

# Korean Language and Literature

## 1. General Overview

The Department of Korean Language and Literature is committed to producing professionals who are devoted to studying the Korean language, the spiritual basis for the Korean culture. The curricula include analysis of everyday advertising copy, lectures on contemporary Korean literature taught by practicing writers and critics, and lectures on classical Korean literature.

## 2. Educational Goals/Objectives

To encourage students to think creatively and critically, Korean Language and Literature focuses on the following points.

- Pride in the Korean language and the importance of research into the Korean language and literature
- Exploration, preservation, transmission, and new application of indigenous linguistic resources and cultural heritage
- Aspects of the introduction of Christianity to Korean society as reflected in the Korean language and literature, its influence on the culture, and the indigenization processes
- Development of the Korean language as a second/foreign language
- Development of Korean literary content and diversification of research areas
- Research, education, and globalization of the Korean language and literature in preparation for reunification of Korea

## 3. Areas of Specialization and/or Course Titles

Korean Linguistics, Classical Korean Literature, Modern Korean Literature

## 4. Career Opportunities/Job Situation

Cultural competence, cultural literacy, and cultural sensitivity are highly valued in information age. Education in our Department proves useful in many fields of the society. Many of our graduates are working in the following capacities:

- research fellow, secondary school teacher, professor, instructor of the Korean language
- writer, literary critic, cultural critic, copywriter, scriptwriter
- producer in journalism and publication, TV/radio announcer, news reporter, editor, performance director, PR specialist

## 5. Related Licenses

Class II Teacher's License in Korean for Secondary School