings.

5. INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC FORUMS

Beijing Forum

KFAS annually co-hosts the Beijing Forum with Peking University under the overarching theme of “The Harmony of Civilizations and Prosperity for All.” Beijing Forum aims to promote the study of humanities and social sciences around the world. It endeavors to promote academic development and social progress across the world in order to contribute to the development and prosperity of humankind. Beijing Forum strives to promote and safeguard the progress of human society through the peaceful integration of civilizations.

Beijing Forum has been held annually since it was founded in 2004. Beijing Forum has gradually become one of the most influential academic forums attracting renowned scholars and leaders from around the world. Beijing Forum 2017 was held from November 3 to 5 at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse and Peking University under the theme of “Values and order in a changing world.”

Shanghai Forum

KFAS annually co-hosts the Shanghai Forum with Fudan University under the overarching theme of “Economic Globalization and the Choice of Asia,” focusing on economics, finance, trade, energy, and the environment. The first forum was held during the Centennial of Fudan University in 2005, and a total of 2,770 presentations have been made so far by participants from 60 countries. Shanghai Forum boosts an international influence and recognition, and has made a substantial contribution to the status and development of Fudan University. Through the participation of multiple disciplines, in-depth and extensive discussions were made on the critical issues facing the current world and Asia in particular.

Shanghai Forum 2017 was held from May 27 to 29 at the Shanghai International Conference Center and Fudan University under the theme of “Asia and the World: New Impetus, New Structure and New Order.”

Asian Media Forum

Since 2003, KFAS has annually co-hosted the Asian Media Forum with the Asia Media Research Center of Communication University of China to discuss the latest research in the fields of journalism, communication, media, new technologies, digital content, and related policies.

The 12th Asia Media Forum was held from April 20 to 21 at the Communication University of China under the theme of “Globalization, Development and Change of Social Media.”

International Confucian Forum / Law Forum

The International Confucian Forum / Law Forum has been co-hosted by KFAS and Renmin University of China since 2004, and discusses critical issues in Confucianism.

KFAS and Renmin University of China have agreed to host the International Forum on Confucianism and the Law Forum biennially from 2015 onwards and the first Law Forum celebrating the 800th anniversary of the Magna Carta was held on September 5 to 6, 2015, at Renmin University under the overarching theme, “the Past, Present and Future of the Rule of Law.” The International Forum on Confucianism was held on December 2 to 3, 2016 under the theme, “Family, State, and Kingdom in the Horizons of Confucianism”, followed by the Law Forum on “Culture, the Rule of Law and Social Development” on November 18 to 19, 2017.

International Conference on Southeast Asian Cultural Values

The International Conference on Southeast Asian Cultural Values has been held annually since 2005.

Beijing Foreign Studies University
Beijing, China / 2007

Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
Beijing, China / 2002

Communication University of China
Beijing, China / 2002

Fudan University
Shanghai, China / 2002

Liaoning University
Shenyang, China / 2002

Nankai University
Tianjin, China / 2004

Peking University
Beijing, China / 2002

Renmin University of China
Beijing, China / 2001

Taishan University
Beijing, China / 2002

Yantai University
Yantai, China / 2006

Zhengjiang University
Hangzhou, China / 2011

Chulalongkorn University
Bangkok, Thailand / 2002

National University of Laos
Vientiane, Laos / 2002

National University of Mongolia
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia / 2002

Royal Academy of Cambodia
Phnom Penh, Cambodia / 2005

Vietnam National University, Hanoi
Hanoi, Vietnam / 2002

Yangon University
Yangon, Myanmar / 2002

University of Tehran
Tehran, Iran / 2017

KFAS and Yanbian University began co-hosting the Tumen River Forum in 2006, inviting scholars and experts from China, South Korea, North Korea, Japan, Russia, and the United States to discuss regional issues such as the development of the Tumen River area. The overarching theme of the forum is “Multicultural Coexistence and Win-win Cooperation.”

The 10th Tumen River Forum was held at Yanbian University from October 13 to 15, 2017 under the theme of “Review and Outlook: Pathways to Common Prosperity in Tumen River Area.”

Northeast Asia Forum

Since 2005, KFAS and Liaoning University have annually co-hosted the Northeast Asia Forum in Shenyang, China, which focuses on building peace and promoting economic growth in the region. The 2016 Northeast Asia Forum was held from September 23 to 24, 2016 under the theme of “Northeast Asia at a Political and Economic Crossroads.”

International Conference on Southeast Asian Cultural Values

The International Conference on Southeast Asian Cultural Val-
China Lecture Series II

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KFAS launched China Lecture Series Ⅱ in 2016 and invited prominent Chinese, European and American scholars to give lectures. From February 2016 to September 2017, 15 Chinese scholars and 2 scholars from Europe and America have delivered talks on topics including economics, international politics, philosophy, society and history. KFAS plans to continue to invite foreign experts on China on a variety of topics including culture, education and media.

7. KOREA-CHINA LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Korea-China LEADership Program is an academic exchange program that seeks to foster in-depth mutual understanding and friendship between Korean and Chinese undergraduate and graduate students. The program was launched in 2012 in cooperation with Peking University, Fudan University, Renmin University of China and Tsinghua University. KFAS selects 35 Korean students and 35 Chinese students for the three-week academic exchange program that takes place every August. The aim is to foster the cooperation of future leaders for the enhancement of Korea-China relations through four key activities—Learning, Experience, Argumentation and Discovery.

Since 2014, KFAS, Brookings Institution, and the School of International Studies at Peking University have co-organized three rounds of the Triilateral Conference. China-US-ROK Tri bilateral Conference is a platform that has been established for renowned scholars to conduct frank dialogue to seek ways to promote progressive relationships between the three countries.

The inaugural Tri bilateral Conference was held at the KFAS Conference Hall in April 2014. During the deliberations undertaken in Seoul, the second round was held at Brookings Institutions in Washington, D.C. in December 2014. Following the previous two rounds, the third round of the Dialogue was held at the School of International Studies at Peking University from October 9 to 10, 2015.

KFAS began the Knowledge Sharing Program to provide opportunities to the general public to listen to special lectures from the world’s leading scholars and experts.

In August 2013, KFAS organized TEDxKFAS, a new platform for knowledge sharing, TEDx events are independently planned and coordinated by universities, communities and private institutions all over the world under a free license granted by TED, whose slogan is “Ideas worth spreading.”

More than 700 people attended the “TEDxKFAS: Impact on the Future,” where renowned experts from different parts of the world shared their insights and ideas on the three topics, “Smart Living,” “China in 2025” and “Venture for a Better Future.”

In August 2016, a special Lecture by Dr. Changyoung Rhee, Director of the Asia and Pacific Department at the IMF was held at the KFAS Conference Hall. In March and June 2017, Dr. Bruce W. Bennett of the RAND Corporation and President Richard Haass of CFR (Council on Foreign Relations) delivered special lectures titled “Evolving Security Challenges in Korea” and “A World in Disarray” respectively.

10. LIBRARY

The KFAS Library was established in order to provide research materials to KFAS scholarship recipients and ISRF fellows, and to aid the research of scholars in the social sciences, natural sciences, East Asian studies, computer science and electric engineering. The library’s collection includes domestic and foreign academic books, journals, scientific society publications, doctoral dissertations, information on leading universities and other study abroad reference materials. Research assistance is also provided for ISRF fellows.

Through the inter-library loan system with Korea Education and Research Information Service (KERIS), Korea Special Library Association (KSLA), and National Digital Science Links (NDSL) offered by the Korea Institute of Science and Technology Information (KISTI), the KFAS Library is able to provide users with materials from hundreds of libraries in Korea and around the world.
The International Scholar Exchange Fellowship (ISEF) program aims to enhance regional academic exchange and cooperation by providing Asian scholars with an opportunity to live in Korea and conduct research for six months or one year. This program was established in 1999, and began supporting scholars the next year. A total of 867 ISEF fellows have been selected over the last 18 years from Asian countries like Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Russia, Thailand, Uzbekistan and Vietnam. The 2017-2018 ISEF fellows arrived in Seoul this past August. This cohort consists of 33 scholars from China, Iran, Kazakhstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, Uzbekistan and Vietnam. They have successfully begun conducting their proposed research in collaboration with their host scholars at 11 major universities and research institutions in Korea.

The ISEF program provides outstanding scholars with comprehensive research expenses during their stay in Korea, which include round-trip airfare, initial settlement support, a monthly research stipend, research paper publication support, and accident insurance. During their stay in Korea, fellows enjoy full access to KFAS facilities including the seminar rooms and library to help their research.

KFAS invites prominent scholars from Asia and the Middle East in the fields of humanities, social sciences, petrochemical engineering, electrical engineering, electronic science, telecommunications, computer science and life science. Following the Foundation's tradition of honoring the freedom of scholarship, Scholars are given the freedom to choose their research topics within these fields. KFAS also offers Korean language classes and seminars as well as educational trips to cultural sites and industrial facilities to enhance ISEF fellows' understanding of Korea.
1. PURPOSE

The ISEF program aims to enhance international exchange and cooperation by promoting cross-cultural understanding and academic advancement. To this end, KFAS invites qualified scholars from Asia and the Middle East to carry out research in collaboration with leading Korean universities and research institutions.

2. FIELDS OF RESEARCH

Humans and Social Sciences
- Economics
- Business administration
- Sociology
- Education
- Political science
- Psychology
- Public administration
- Law

Life Sciences
- Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Ecology, Immunology, Genetic engineering etc.

Information Science and Technology
- Electrical engineering, Electronic science
- Telecommunications
- Computer science and related fields

Energy related fields
- Petrochemical engineering and related fields

3. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

• University faculty and institution researchers from eligible countries who have a doctoral degree
• Applicants, in principle, must be 50 years old or less.
• Applicants should be able to carry out research in either English or Korean, and they should not have any health issues to hinder their research activities.

4. COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE TO APPLY

Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, Uzbekistan and Vietnam

5. RESEARCH PERIOD

• 1 Year
  - From September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2019
• 6 Months
  - From September 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019
  - From March 1, 2019 to August 31, 2019

6. APPLICATION MATERIALS

1) Online Application
2) Research Proposal
3) 2 letters of recommendation
4) Certificate of employment
5) Research Sample: 2 books or 2 research papers or 1 book and 1 research paper
6) Letter of research affiliation from the host institution in Korea (if available at the time of application)

7. HOW TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS

• Applicants from institutions where Asia Research Center (ARC) is located must submit the application documents to the center.
• Applicants from institutions without Asia Research Center (ARC) must submit the application documents directly to KFAS.

8. SELECTION

1) Preliminary screening:
   - Preliminary screening by a panel of scholars from the applicant’s field of expertise.
2) Comprehensive screening:
   - Final decision through comprehensive screening by the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies Steering Committee. Interviews may be arranged if necessary.

9. APPLICATION DEADLINE

• February 23, 2018
• All original application materials must reach KFAS by the deadline.
• Announcement of results: March 30, 2018

10. DETAILS OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

• Research Grant
  - Monthly research stipend of 3,000,000 KRW (approximately 2,600 USD)
  - A one-time grant of 1,000,000 KRW after submitting the final research paper
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• Publication Incentives
  - 2,000~5,000 USD (for an article published in journals registered at SSCI, A&HCI, SCI)
  - 1,000 USD (for an article published in journals registered at the National Research Foundation of Korea)
  - A one-time grant of 1,000,000 KRW after submitting the final research paper
  - Monthly research stipend of 3,000,000 KRW (approximately 2,600 USD)
• Travel expenses
  - Economy-class round trip airfare between the airport nearest to the fellow’s place of residence and Seoul
  - Medical insurance
  - National health insurance upon request
  - Accident insurance
  - Research expenses for the International Scholar Exchange Fellowship Program are provided directly to the fellows, and not to home institutions or hosting institutions.

11. RESEARCH SUPPORT PROGRAM

• Library Access
  - ISEF fellows have access to the KFAS library for books and reference materials necessary for the stated research projects.
• Use of Facilities
  - The KFAS seminar room, lecture rooms, and other academic resources will be made available for academic events related to the stated research projects. Reservations are necessary to secure use of the facilities.
• Korean Language Class
  - KFAS holds Korean classes for the fellows to better understand the Korean people and society during their stay. The classes are offered from September to July of the following year. In August, there is a Korean presentation for the fellows.
• Cultural Tours
  - Cultural tours are provided twice during the year of research. Fellows will visit major Korean cities and cultural areas to learn about Korean history and traditions.
• Industrial Site Visits
  - Visits to prominent industrial sites and research centers will provide ISEF fellows with an opportunity to learn about the industrial development of Korea.

12. PRESENTATION OF RESEARCH REPORT

• Interim progress reports
Application Instructions

1. BEFORE APPLYING

1.1 Check your eligibility

- Thoroughly read the “Information of International Scholar Exchange Fellowship 2018-2019” to make sure that you meet all the requirements such as eligible field of research and country. Those who do not meet such requirements will be rejected without notice.

2. Become an online KFAS member and log in

- Eligible applicants must first go to the KFAS website at www.kfas.or.kr and become a member. Make sure you enter your correct e-mail address.
- After you become a KFAS member, an authentication number will be sent to the e-mail address that was provided.
- Please enter the authentication number the first time you log in to the KFAS website. Make sure there are no spaces preceding the authentication number. Afterwards, you will only need to enter your ID and password to log in.

3. Online Application Steps

1. Complete the online application by filling out the necessary information, writing the research proposal, and attaching the applicable files.
2. Submit the supplementary documents (2 recommendation letters, 2 research samples, a certificate of employment).
3. Send the application online.

4. Fellowships

- Fellows are required to submit progress reports on the proposed research project on November 15, 2018 and February 15 and May 15, 2019.
- Fellows are required to submit a final research paper based on the research they conducted during the fellowship period by February 15 or August 15, 2019. The papers should use international standard formatting for academic papers.

13. OBLIGATIONS

- Fellows shall devote themselves to their research project without committing to any type outside employment.
- Fellows may participate in activities within the limits permitted by their visa status.
- Fellows shall not violate any Korean law or national regulations.
- Fellows shall not receive any other financial support than that provided by the ISEF Program.
- Fellows shall reside in Korea for the fellowship period, and will not leave Korea temporarily at his/her discretion without prior approval by KFAS.
- Fellows shall return to his/her home country after the fellowship period expires.
- Failure to comply with the aforementioned regulations specified as “Obligations” may result in disadvantages or expulsion from the ISEF Program.

First Cultural Tour for 2017-2018 ISEF Fellows
2. **ONLINE APPLICATION**

1) Complete the application form

- At the main page of the KFAS website (www.kfas.or.kr), click “ISEF Application” at the bottom of main page. You may also go to “International Program,” and then to “ISEF” to click “ISEF Application.”
- The ISEF Application section of the website is made of three pages: Personal Information, Academic Information, and Additional Information. You may save the entered information only after completing each page. You cannot save an incomplete page. After saving all three pages, the application form is complete.
- All items must be entered in English. For Chinese applicants, Chinese may be entered in some cases, but always along with English.
- Required fields (marked with a red dot) must be entered in order to move to the next item.
- The ARC that applies to you must be selected at the middle of the Personal Information page. Applicants from institutions where Asia Research Center (ARC) is located must select his/her home institution. Applicants from institutions without Asia Research Center (ARC) must select “Korea.” (Please refer to page 2 for institutions with ARCs).
- If you apply without indicating the applicable ARC, the application will not be considered for evaluation.
- Every question must be answered completely and carefully.
- After completing the application form, you may temporarily save the entered information and return later to make corrections by logging in and checking the information at My Page. After you make your final submission, you will not be able to change any of the entered information.

2) Write your research proposal and attach documents

- Research proposals should be attached as a doc, docs, pdf, or ppt file. The file name should be your full name (e.g. Wang Lei.doc).
- Research proposals must be a minimum of four single-spaced A4 pages, and use Times New Roman, 12 point font.
- At the beginning of your proposal, please indicate your full name, affiliation, field of research, and proposed research topic.
- Research proposals should include the following items:
  - **Motivation and need for this project:** Be specific about your specialized academic interest within your field.
  - **Background:** Put your research project in an academic context by referencing major works by other scholars in this field. A selected bibliography may be attached in order to specify the background of your proposed project. Also describe how your proposed research plan is related to your previous study/research, and fits your future academic goals.
  - **Objectives:** Write a clear and detailed description of your proposed research objectives.
  - **Scope, design and methodology:** Describe the scope, design and methodology of your proposed research project.
  - **Schedule:** Explain how your project can be completed within the duration of this fellowship.
  - **Significance:** Explain the significance of your proposed project for your academic field, your own professional development and your home country.
  - **Dissemination plan:** Describe your plans for disseminating your research findings in both your home country and elsewhere.
  - **Publications:** Include a complete list of your publications, translated into English. You should use the standard citation and bibliographical format.

3) Attach your photo

- Please attach a recent ID photograph (e.g. passport photo).

3. **SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTS**

- After completing the online application form, you must submit 2 recommendation letters, 2 research samples, a certificate of employment, and a letter of research affiliation (if applicable) to KFAS by post. If your home institution has an ARC, you must submit the documents to the applicable ARC. After an initial screening at your ARC, ARCs will send the documents of qualified candidates to KFAS.

1) Recommendation Letters

- An application to the ISEF program requires 2 recommendation letters. You may download the form at the KFAS homepage. ("Community"—Download—"Letter of Recommendation.doc")
- Please follow the instructions on the recommendation form. At least one recommendation should come from a source not affiliated with your institution.
- Recommenders should be in a position to comment on your abilities and qualifications to carry out the stated research project in Korea and its value in relation to your research and teaching responsibilities in your country.
- If a recommender is Korean, he/she may write in Korean and submit his/her recommendation letter directly to KFAS.

2) Research Sample

- 2 research samples that best represent your work (i.e. books or research papers) must be submitted. An English abstract of no longer than 300 words must be attached to each research sample.

3) Certificate of Employment

4. **HOST INSTITUTION IN KOREA**

- If available, please attach a letter of research affiliation from your host institution in Korea to your application. You may download the form at the KFAS homepage. ("Community"—Download—"Letter of Research Affiliation.doc")
- Upon selection as an ISEF fellow, you must contact Korean institutions and scholars immediately to arrange your research affiliation. You should send KFAS a letter of research affiliation as soon as your arrangements are made.
- Fellows should find their own host scholar as they best understand their field of study and research proposal. It is also best for fellows and host scholars to contact each other directly for active cooperation and exchange during the research period. You are also advised to inquire whether the institution’s accommodation, such as dormitories or apartments, are available for use. You must thoroughly discuss each other’s role and involvement in your research before arriving in Korea.

5. **CONFIRM SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION**

- After submitting your application form, you may check whether all materials were received at My Page. ISEF Fellows will be announced on March 30, 2018. You may also check My Page for results.

6. **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

1) All documents must reach KFAS by the application deadline in order to be considered for the following academic year, which begins in September.
2) All communication, including questions about your application, should be sent to the ARC in the applicant’s respective country or to KFAS.
3) If an application form is not completely filled out and/or is not accompanied by proper documents, the applicant may be rejected without notice.
4) No submitted documents will be returned to applicants.
5) Accepted ISEF fellows may have their acceptance rescinded if he/she is found to have provided incorrect information.