

III. Academic Requirements

가. A. Requirements for Graduation

[Master's Program]

A minimum of 45 credits is required for graduation.

1) Students should take the 5 required courses in their major program.

* Required courses for students majoring in International Commerce, International Cooperation and International Area Studies:

- ① International Economic Relations
- ② International Cooperation
- ③ Research Methodology and Skills or Comparative Methodology (select 1 of 2)
- ④ Understanding the East Asia, Contemporary World Politics: Theory and Case, International Trade Issues in Comparative Perspective, or Studies in Regional Monetary and Financial Integration (select 1 of 4)
- ⑤ Dissertation Research

* Required courses for students majoring in Korean Studies:

Korean Students: (5 courses)	Foreign Students: (4 courses)
① International Economic Relations	① Introduction to Korean Studies
② International Cooperation	② Korean Society
③ Modern Korean History and Society or Modernization and Transformation of Korean Society (select 1 of 2)	③ Korean History (Modern Korean History)
④ Research Methodology and Skills or Comparative Methodology (select 1 of 2)	④ Dissertation Research
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2) Students should take at least 3 courses (9 credits) in their GSIS major program.

* Foreign students in Korean Studies should take 4 courses (12 credits) in their major program.

3) Students must take courses (credits) to fulfill required credits (45 credits) to be eligible to graduate.

[Ph.D. Program]

A minimum of 45 credits is required for graduation.

- (1) Students must take one research methods course (Those who have ever taken any methodology course in their Master's program are exempted from taking the methodology course).
- (2) Students should take 4 courses (12 credits) or more in their major program (International Commerce, International Cooperation, and International Area Studies)
- (3) Students should take 3 courses (9 credits) or more in other major programs (International Commerce, International Cooperation, International Area Studies, and Korean Studies).
- (4) Students should take 8 elective courses (24 credits) or more, including Dissertation Research (Those who take methodology course should take 7 elective courses (21 credits) or more)

* "Dissertation Research" is not mandatory for students in the doctorate program.

However, students may take the course up to 4 times (a maximum of 12 credits, one course per semester) and have it counted as credits required for graduation.

ㄴ. B. Qualifying Examinations

1) Requirements and Procedure

	Major Subjects	Foreign Language
Requirements	Enrolled for a minimum of 2 semesters Earned at least 12 credits	At any time while the student is enrolled at GSIS
Procedure	- Application forms for the qualifying examinations are due at the beginning of each semester - Students who wish to take language courses or submit test scores instead of taking second foreign language examination should submit related documents, such as a transcript or a certificate of requirement during the application period.	

2) Exam Subjects

	Foreign Language		Major Subjects	Notes
	First Foreign Language	Second Foreign Language		
M.A.	Required	Required	Required	Students must meet the test score requirements for English and a second foreign language.
Ph.D.	Required	N/A	Required	

■ Foreign Language Requirement

Degree Course	First Foreign Language	Second Foreign Language
Master's program	English	Choose one of the following; German, French, Chinese, Russian, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese Character
	① For international students and Koreans national residing abroad can choose one from above including Korean. They can't choose their mother tongue. (It is Compulsory for international students and Korean students both from non-English speaking countries to take English.) ② International students and Koreans national residing abroad who both are majoring Korean Studies, and DCPD students are required Korean instead of English.	
Doctoral program	English	Not required
	For international students who are from English speaking region have to choose one from German, French, Chinese, Russian, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese Character, Korean	

- Students who earn at least 3 credits in foreign language courses after enrolling in GSIS and receive a B0 or higher may be exempt from taking the language test of their qualifying examinations. (Note: Students who take foreign language courses during their study abroad programs may be exempt from taking the test on their qualifying examinations, but will not be able to transfer their credits for those courses.)
- Students who have passed SNULT Level 3 or higher are exempt from the second

foreign language requirement.

- Students who take courses in 'French (104.811)' or 'German (105.811)' and receive a C- or higher are exempt from taking the respective language tests on their qualifying examinations.
- To meet the Korean language requirement, international students must score a 60 or higher on the Korean language test. However, students who had received an "S" in their "Korean language or Korean culture1" or "Korean language or Korean culture2" course are exempt from taking the Korean language test.
- Korean Examination: Students can take Korean written examination (students who fail written examination once or more can take oral examination).
- Students of Development Cooperation Policy Program can select Korean language for their qualifying examinations.
- Students may submit a language test score (taken within the last two years) to meet their foreign language requirement. Language tests recognized by GSIS are as follows:
- English speakers include students who use English as an official language.
- Language courses for qualifying Examination are not included in official credit.

<Language Tests Recognized by GSIS>

Language	Test name	Level	Organization
German	ZD(low)	over ZD	Goethe-Institut
	ZMP(middle)		
	ZOP(high)		
	Test Daf		
French	DELF	over A2	French Government
Chinese	HSK	over level 6 (old version)	Chinese Government
		over level 5 (new version)	
	CPT	over 600 point	
Spanish	DELE	over beginner's level	Centro Cultural Español
Japanese	JPT	over 600 point	International Communication Foundation (ICF)
	JLPT	over N2	Japan Foundation
	JTRA	over level 2	JTRA
Russian	TORFL	Basic level or higher	TORFL Korean Center

■ English Proficiency Requirement (Test Scores)

Degree	Program (Major)	Minimum Score Requirement	Notes
M.A.	International Commerce	TEPS: 751 TOEFL: CBT 250, IBT100	- Students who submitted test scores as part their application for admission are not required to retake one of the English language tests, provided that the scores they submitted met the minimum requirement. - Students who had graduated Undergraduate (or Graduate) School from English spoken countries before attending GSIS also submit TEPS or TOEFL
	International Cooperation		
	International Area Studies	TEPS: 701 TOEFL: CBT 240, IBT 94	
	Korean Studies		
PhD	International Studies	TEPS: 751 TOEFL: CBT 250, IBT100	

■ Major Subjects of Qualifying Examinations

[M.A]

Dept.	Program (Major)	Subject		Notes
		Mandatory	Elective (select 1)	
International Studies	International Commerce	International Economic Relations	International Cooperation International Business Relations Understanding the East Asia	One of the following subjects may be taken as an alternative to Understanding the East Asia: - Contemporary World Politics - International Trade Issues in Comparative Perspective - Studies in Regional Monetary and Financial Integration
	International Cooperation	International Cooperation	International Economic Relations International Law Understanding the East Asia	
	International Area Studies	Understanding the East Asia	International Economic Relations International Cooperation	
	Korean Studies		Korean Society Korean History	
International Development Policy		International Development Policy Global Development and Development Cooperation		

※ Major subjects for Development Cooperation Policy Program

: International Development Policy, Global Development and Development Cooperation

[Ph.D]

Program (Major)	Subject	Details	Notes	
International Studies	Major 1		consultation with advisory professor	
	Major 2		consultation with advisory professor	
	Minor (select1)	International Commerce	International Economic Relations or International Business	consultation with advisory professor
		International Cooperation	International Politics or International Law & Organization	
International Area Studies	American, European or East Asian			

- Prior to thesis defense, candidates should have one or more articles published in a scholarly journal (double blind peer review academic journal) as an author or primary author of two authors or corresponding author).

- Frequency of Application: Candidates cannot apply for thesis qualifying exam more than 4 times

(can apply for 3 sections at a time)

- Application Period: within 8 semesters after enrolling (except the leave of absence)