

2024 GKS IRTS(International Reconstruction Talent Scholarship) Selection Guidelines for Korean Language Training Program

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1. Overview of 2024 GKS IRTS(International Reconstruction Talent Scholarship)

◆ Program Objectives

- **The implementation of Official Development Assistance (ODA) to support human capital development and reconstruction of post-war Ukraine**
 - Cultivating talents who contribute to the economic, social and cultural reconstruction and growth of Ukraine by providing new opportunities to students who have experienced disruption or delay in education
 - Providing new perspectives to Ukrainian students through learning the Korean language and exchanging Korean culture, establishing a foundation for understanding and respect between cultures and peace
- **Cooperation between Korean and Ukraine in the field of education strengthens mutually beneficial relations between the two countries and promotes national interests through international solidary and coexistence**

◆ Progress

- July 2023, *Ukraine Peace and Solidarity Initiative* announced
- August 2023, *Study Korea 300K Project* announced to promote international students
- August 2023, *Yoon Suk Yeol-Zelensky Scholarship Program* announced (Ministry of Education)
- September 2023, the establishment of a basic plan for *the 2023 GKS Foreign Self-Funded International Student Support Project*
 - ※ As of September 2023, **a total of 697 million KRW was provided to *102 self-funded students**, excluding 54 GKS scholars, out of 156 Ukraine students in Korea (11.30.2023)
 - * Self-funded Ukrainian students attending Korean universities and Korean language institutes (68 in degree program, 34 in Korean language program)
- March 2024, establishment of GKS expansion and reorganization implementation plan
- March 2024, discussion regarding GKS selection between Ministry of Education, National Institute for International Education, and Ukraine (Embassy and Ministry of Education)

2. Selection of GKS-IRTS Korean Language Program Scholars

◆ Selection of GKS Scholars

- **Number of Selected Scholars:** 100
- **Universities:** Keimyung University, Dong-A University, Chonnam University, Chungnam University
- **Program:** Korean language training program
- **Selection Method:** Nominated by Ukrainian government
 - ※ If it is difficult to nominate by Ukrainian government before the MOU between Korea-Ukraine, the selection process will be operated through recommendation by the embassy in cooperation between the Ukrainian government and the Korean embassy

◆ Available Universities and Specialized Fields

- **Program will be focused on learning the Korean language, and will be organized and operated as special activities in specialized fields for each university in line with the GKS-IRTS program**

No.	University	Specialized Fields	No.	University	Specialized Fields
1	Keimyung University	Medical, Health	3	Chonnam University	AI, SW
2	Dong-A University	Urban reconstruction	4	Chungnam University	Energy, Environment

◆ Eligibility

- **Nationality**
 - All applicants must hold **Ukrainian nationality**

- **Applicants' parents (or legal guardians) must hold citizenship from another country other than Korea.** If applicants or their parent hold dual citizenship (one who has both Korean citizenship and citizenship of another country), such applicant is NOT eligible to apply
- Applicants and their parents who had previously held Korean citizenship must submit documentation issued by the Korean government that proves their renunciation of Korean citizenship
- If an applicant's citizenship is changed during the selection process, he or she will be excluded from the evaluation.

○ **Level of Education**

- A person who (is expected to) graduate from **High school**
- ※ Applicants who currently enrolled at a university or community college can also apply

- Applicants who are expected to graduate must first submit a certificate of expected graduation at the time of application. If such applicants pass the selection, must submit their final transcript and graduation certificate by July 31, 2024. **Failure to submit will result in cancellation of admission.**
- Applicants who submit their provisional graduation certificate will be considered as expected to graduate

○ **Grades**

- CGPA of the entire curriculum from the previous (degree) program must meet one of the two conditions below;
 - ① Score percentile should be 80% or above on a 100-point scale or be ranked within the top 20% within one's class
 - ② CGPA must be equal to or above 2.64/4.0, 2.80/4.3, 2.91/4.5 or 3.23/5.0
- ※ Previous program: High School (for both high school graduates and college students), or University (for Associate Degree or Degree holders)
- ※ CGPA: **Cumulative Grade Point Average**

- If your transcript does not provide CGPA information or is unable to convert grades into any one of the accepted scales, the applicant must submit additional documents officially issued by their school/university describing the institution's grading system
- Applicants who are expected to graduate should calculate the most recent CGPA at the time of application

○ **Age**

- Must be under 40 years of age (born after September 1, 1984)

○ **Health**

- All applicants must be in good health, both mentally and physically, to study in Korea for the full duration of the program

- **All applicants must have no grounds for disqualification (e.g., criminal history) for overseas travel**

◆ Restriction

- **A person who has graduated (or is expected to graduate) from a Korean high school (including international schools) or who has graduated (or is expected to graduate) from a Korean (associate) degree program is NOT eligible to apply**

- A person who graduated from an online curriculum arranged by a Korean school/university cannot apply
- A person who is currently in their final year at a Korean high school/university cannot apply

- **A person who had previously received a scholarship for a degree program from the Korean government is NOT eligible to apply**
 - A previous GKS scholar who has received scholarships from GKS for exchange and self-funded students
 - A previous (or current) GKS scholar who are currently in, have completed, or graduated from a GKS associate degree program
 - A previous GKS scholar whose scholarship was cancelled after their enrollment
 - ※ ‘Cancellation of scholarship’ means a GKS scholar either withdraws from the program or his/her scholarship was forfeited during their scholarship period
 - A person who had previously received a scholarship for their degree program from another Korean government agency other than NIIED
- **Former GKS degree program applicants who has withdrawn from the program or was disqualified from the scholarship after being selected as GKS scholars in recent three years cannot apply**

◆ Scholarship Benefits

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Scholarship	Airfare	Monthly Allowance	Language Training Fee
Benefits	Economy class flight of initial entry and final departure	Living expenses, health insurance fee, settlement support fund, , TOPIK test fee, etc.	Korean language course tuition
Expense	Actual expense	12.8 million KRW/year	5.2 million KRW/year (1.3 million KRW/semester)
Payment	NIIED → Universities → GKS Scholars		NIIED → Universities

○ Important Notes

- Entry airfare is not supported for those residing in Korea as of the date of final scholar result announcement.
- Travel expenses within the country and entry insurance are not supported
- If a GKS scholar withdraws within 3 months of admission, they must return the full scholarship benefits

◆ Documents to Submit

○ List of documents to submit

Type	No.	Application Documents	Note
Documents to Complete	1	(form 1) Application form	Required
	2	(form 2) Personal Statement	
	3	(form 3) GKS Application Agreement	
	4	(form 4) Personal Medical Assessment	
Required Certificates *Submit with apostille/ consular-confirmation	5	Proof of citizenship (applicant and parents) and proof of family relationship	Required
	6	High School or (Associate) Degree Program Graduation Certificate(or certificate of expected graduation)	
	7	Academic transcript of high school or (Associate) Degree curriculum	
	8	Proof of Korean Citizenship Renunciation Document	Required for relevant applicants
	9	Applicant's Passport	
Other Documents	10	(form 5) Letter of Recommendation	Optional
	11	Score report of valid TOPIK or English Proficiency Test	Optional
	12	Awards and other certificates, etc.	Optional

○ Document preparation for application

– Application documents for the first round of selection (Ukrainian government)

[Documents to complete* & Required certificates**]

• **Number of documents to submit:** set by Ukrainian government/embassy

* **Documents to complete:** Application, Personal statement, Application agreement, Personal medical assessment (form 1~4)

** **Required certificates:** Certificate of (expected) graduation, academic transcript, proof of citizenship

※ All applicant documents sent to NIIED must meet the submission requirements for the second round of selection

– **Application documents for the second round of selection (NIIED)**

[Documents to complete]

- **Submission requirements:** All forms must be filled in English or Korean with applicant's original handwritten signature
 - ※ No need to be apostilled or consular confirmed
- **Number of documents to submit:** ONE original document + THREE additional photocopies

[Documents to complete]

- **Submission requirements**
 - Documents written in English (or Korean): must be apostilled or consular confirmed
 - Documents written in other languages: ① documents written in a language other than English or Korean must be submitted with a certified translation ② obtain apostille or consular confirmation on either the original document or the certified translation
- ※ Submit your '**required certificates**' with apostille. However, high school graduation certificate and academic transcript can be submitted with consular confirmation
- **Number of documents to submit:** ONE apostilled/consular confirmed document + THREE additional photocopies

<Document submission requirements for the second round of selection at NIIED>

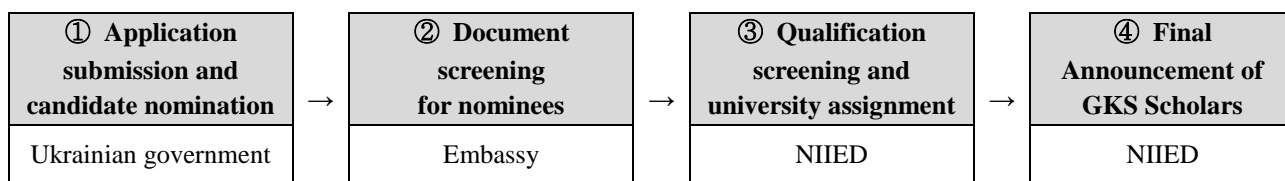
Documents to Submit	Submission Requirement
<p align="center">Proof of Citizenship and Family Relationship</p>	<p>-Submit the official certificates such as birth certificate or family register issued by a government to prove ① family relationship between an applicant and his/her parents ② their citizenship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If applicants cannot submit necessary documents due to absence of their parent(s), - e.g. divorced or deceased – please <u>provide additional documents (e.g. divorce certificate or death certificate)</u> that explains the reason for not submitting their proof of citizenship <p>-If applicants’ or their parents’ nationality or citizenship information is not indicated in the above documents, submit <u>a copy of valid passport as supplementary documents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ethic, birth place, or current residency in the submitted documents will not be accepted as citizenship information. Please submit a copy of valid passport as supplementary documents If a copy of passport are not available, please <u>submit other government issued document or a copy of ID card that clearly indicates citizenship information as supplementary documents</u> <p>※ If supplementary documents submitted in alongside a birth certificate or family register fail to provide the necessary information, it will not meet the requirements.</p>
<p align="center">Certificate of Graduation</p>	<p>-Submit a graduation certificate, degree certificate, or a diploma that indicates a date (or month) of graduation</p> <p>-Anyone attending a university or college must submit a certificate issued by their high school</p> <p>-Certificate of expected graduation will be accepted only if the document indicates the expected graduation date(or month)</p> <p>-If a certificate of expected graduation cannot be apostilled or consular confirmed due to government policy, submit an apostilled or consular confirmed certificate of enrollment instead. Submit a notarized certification of expected graduation with an authenticated of enrollment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A certificate of enrollment without expected graduation date is NOT accepted <p>-Provisional graduation (degree) certificate does not indicate a graduation date will be considered as a certificate of expected graduation</p> <p>-Applicants who are expected to graduate must first submit a certificate of expected graduation at the time of application. If such applicants pass the selection, they must submit an official graduation certificate (or a degree certificate) by the specified date <u>(July 31, 2024)</u>. Failure to submit will result in cancellation of admission.</p>
<p align="center">Academic Transcript</p>	<p>-Submit an academic transcript issued by the school of previous program(High school or Degree)</p> <p>-If a CGPA is not indicated in one of the accepted scales (4.0, 4.3, 4.5, 5.0 or 100 point scale), the applicant <u>must submit a transcript converted into one of the above GPA scales as a supplementary document</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A converted transcript is only valid if officially issued by their school(or university), with an official seal is required. In such cases, apostilled or consular confirmed is not necessary for these documents A converted transcript issued from a website such as <i>scholaro.com</i>, <i>wes.org</i>, etc. is only valid if it confirmed by their school with an official seal. In such cases, apostilled or consular confirmed is not necessary for these documents <p>※ If an applicant does not submit the additional documents with the accepted grading scales, it will not be possible to evaluate applicant’s eligibility and academic ability</p> <p>-If a transcript indicates CGPA for the entire academic duration, it will be accepted even if it</p>

	<p>does not indicate GPA per semester/year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In such case, the applicant can only provide CGPA in the application <p>-If a transcript of a transferred student does not include the pre-transfer grades, submit an academic record of the previous school as a supplementary document</p> <p>-In case of a graduation examination report is considered as an official academic record of a high school graduation, applicant's grade eligibility may be evaluated by such graduation exam report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In such case, it is recommended to provide an additional academic record of the entire curriculum as a supplementary document
Proof of Korean Citizenship Renunciation	<p>-Required for relevant applicants</p> <p>-Submit supporting documents such as birth certificate or family register that proves family relationship between an applicant and his/her ascendant</p>
Copy of Passport	<p>-Submit if necessary</p> <p>-Submit a passport copy as a supplementary document if the proof of citizenship (birth certificate, family register, etc.) does not clearly indicate citizenship information</p>
Recommendation Letter	<p>-Submit a recommendation letter written by applicant's teachers or principal of high school or professors of the university (Optional)</p> <p>※ If the recommendation letter is not sealed or commonly issued to everyone by school, it will not be acceptable</p>
Score Report of Korean or English Proficiency Test	<p>-Submit if necessary (Optional)</p> <p>-Korean: TOPIK / English: TOEFL, IELTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TOPIK certificates from the 81st ~ 93rd exam will be recognized as valid certificates Submit a printed copy of TOPIK score report from the website (topik.go.kr) Submit a printed copy of English proficiency test score report from the respective website or a photocopy of original certificate
Copy of Awards and Other Certificate	<p>-Submit if necessary (Optional)</p> <p>-Submit materials such as an award that can prove the applicant's activities described in the "Personal Statement". These documents do not need to be apostilled or consular-confirmed</p>

◆ Selection Procedure

※ The schedule is subject to change.

○ Selection Procedure



※ NIIED announces the final successful GKS Scholars, and there is no need for the Ukrainian government or embassy to announce the results during the selection process

○ Selection Schedule

Candidate Nomination (Ukrainian government)		Document Screening for Nominees (Embassy)	Qualification Screening and Final Announcement (NIIED)	
Process	Application screening and interview	Sending documents to NIIED after screening	Qualification and university	Final GKS Scholar announcement
Schedule	Submit documents by May 31st (Ukrainian gov. → Embassy)	Submit documents by June 10th (Embassy → NIIED)	University assignment	June 28th Final Announcement

○ Timeline

Application Submission and Candidate nomination (Ukrainian government)	▶ April ~ May 2024 (set by Ukrainian government) -Review application requirements and qualification (Ukrainian government)
Candidate Nomination (Ukrainian gov. → Embassy)	▶ ~ May 31th, 2024 -Submit the list of nominees and application documents to embassy
Document Screening and send final documents (Embassy → NIIED)	▶ ~ June 10th, 2024 -Submit the list of nominees and application documents to NIIED
Selection of Final GKS Scholars (NIIED)	▶ June 2024 -Qualification screening and university assignment
Final Announcement of successful GKS Scholars (NIIED → University, Embassy)	▶ June 28 th , 2024 -Announce on the website(www.studyin korea.go.kr) and official document
Result Announcement (NIIED → GKS Scholars)	▶ June 28 th ~ July 5 th , 2024 -Send a NIIED Invitation Letter, GKS Scholar's Notice, consent of Personal Information, etc.

<p>Visa application/issuance (GKS Scholars → Embassy)</p>	<p>▶ July ~ August 2024 -Documents: visa application, invitation letter, passport, etc.</p>
<p>Announcement of Entry date and airfare (University → GKS Scholars)</p>	<p>▶ July ~ August 2024 -Notification of scholars flight ticket purchase and entry schedule</p>
<p>Entry of Korea (University)</p>	<p>▶ August 2024 -Scholars departure and entry support</p>
<p>Korean Language Training Program (University)</p>	<p>▶ September 1st, 2024 ~ August 31st, 2025 -Korean language training program at a university assigned by NIIED</p>
<p>2024 GKS Scholars Orientation (NIIED, University)</p>	<p>▶ September 2024 -Guide of GKS scholars regulations, immigration policy and Korean culture, etc. -University's orientation will be set by each university</p>

3. Cooperation and Administration

- ※ If it is difficult to nominate by Ukrainian government before the MOU between Korea-Ukraine, the selection process will be operated through recommendation by the embassy in cooperation between the Ukrainian government and the Korean embassy

◆ (Ukrainian government) Application submission and nominating GKS candidates

- (Number of the Nominees) Up to 100 regular candidates + 10 preliminary candidates
 - (Deadline of Nomination) Notify and send nominees' documents to the embassy by Friday, May 31st, 2024
 - (Screening Method) Ukrainian government discretion
- ※ Detailed screening methods will be established and operated at the discretion of the Ukrainian government, but if necessary, refer to the GKS Scholarship Student Selection Screening Guidelines (Appendix 3) and Interview Questions (Appendixes 4)

◆ (Embassy) Review documents for nominated candidates and submit to NIIED

- (Number of the Nominees) Up to 100 regular candidates + 10 preliminary candidates
- (Deadline of Nomination) Submit to NIIED by Monday, June 10th, 2024
 - After receiving and reviewing the nominated candidate documents from the Ukrainian government, compile them in accordance with the conditions for submission to the NIIED and submit them.
- (Document submission) Submit as an electronic official document attachment and diplomatic pouch

<Receiving address for electronic official documents>

(Receiver) Minister of Foreign Affairs (Director of UNESCO Department)

(Copy) President of NIIED (Director of Higher Education Internationalization Department)

< List of electronic official document attachment files >

(Form 1) List and status of recommended candidates (submitted as EXCEL file)

(Form 2) Statement of embassy execution expenses and supporting documents (submitted as PDF file)

(Form 3) Remittance account for embassy execution expenses (submitted as EXCEL file)

- Beware of errors in embassy account information (especially transit bank information) -

(Form 4) Advance application for embassy execution expenses (submitted as HWP file)

- Nominee application documents (1 original, 3 copies): Send in diplomatic pouch, etc.

<Diplomatic pouch receiving address>

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○ **Support for embassy execution expenses**

- ※ According to the conclusion of the MOU, there is no separate screening fee support when the Ukrainian government conducts the screening.
- ※ Support for costs related to document review and postage fees for sending documents is available (embassy)

<Support for embassy execution expenses>

- Payment amount: Actual expenses within USD 1,200
 - ※ Including cases where remittance fees are expected to be charged
- Support items: Publicity expenses (media publicity, production of promotional items, etc.), external committee review allowance*, postage fees for sending documents, etc.
 - * Allowances cannot be paid to internal employees, and excessive expenditure on external review allowances should be avoided.
- How to apply
 - ① Application for advance payment: For embassies that require advance payment, apply for advance payment and embassy account to the headquarters by electronic official document (Forms 3 and 4) by Friday, May 3, 2024, and submit settlement documents by Friday, June 10 (Form) 2, 3) (Form 3) Remittance account for embassy execution expenses (Excel) / (Form 4) Advance application for embassy execution expenses (HWP)
 - ② Application for payment after prepayment: Attach settlement statement, etc. and submit settlement documents to our center by June 10 (Friday) (Forms 2 and 3)

○ **Important Note**

- The names, dates of birth, etc. in the ‘(Form 1) List and Status of Recommended Persons’ are used in conjunction with major official documents such as the National Institute for International Education ‘Invitation Letter’, ‘University Standard Admission Letter’, ‘Airline Ticket’, and ‘Visa Issuance Application Form’. Be careful to ensure that there are no errors in it.
- Submitted documents must be submitted in order of the application checklist on the first page of the application form, and the number and name on the checklist must be written in the upper right corner of each document (e.g. 6. Consulate-confirmed copy of graduation certificate)

(example)

6. Graduation certificate (consular-confirmed)

- Recommender application documents must be A4 size (or letter size)
- ※ If the document is smaller than the standard, submit it by attaching it to a separate A4 sheet. If it is larger than the standard, fold it and submit it to fit the A4 standard.

◆ (NIIED) Qualification screening, University assignment, Final announcement of successful GKS Scholars

- (Screening Method) Form a review committee with internal members and conduct document review
 - Review scholarship eligibility, including application qualifications and restrictions
 - ※ Vacancies due to ineligibility as a result of the screening will be selected from among preliminary candidates.
- (Scholarship University Allocation) Scholarship students are allocated based on application field and university capacity.
 - ※ Number of scholarship students allocated to universities

No.	University	Specialized Fields	Capacity	No.	University	Specialized Fields	Capacity
1	Keimyung	Medical, Health	25	3	Chonnam	AI, SW	25
2	Dong-A	Urban reconstruction	25	4	Chungnam	Energy, Environment	25

- ※ The number of people assigned to each institution may vary depending on the scholarship application status, etc.
- (Announcement of final successful applicants) Notification of the list of successful candidates via electronic official letter to the institutions (embassy, university) by Friday, June 28, 2024
 - ※ Announcement of successful GKS Scholars on the website (www.studyinkorea.go.kr)
 - Invitation letter and entry notice sent to successful GKS Scholars (NIIED → Selected GKS Scholars)

◆ (Embassy, University) Management of Selected GKS Scholars

- (Management of prospective graduates) When nominating an expected graduate candidate, the scholars' final graduation certificate and transcript must be submitted to NIIED within the deadline (July 31, 2024), and if not submitted, scholarship will be cancelled.
- (Certificate of Graduation) Prepare in advance the several apostilled (or consulate-confirmed) graduation certificates required for Certificate of Admission (Korean

university) and visa application (embassy, Korean immigration office), and bring them when entering Korea.

※ Documents submitted for review by NIIED, such as graduation certificates, will not be returned (kept for more than 5 years)

○ **(Management of those who give up) If there is an intention to give up after final announcement, nominating institution submits a waiver (free form) signed by the selected scholars as an official document.**

※ Withdrawal after final announcement, it cannot be overturned and re-apply to the GKS program, so please inform them in advance to avoid any complaints

○ **(Management of GKS scholars staying in Korea)**

– If the final successful GKS scholar already holds a residence visa (D2, D4, etc.) in Korea, please notice them in advance that issuance (or change) of a visa for the university (Korean language training institute) to which the scholar is scheduled to enter may not be possible* in Korea

* As soon as the final successful candidate is announced, please inquire at the local immigration office about the new visa issuance process and required documents to avoid any problems with new visa issuance.

– Those residing in Korea as of the date of announcement of final successful candidates are not eligible for support for airfare to enter Korea.

○ **GKS-IRTS program provides support for one year of Korean language training, and there will be no additional scholarship support for future degree programs**

○ **Guide the final successful GKS Scholars to fully familiarize themselves with the laws and regulations related to immigration and stay in Korea, the academic guidelines of NIIED, and the academic management regulations of University**

University school rules, academic regulations, etc.	Please refer to each university's website
Immigration and stay related laws	www.immigration.go.kr
	www.hikorea.go.kr

◆ (NIIED, Embassy) Support for departure

- (Period) From the date of announcement of final successful GKS Scholars until entry into Korea
- (Type of Visa) D-4, 6 month
- (Visa application documents) The documents required when applying for a scholarship visa have been simplified as follows
(Based on: Guidelines for visa issuance and stay management for foreign students III. Visa issuance)

Visa issuance application form, passport (copy), scholarship invitation letter

- Replace the standard admission letter and financial certificate with a scholarship invitation letter.
- The invitation letter is sent from NIIED to the scholarship recipient in the form of a PDF file, so the printed invitation letter is recognized as the original.
- Enter the phrase ‘Global Korea Scholarship (GKS)’ and the name of the Korean language training institution (university) on the visa application form.
- Exemption of Visa issuance fee
(Based on: Article 74 of the Enforcement Rules of the Immigration Control Act)

◆ (NIIED, University) Entry support

- **Period: From the date of announcement of final GKS Scholars until entry into Korea**
- **Before entry**
 - Certificate of Admission sent to all scholars scheduled to enroll (early July)
 - Guide scholars to apply for visa issuance by completing all documents required by the embassy, such as` invitation letter* and standard admission letter.
* NIIED sends invitation letters (pdf, email) to selected GKS scholars (early July)
- **Airfare support**
 - The Korean language training institute (university) **purchases a one-way economy class electronic ticket and sends it to the GKS scholar.**
 - Airline reservation application form: Form sent and collected by each university to the GKS scholars
 - Airline ticket issuance and transmission: After purchasing an airline ticket at the university, an electronic ticket (E-TICKET) is sent to the scholars.

- If a scholar enters the country by purchasing an airline ticket directly due to unavoidable circumstances, the university will pay the scholar's airfare individually after entry
 - Entry airfare is not provided to those residing in Korea as of the date of announcement of final successful candidates
 - Travel expenses within Korea and insurance premiums for the entry process are not supported.
- **Immigration management**
 - **Date of entry:** Transportation support of departure and from airport to university
 - **Immediately upon entry:** Administrative support is required, including residence support such as dormitory assignment, issuance of alien registration cards, opening of bank accounts in Korea, and initiation of medical insurance coverage.
 - **Delay in entry**
 - All scholars must enter Korea during the entry period
 - Each university reports the scholar's entry results to NIIED
 - If entry is delayed or impossible due to war, natural disaster, etc., delayed admission, leave of absence, local online classes, etc. are permitted in accordance with the relevant guidelines and regulations of NIIED and the university.

◆ (NIIED, University) Orientation

- **NIIED**
 - Time/Location: Between August ~ September, NIIED
 - Contents: Introduction to the GKS-IRTS Program, explanation of academic guidelines, matters related to stay and departure, scholarships, Korean language training, study and living guidance, introduction to Korean culture, etc.
 - ※ In case of unavoidable circumstances, it will be operated by each university
- **University**
 - Time/Location: Recommended before admission, each university
 - Content: Consists of required information for each university, but includes academic guidelines, residence and immigration, scholarship, contact information, and overall university life, etc.

◆ (University) Other obligations

- Exemption of any excess amount other than the language training fee supported by NIIED
- Follow-up measures for academic management and return of scholarships to students on leave of absence and dropouts
- Academic management, including GKS scholar attendance management
- Establishment and planning safety guidance entails creating protocols for various scenarios, including emergency contacts, networking, crisis responses manuals, and measures for preventing infectious disease, etc.
- The organization and operation of the Korean language training course for GKS-IRTS, academic management, etc. are in accordance with the “**GKS (Korean Language Training Course) Academic Guidelines**” and the “**GKS Scholars Academic Administration Guidelines**”

Appendix 1 Capacity of scholars for each university

Appendix 2 GPA conversion table

Appendix 3 GKS scholar selection guidelines

Appendix 4 Example of interview Questions (English)

Appendix 1. Capacity of scholars for each university

◆ **Total Quota (Ukrainian): 100**

◆ **Capacity of scholars for each university**

– Scholars will be assigned according to application field and university capacity

No.	University	Specialized Fields	Capacity	No.	University	Specialized Fields	Capacity
1	Keimyung	Medical, Health	25	3	Chonnam	AI, SW	25
2	Dong-A	Urban reconstruction	25	4	Chungnam	Energy, Environment	25

※ The number of scholars assigned to each university may vary depending on the scholarship application status

Appendix 2. GPA Conversion Table

4.0 Scale	4.3 Scale	4.5 Scale	5.0 Scale	100 Points Scale
3.97 ~ 4.0	4.26 ~ 4.3	4.46 ~ 4.5	4.95 ~ 5.00	100
3.92 ~ 3.96	4.22 ~ 4.25	4.41 ~ 4.45	4.90 ~ 4.94	99
3.88 ~ 3.91	4.17 ~ 4.21	4.36 ~ 4.40	4.84 ~ 4.89	98
3.84 ~ 3.87	4.12 ~ 4.16	4.31 ~ 4.35	4.79 ~ 4.83	97
3.80 ~ 3.83	4.08 ~ 4.11	4.26 ~ 4.30	4.73 ~ 4.78	96
3.75 ~ 3.79	4.03 ~ 4.07	4.21 ~ 4.25	4.68 ~ 4.72	95
3.71 ~ 3.74	3.98 ~ 4.02	4.16 ~ 4.20	4.62 ~ 4.67	94
3.67 ~ 3.70	3.93 ~ 3.97	4.11 ~ 4.15	4.57 ~ 4.61	93
3.62 ~ 3.66	3.89 ~ 3.92	4.06 ~ 4.10	4.51 ~ 4.56	92
3.58 ~ 3.61	3.84 ~ 3.88	4.01 ~ 4.05	4.45 ~ 4.50	91
3.49 ~ 3.57	3.75 ~ 3.83	3.91 ~ 4.00	4.34 ~ 4.44	90
3.41 ~ 3.48	3.65 ~ 3.74	3.81 ~ 3.90	4.23 ~ 4.33	89
3.32 ~ 3.40	3.56 ~ 3.64	3.71 ~ 3.80	4.12 ~ 4.22	88
3.24 ~ 3.31	3.46 ~ 3.55	3.61 ~ 3.70	4.01 ~ 4.11	87
3.15 ~ 3.23	3.37 ~ 3.45	3.51 ~ 3.60	3.90 ~ 4.00	86
3.07 ~ 3.14	3.27 ~ 3.36	3.41 ~ 3.50	3.79 ~ 3.89	85
2.98 ~ 3.06	3.18 ~ 3.26	3.31 ~ 3.40	3.68 ~ 3.78	84
2.90 ~ 2.97	3.09 ~ 3.17	3.21 ~ 3.30	3.57 ~ 3.67	83
2.81 ~ 2.89	2.99 ~ 3.08	3.11 ~ 3.20	3.45 ~ 3.56	82
2.72 ~ 2.80	2.90 ~ 2.98	3.01 ~ 3.10	3.34 ~ 3.44	81
2.64 ~ 2.71	2.80 ~ 2.89	2.91 ~ 3.00	3.23 ~ 3.33	80

Appendix 3. GKS Scholar Selection Guidelines (for reference of the Ukraine Government)

◆ Screening Committee

- It will be composed of internal and external members (3 or more members), but the ratio of members and member qualifications are at the discretion of the nominating institution, but participation of the Korean Education Center is required.
- ※ Government officials of the host country, officials of embassies abroad, professors, etc.

◆ Qualification screening

- Evaluate whether or not the application qualifications, including nationality, education, grades, age, health, and application restrictions, are met through document review.
- In order to apply fair and identical screening standards to all applicants, arbitrary changes or error corrections in applicant submitted documents are, in principle, prohibited.
- Minor document insufficiencies shall be subject to the decision of the review committee, but it is recommended that they be reflected in competency evaluation scores such as ‘documentation, fidelity and sincerity’ indicators or ‘development potential’ indicators rather than ‘suitability’ evaluation of qualifications.
- Competency screening will be conducted only for those who pass the qualification screening
- Application documents . Things to keep in mind when reviewing qualifications
 - Be sure to check if the English name matches the passport.
- ※ (Note) Delays in visa issuance frequently occur because the name (especially middle name) on the ‘visa issuance application form’ is different from the name at the time of application written on the ‘invitation letter’ of the final successful candidate.
 - Completion of various application documents and confirmation of authenticity
 - Omission of various information: If it is different from the facts, is inaccurate, or has incomplete documents, it will be excluded from review.
 - Whether documents are prepared according to precautions when submitting documents

◆ Competency screening

- ① Document screening
 - The evaluation items, indicators, and score distribution provided by the institute shall be applied, but the score distribution of 6 items can be changed depending on the conditions of the recommending institution.

<Document review evaluation items and indicators (example)>

Evaluation items	Evaluation indicators	Points
Academic Ability (60 points)	Grade ※ Considering the country’s education system and information on the school of origin, etc.	30
	Language skills (Korean, English) ※ Evaluation based on TOPIK level, official English proficiency test, etc.	20
	Academic-related activities ※ Evaluation will be based on efforts to overcome adversity, awards, etc., but preference will be given to applicants with science or engineering backgrounds.	10
Non-academic Activities (40 points)	Post-war reconstruction and potential to serve as a bridge between countries ※ Comprehensive consideration of motivation for application, club activities, social activities, volunteer activities, leadership activities, etc.	20
	development potential ※ Comprehensive consideration of motivation for application, personality and passion, suitability for major, potential, need for support, etc.	15
	Provision, faithfulness and authenticity of all documents	5
TOTAL		100
Additional Points	※ Applicants who have TOPIK level 3 or higher: 10% of total points awarded	

- Among the evaluation indicators, ‘language proficiency’ is separated into ‘Korean proficiency’ and ‘English proficiency’, and if there is a corresponding official score, a score range for each grade or grade is presented
(Test scores recognized within 2 years from the date of announcement by the National Institute for International Education)

< Official language proficiency score award section >

points \Test type	TOPIK	TOEFL iBT	IELTS
100% of total points	Level 5 or higher	-	-
90% of total points	level 4	114 points or higher	8.0 or higher
80% of total points	level 3	95 points or higher	7.0 or higher
70% of total points	level 2	72 points or higher	6.0 or higher
60% of total points	level 1	42 points or higher	5.0 or higher

- ※ English score conversion standard: ETS Conversion table
- ※ If you do not have the above-mentioned official language level or grades, evaluation will be based on your self-introduction, study plan, etc.
- ※ If you submit two or more Korean and English scores, only the highest grade will be recognized.

② Interview screening

- Interview screening (possible by video, phone, etc.) will be conducted at the government's discretion, but will be evaluated on the possibility of contributing to post-war reconstruction, understanding of the purpose of this scholarship system,

personality, etc.

- The evaluation items, indicators, and points provided by the institute are applied, but the indicators and points can be changed to reflect the conditions of the recommending institution and the uniqueness of the local country.

<Interview evaluation items and indicators (example)>

Evaluation items	Evaluation indicators	Points
cognitive ability (50 points)	Academic ability: academic performance, purpose and plan for studying abroad, potential	20
	Language skills: Ability to use Korean or English in practice	20
	Major ability: Interest in major (desired) field and study plan	10
social characteristics (40 points)	Defining characteristics: personality and attitude, leadership, etc.	20
	Cultural adaptability: adaptability to the environment, tolerance for other cultures, etc.	20
Contribution Potential (10 points)	Possible future contributions: Post-war reconstruction and potential to act as bridges between countries	10
TOTAL		100

○ **Preferential treatment**

- In case of tied scores when deciding on recommended candidates, ranking is determined in order of preference.

< Preferential treatment >

- ① Applicants with difficult social and economic conditions, such as family circumstances
- ② Those with excellent official English proficiency scores (TOEFL, IELTS)

○ **Precautions**

- The review committee, review items and standards, etc. are confidential to the public*
* There is concern over fairness when the contents of the ‘Selection Guidelines’, which are outside the scope of the screening-related content provided in the published ‘Recruitment Guidelines’, are discriminatorily disclosed to applicants and other external parties.
- The recommendation letter is sealed and opened by the primary screening agency.
- The recommending agency must specify the regular and preliminary candidates in the results.
- One copy of the rejected applicant's documents will be kept in accordance with the recommending institution's own standards, and the original documents may be returned to the applicant.
- If reasons for disqualification are found, such as inability to issue a visa, being over age, having committed a crime, or having a serious illness, the candidate will be excluded from recommendation.

Appendix 4. Interview Questions (Example)

1. Introduction and Personal information

- Tell us a little about yourself.
- Have you ever received any scholarships before?

2. Motives and Career plan

- What made you apply for the GKS International Reconstruction Talent Scholarship Program?
- What do you think you can contribute to the reconstruction of Ukraine after studying in Korea?
- What made you choose Korea for your studies?
- Why do you think we should consider you a strong candidate for this program? (Please tell us about strength and competency)
- How do you picture yourself after four or five years from now (after you attain degree)?
- If you have a long-term goal, please share with us.

3. Knowledge of Korea and GKS

- What do you know about Korea? How did you learn about GKS?
- Tell us how you got to learn about the program.
- Are you well aware of this program (regarding its purpose, background, conditions, benefits, and etc.)?
- What do you find most attractive about this program compared to other country's government scholarship program? What aspect of the program appeals to you most?

4. Adapting to life in Korea

- Have you ever lived in other countries?
- Have you ever been exposed to Korean culture? (such as Korean friends, K-food, K-pop, K-beauty, and etc.)
- What do you think will be the most difficulty you may face when living in Korea?
- How will you cope with any difficulties or inconveniences that might happen when living in Korea?
- Would you be able to stay with a roommate from a different country at the dormitory during your Korean language program?

5. Personality, character and Interpersonal skills

- How would you describe your personality? What are your strengths and weaknesses?

- How would your close friends, families, or colleagues describe you?
- How do you generally handle conflict?
- If you could change one thing about your personality, what would it be?
- Can you define personality or distinctiveness? In order to develop "good" personality, what do you think is the most important thing to improve or develop?
- Give me a specific occasion in which you conformed to a policy with which you did not agree.
- By providing examples, convince me that you can adapt yourself to a wide variety of people, situations and environments.
- How do you usually handle difficult situations?
- How do you behave when you are having a problem with a friend at school or a co-worker?
- Let's suppose that you are asked to do something by the professor with a very short notice. What would you do?
- How would you react if your professor or advisor makes an inappropriate comments?
- What do you do during your free time? Is there any extracurricular activity or hobby you are interested in doing?
- What was the most embarrassing moment in your life?
- Do you think you have many friends? What is the most important factor to you when you make friends?
- Whom do you consult with or seek advice from when you have problems?
- What would you do if the outcome did not meet your expectations?
- Tell me about your experience of doing something that no one else wanted to do.
- Let's say, you barely have enough time to complete a paper, but you have just found a major error in the paper. What would you do?

6. Health, appearance, attitude, attire

- Are you in good health? What do you do to stay healthy?
- What do you do to relieve stress or tensions?
- What dignity or attitude do you think should the scholarship grantee possess?
- Is there any person that you admire or respect? Who is it and why do you consider that person admirable?
- What type of people do you think are not respectable?

7. Closing

- Is there anything else we should know about you?
- Do you have any further questions?