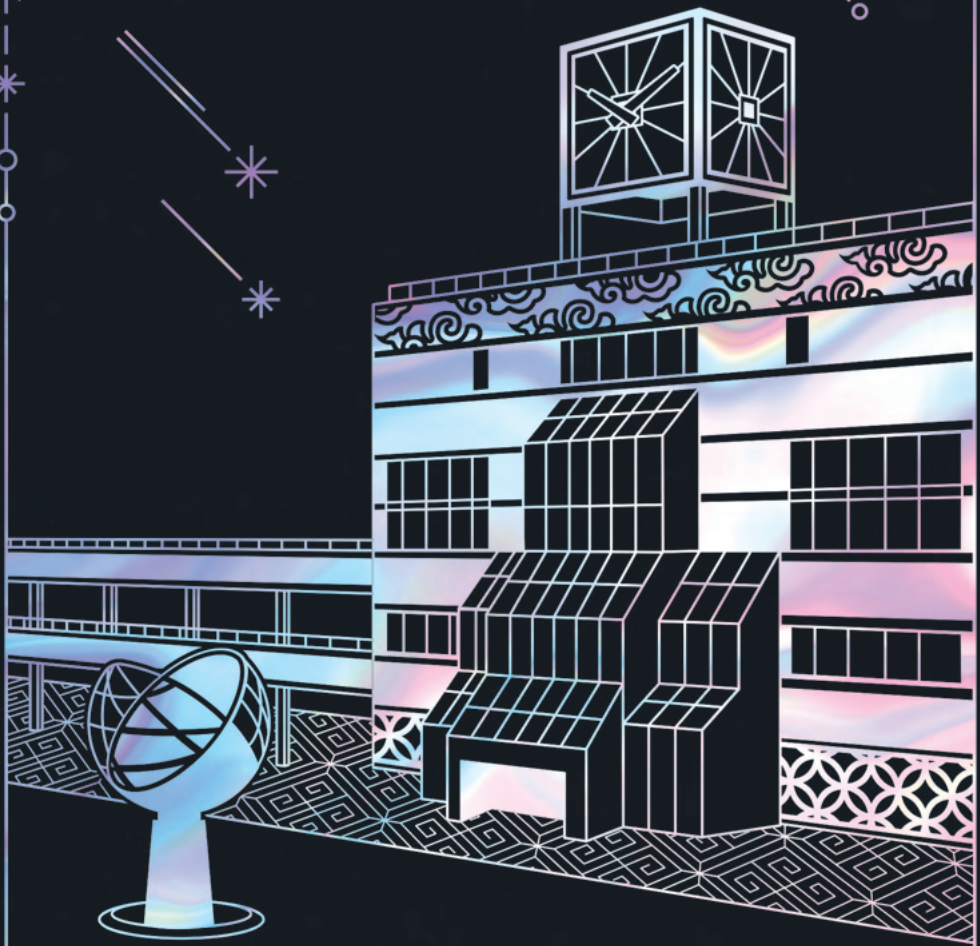
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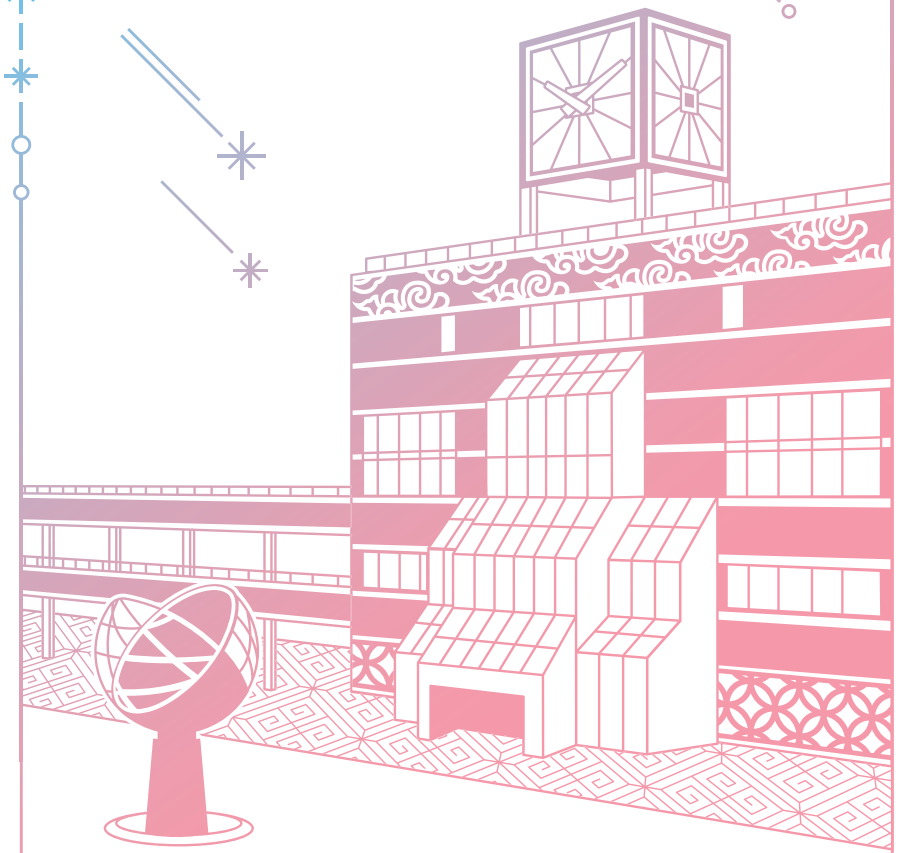
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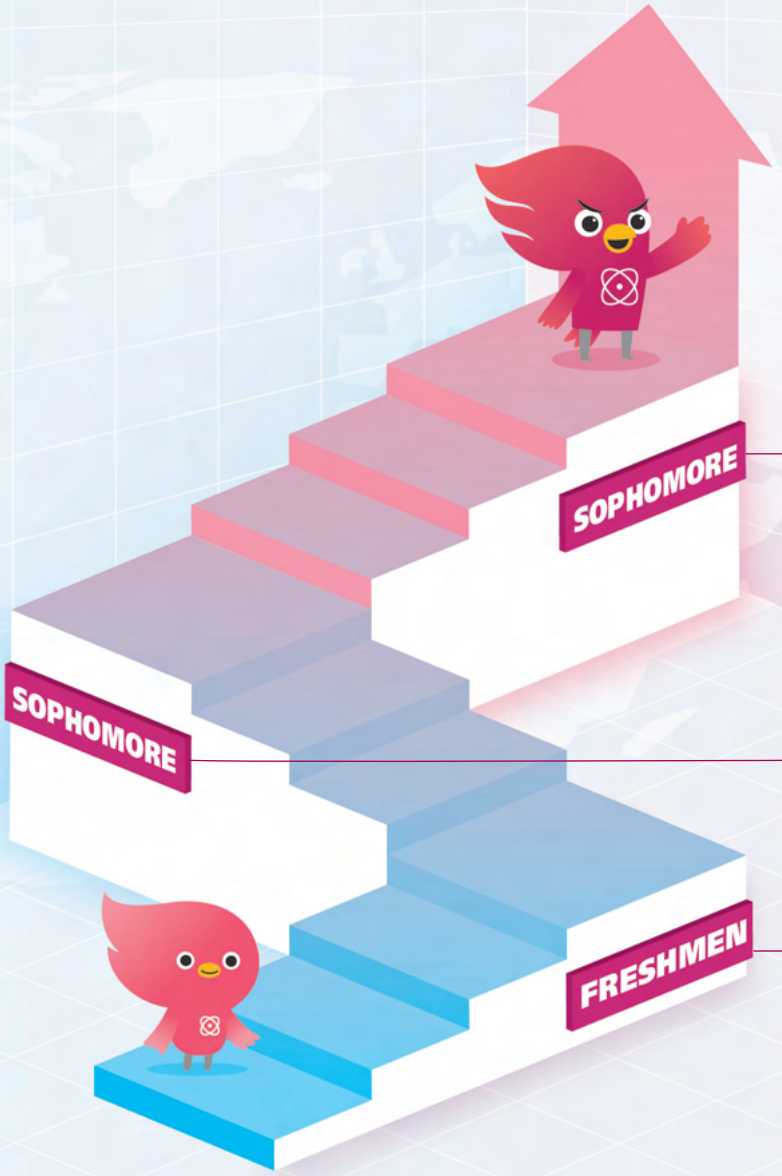
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WORKING HOURS. Monday to Friday (excluding holidays), 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM (KST)



Academic Programs for Undergraduate Students



Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies

All undergraduate students are admitted to the Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies, a non-declared major track. **MUEUNJAE** (Korean: 무은재, Chinese characters: 無垠齋) means 'there are no boundaries in knowledge.' At POSTECH, students undergo an exploratory academic phase in the first three semesters before declaring a major that best aligns with their interests and goals. The School fosters convergent thinking, helps students adjust to university life, and supports their academic exploration through core and introductory courses. Students declare their major at the end of the third semester, before entering the fourth.

SOPHOMORE
4th Semester
(Begin Coursework in Declared Major)

SOPHOMORE
3rd Semester
(Science & Technology Core Subjects)

FRESHMEN
1st ~ 2nd Semester
(Exploration of the 11 Majors)

Undergraduate Majors

Available Majors	Research Area
Mathematics https://math.postech.ac.kr/en	• Geometry & Topology • Algebra & Number Theory • Applied Mathematics and Statistics • Analysis & Partial Differential Equations
Physics https://pheng.postech.ac.kr/	• Experimental Condensed Matter Physics • Theoretical Condensed Matter Physics • AMO Physics • Biophysics/Complex Systems • Plasma Physics/Accelerator Physics • Particle Theory • Ultrafast Science
Chemistry https://chem.postech.ac.kr/EN/	• Physical Chemistry • Organic Chemistry • Inorganic Chemistry • Analytical Chemistry • Polymer Chemistry • Biochemistry
Life Sciences https://life.postech.ac.kr/eng/html/main/main.php	• Structural Biology • Immunology • Molecular Medicine • Neuroscience • Plant Sciences
Materials Science and Engineering https://mse.postech.ac.kr/main-eng/	• Energy Technology • Information Technology • Healthcare Technology • Analytical·Computational Materials Science & Structural Materials Technology
Mechanical Engineering https://me.postech.ac.kr/	• Nano/Microscale Engineering • Biomedical Engineering • Future Energy/Mobility
Industrial & Management Engineering https://ime.postech.ac.kr/en/	• Business Analytics • Smart Service Systems • Systemic Risk Management
Electrical Engineering https://eee.postech.ac.kr/	• Solid State and Quantum Electronics • Integrated Circuits and SoC Design • Computer Engineering • Communications and Signal Processing • Control and Power Electronics • Electromagnetics and Microwave Engineering
Computer Science & Engineering https://ecse.postech.ac.kr	• Theory of Computing • Computing Systems • Computer Security • Network Systems • Software Engineering & Programming Languages • Data Science • Machine Learning • Human-Computer Interaction • Visual Computing
Chemical Engineering https://ce.postech.ac.kr/eng/index.php	• Energy & Environment • Biotechnology • Material • Computation & Systems
Convergence IT Engineering https://cite.postech.ac.kr/eng/	• Smart Computing • Smart Devices & Systems • IT-based Future Healthcare

* All international undergraduate students are admitted through a non-declared major track. Please note that the **Department of Semiconductor Engineering** is not part of this track and does not accept international students at the undergraduate level. Admission to this department is available only at the graduate level.

Testimonials from Enrolled Students

I highly recommend POSTECH as your top choice, given the wide range of support systems and opportunities it offers.

Most notably, the opportunity to engage in research projects as an undergraduate is truly exceptional. Although I am only a sophomore, I am already participating in a research internship by reaching out to a professor directly.

Additionally, students can take part in a variety of activities such as the Undergraduate Group Research Program (UGRP) and entrepreneurship competitions. As a research-oriented university specializing in science and engineering, POSTECH provides an ideal environment to build a personal network through entrepreneurship groups, student organizations, strong mentorship between senior and junior students, and short-term study abroad programs—an outstanding advantage of the POSTECH experience.

The curriculum of the Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies is also highly appealing. It allows students to explore their interests and aptitudes through foundational courses and departmental exploration up to the first semester of their second year. I am proud to say that POSTECH offers the best environment in which to pursue and realize your dreams.



Yeonho Kim
Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies



Le Phuong Thao
(PhD candidate), Division of Interdisciplinary Bioscience & Bioengineering

Enrolling at POSTECH represents a pivotal milestone in my pursuit of becoming a globally recognized scientific researcher.

The university has endowed me with an extraordinary academic environment, enriched by cutting-edge research facilities, a dynamic and ever-evolving curriculum, distinguished faculty, and a community of brilliant peers. Immersing myself in such an intellectually vibrant and forward-thinking institution continuously ignites my passion for discovery and drives me to excel in my research endeavors.

The privilege of engaging with fellow scholars from diverse cultural and academic backgrounds has profoundly broadened my perspective, fostering invaluable personal and professional growth.

At POSTECH, I felt a deep sense of belonging, as if I were in my homeland while embracing the richness of a multicultural experience that broadened my world.

01 ADMISSIONS OVERVIEW

Admission Timeline

Admission Tracks		How to Apply	Application Period (KST)	Results Announcement	Semester Begins
Fall 2026	International Admissions I	Apply via the StudyinKorea website	Sep. 26 (Fri), 2025, 10:00 AM - Nov. 3 (Mon), 2025, 6:00 PM	Jan. 5 (Mon), 2026 Confirmation of enrollment intention*: April 2026	August 2026
	International Admissions II (재외국민과 외국인전형)				
Spring 2027	Global Korea Scholarship (GKS)	Post documents to the university or embassy	From September 2025	December 2025	February 2027 (After 1 year of language course)

* The intent to enroll will be confirmed through a response form sent to the applicant's email address after the final results are announced.
* Important information and schedules related to admission are subject to change.
  Any updates will be announced on the official website: https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr
* GKS track details will be updated on the admissions website once StudyinKorea announces the official implementation plan in September.

Application Procedures ✳

STEP 1	[International Admissions I & II] **Complete Online Application** (including personal statement and required documents uploaded)
STEP 2	[International Admissions I & II] **Application Fee Payment**
STEP 3	**Post required documents to the Admissions Office** * Must be received within the application period.
STEP 4	**Ensure the designated recommender sends the letter directly to postech-iuadmission@postech.ac.kr within the application period.**

* It is the applicant's sole responsibility to review all application requirements and to ensure that all required documents are accurate, complete, and submitted on time.

Eligibility

Admission Type	Eligibility
International Admissions I	• Both applicants and their parents must hold non-Korean citizenship. ◦ The applicant and both parents must have held foreign citizenship before the applicant entered high school, and must not have held dual citizenship with Korea thereafter. • Applicants must have graduated or be expected to graduate from high school by August 31, 2026. * Article 29(2)6 of the Enforcement Decree of the Higher Education Act.
International Admissions II (재외국민과외국인전형)	• Applicants must have completed a full regular curriculum equivalent to elementary, middle, and high school entirely outside Korea. • Applicants must have graduated or be expected to graduate, from a high school outside Korea by August 31, 2026. * Article 29(2)7 of the Enforcement Decree of the Higher Education Act.
Global Korea Scholarship (GKS)	• Applicants who hold citizenship of NIIED designated countries. • Detailed eligibility criteria can be found on the StudyinKorea website.

* POSTECH does not accept transfer applications. All applicants must apply for first-year undergraduate admission.
* Applicants of foreign nationality, with both parents also holding foreign nationality, are strongly encouraged to apply through International Admissions I.
* Academic credentials such as the GED, homeschooling, online or distance learning programs are not considered equivalent to a high school diploma.

✳ Documents should be mailed to ✳

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Pohang University of Science and Technology
Tae-Joon Park Digital Library #231, 77 Cheongam-Ro, Nam-gu, Pohang, Gyeongbuk, Republic of Korea, 37673

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Admission Process

Document Review Only

Admission decisions are made based on the applicant's academic strengths and potential. There is no fixed quota, and candidates are selected through a comprehensive review of the submitted documents only.

STEP 1
Application

STEP 2
Document Review

STEP 3
Announcement

STEP 4
Enrollment Confirmation

STEP 5
Visa Issuance

STEP 6
Semester Begins

* The GKS track may involve an interview, which is conducted for applicants who qualify through the document review stage.
* Confirmation of intent to enroll will be requested via a response form sent to the applicant's email address after the final results are announced.
* After confirming enrollment, an official admission letter will be issued.

Evaluation Criteria

❶ Academic Achievement

Qualifications based on science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) subjects and English language proficiency.

* Applicants' academic achievements are evaluated based on the level of coursework completed in mathematics and science, the quality of their performance, and the academic profiles of the institutions they attended.

❷ Potentiality

- Qualities and skills in STEM areas
- Academic enthusiasm and attitude
- Interpersonal skills and character

Academic Achievement + **Potentiality**



Important Notes

- ***POSTECH does NOT accept transfer applications. All applicants must apply only for first-year undergraduate admission.***
- ***Applicants may not transfer between admissions tracks during the admissions process. However, it is possible to apply for two different tracks (e.g., International Admissions I and the Global Korea Scholarship), but separate applications must be submitted, each with its own set of required documents.***
- ***Details regarding applicant eligibility assessments, reasons for not being admitted, the number of applicants, acceptance rates, and evaluation results will NOT be disclosed.***
- ***POSTECH reserves the right to revoke admission or enrollment at any stage if an applicant is found to have submitted false information or applied through fraudulent means.***
- ***Transcripts submitted at the time of application, including predicted scores (e.g., IB or GCE), are accepted. Final official transcripts, Apostilled or Consular Authenticated, and relevant official score reports must be submitted promptly upon receipt. Significant discrepancies between the submitted and final transcripts may result in revocation of admission.***

Eligibility

- Applicants holding dual nationality—if either the applicant or one of the parents holds South Korean citizenship—are not eligible to apply through the International Admissions I track.
  - * Individuals with dual citizenship must apply as South Korean nationals, in accordance with the Nationality Act of the Republic of Korea.
- Applicants of foreign nationality (with both parents also holding foreign nationality), regardless of whether they have studied in Korea or abroad, are strongly encouraged to apply via International Admissions I.
- Academic credentials such as the GED, homeschooling, online or distance learning programs, or similar alternatives are not considered equivalent to a high school diploma and do NOT meet the eligibility criteria.
- The recognition of high school graduation from overseas institutions will be based on a comprehensive review of the educational system and academic calendar of the respective country.

Application Materials & Document Requirements

- It is the applicant's sole responsibility to review all application requirements and to ensure that all required documents are accurate, complete, and submitted on time.
- All applicants must submit their (expected) graduation certificate and academic transcript with Apostille or Consular Authentication, both online and by post, within the application period.
- Successful applicants may be required to submit additional Apostille or Consular Authentication documents depending on (expected) graduation date. Please refer to Section V, "Authentication Documents & Application Fee" — "Important Information Regarding the Timing of Document Submission" for details.
- For Korean overseas schools accredited by the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Korea (교육부 인가 재외한국학교), the transcript and certificate of enrollment may be substituted with the official School Record (학교생활기록부).
- All submissions must be written in Korean or English and received within the application period. Documents written in languages other than Korean or English must be accompanied by a notarized translation in Korean or English.
- All submitted documents must match the applicant's passport information, including the English spelling of the name, date of birth, and nationality.
- Important notices (e.g., intent to enroll confirmation or document requests) will be sent via email. The provided address must remain active and be checked regularly, including the spam folder.
- When submitting hard copies, please avoid stapling documents; use a paper clip or other removable fastener instead.
- Supplementary documents or additional materials may be requested, if necessary (e.g., to verify eligibility). Failure to comply by the specified deadline may result in the application being considered incomplete.
- POSTECH does not issue individual notifications regarding the qualification or receipt status of submitted documents. Eligibility is determined only after the complete application package has been received and comprehensively reviewed.
- All submitted documents, including originals (e.g., with Apostille or Consular Authentication) and notarized copies, will NOT be returned.

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FALL 2026

Eligibility

- **Both the applicant and their parents must hold only foreign citizenship.**
  - Applicants are ineligible if they or either parent currently hold Korean nationality or dual citizenship that includes Korean nationality.
    * The applicant and both parents must have held only foreign citizenship before the applicant entered high school and must not have acquired or retained Korean nationality thereafter.
  - Applicants of Korean origin must submit official proof of renunciation of Korean nationality if they or their parent(s) previously held and have since renounced Korean nationality.
    * The applicant and both parents must have lost their Korean nationality before the applicant entered high school.
- **Applicants must have graduated or be expected to graduate from high school by August 31, 2026.**
  - Applicants must possess, or be expected to possess, a high school diploma officially recognized by the relevant educational authority in the country where the high school is located.

Requirements

Mandatory	Optional (Recommended)
Online Application Form Personal Statement **Proof of eligibility*** **Official High School Graduation Certificate*** **Official High School Transcript*** **English Language Proficiency Test Score*** Recommendation Letter Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form (high school only) Checklist for International Admissions Letter of Consent and Request	Standardized Official Test Scores* (SAT, AP, IB, ACT, GCE A-level, 高考, etc.) Supplementary Materials (Honors, Awards, Volunteer Work, Club Activities, etc.) High School Profile TOPIK Scores*

* **Documents marked with an asterisk (*) must also be submitted by post and must arrive within the application period.** English language proficiency test scores and standardized official test scores must be submitted through an official score report, which may be sent online or by post, depending on the test type.

All required documents must be uploaded as PDF files, and certain documents—the original, notarized, or authenticated copies—must be submitted by post by the application deadline. Please read the instructions carefully.

A. MANDATORY

Documents	Details
All documents must be submitted online in PDF format, either in English (recommended) or Korean, within the application period. * Refer to the *StudyinKorea* website and https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr for application details and forms.	
Online Application Form	Must be completed and submitted through the online application portal (Studyinkorea).
Personal Statement	To be submitted alongside the Application Form on the online application website. * Refer to the questions provided in the appendix.
Recommendation Letter	Only ONE recommendation letter will be considered, using the official POSTECH recommendation form. The letter should be submitted directly by the recommender no later than the application deadline. - Please ensure that the recommender's email address is entered accurately in the online application form. If available, use the recommender's official high school email address. If not available, Gmail or Yahoo addresses are recommended to avoid potential email filtering issues. The recommender should be one of the following: an academic advisor, homeroom teacher, or a math/science teacher familiar with the applicant's academic performance. * Refer to the questions provided in the appendix.

English Language Proficiency Test Score	**TOEFL, TEPS, IELTS, and TOEIC Only** • Only the following test types are accepted: TOEFL (excluding Home Edition and TOEFL Essentials), TEPS, IELTS Academic only (IELTS Indicator and General Training are not accepted), and TOEIC Listening & Reading. • There is no minimum score requirement. • Test scores must be from exams taken within two years prior to the online application deadline. **POSTECH Institution Code:** • ETS: 0329 • IELTS: Search for the institution and select 'POSTECH' as the score report recipient. • Upload a PDF copy of the test score via the online application and ensure official reports arrive by the application deadline. **[English Proficiency Test Score Exemption]** An English test score is not required if either of the following conditions is met: 1) The applicant has attended a high school where English was the primary language of instruction. 2) The applicant holds citizenship of the following countries: New Zealand, the United States, Ireland, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia. * In both cases, relevant supporting documents must be submitted, and exemption eligibility will be determined based on official documents and the applicant's educational background.
Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form (High School Only)	• High school academic history, schooling details, and a summary of the school system are required. An explanation of irregular schooling history must also be included, if applicable.
Checklist for International Admissions	• Please check the box that corresponds to the applicable admissions track.
Letter of Consent and Request (Verification of Academic Records)	• Applicants must report all high schools attended, including any attended due to transfer. • A separate "Verification of Academic Records" form must be submitted for each school.

Proof of Academic Background

* Apostille or Consular Authentication is required and must be submitted both online (PDF) and by post.
* Applicants expecting to graduate must submit additional authenticated documents upon graduation. For details, please refer to Section V, "Authentication Documents & Application Fee".

Official High School Graduation (or Expected) Certificate	• The graduation (or expected graduation) date must be clearly highlighted in YYYY/MM/DD format. • If issuance is not possible due to school policy or other official reasons, a Certificate of Enrollment or an official letter from the school stating the exact expected graduation date may be submitted instead. • Applicants graduating from high schools in China must submit a graduation expectation certificate with Apostille or Consular Authentication, and must also submit a Verification Report of China Secondary Education Qualification Certificate issued by CHSI (China Higher Education Student Information).
Official High School Transcript (All Years)	• Transcripts must be submitted for all semesters from all high schools attended. • If a semester or school year is in progress, high school transcripts submitted at the time of application, including predicted scores (e.g., IB or GCE), are accepted. Final official high school transcripts that have been Apostilled or Consular Authenticated, and relevant official score reports or certificates must be submitted promptly upon receipt. ❗ Significant discrepancies between the submitted and final academic transcripts may result in revocation of admission.

Proof of Nationality and Family Relationship

* Must be submitted both online (PDF) and by post

Proof of Nationality for Applicant and Parents	• A copy of a valid passport for the applicant and each parent is recommended.
	• If a valid passport is not available, one of the following must be submitted:
	  • A notarized copy of a national ID or certificate of nationality, or
	  • An original Certificate of Alien Registration issued by Korean Immigration Office

Proof of Nationality for Applicant and Parents	• If the applicant or a parent has acquired or renounced Korean nationality, official documents indicating the date and legal status must be submitted. (e.g., a Certificate of Family Registry clearly stating the renunciation, loss, or withdrawal of Korean nationality by the applicant or their parent(s), 국적상실사실확인증명 issued from Korean Consulate or 국적이탈사실확인증명 issued from Ministry of Justice.) * Submission receipts or declarations (국적상실 이탈 사실신고 접수증 및 신고서) are not accepted. • Dual nationals must submit documentation (passport copies or nationality certificates) for all nationalities held.
Proof of Applicant's Family Relationship	• Submit the applicant's original birth certificate showing the names of both the applicant and the parents. • For Chinese nationals, both a Notarized Certificate of Kinship (亲属关系证明公证本) — issued after July 1, 2025 — and a Notarized Household Register (居民户口簿公证本) must be submitted. • Other official documents confirming the parent-child relationship (e.g., Certificate of Family Relations, Citizenship Certificate) may be submitted in place of the applicant's original birth certificate.

B. OPTIONAL (Recommended)

1 Standardized Official Test Scores (SAT, AP, IB, ACT, GCE A-level, etc.)

- Applicants are encouraged to submit one or more of the following: official test score reports such as SAT, AP, IB, ACT, GCE A-Level, high school leaving exam results, or certificates from international academic competitions (e.g., Olympiads).
- Official test scores for SAT, AP, and IB must be submitted directly by the testing agency through score reporting.

POSTECH Institution Code:
- SAT & AP: 7228
- IB: 003694
- ACT: 8253

* Strong performance in mathematics and science is highly valued.
* In cases where top scores in different subject areas were achieved on separate test dates, multiple score reports may be submitted. The highest score in each subject category will be considered during evaluation.

2 Supplementary Materials (Honors, Awards, Volunteer Work, Club Activities, etc.)

- Applicants are encouraged to submit up to 30 one-sided pages of supplementary materials, such as honors, awards, and other recognitions received during high school.
- A list of supplementary materials should be included. To be considered valid, the list should be accompanied by relevant supporting documents or testimonials.

3 High School Profile

- Submitting an official high school profile, brochure, or introduction issued by the applicant's school or Ministry of Education is strongly recommended (up to 5 pages).
- Additional materials such as the school's official website, GPA/grading system, college acceptance statistics, or any other relevant information that may help the Admissions Committee better understand the applicant's academic environment may also be included.

4 TOPIK Scores

- Applicants may submit their TOPIK scores if applicable, and no minimum score is required.
- Test scores must be from exams taken within two years prior to the online application deadline.

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS II

FALL 2026

(재외국민과외국인전형)

Eligibility

- **Applicants who have completed their entire standard education curriculum OUTSIDE KOREA must satisfy all of the following criteria:**
  1. Completion of an education program equivalent to Korea's full elementary and secondary education (grades 1–12), entirely outside Korea.
  2. Graduates or prospective graduates of overseas high schools.

- **Applicants must have graduated or be expected to graduate from high school by August 31, 2026.**
  - A high school diploma must be obtained, or expected to be obtained, no later than August 31, 2026.

* Applicants are not eligible if they have attended international or foreign schools located in Korea, or schools not accredited by the government of the country where they are located.

Educational Completion Requirements

Applicants are generally required to complete a full 12 years of education equivalent to the Korean curriculum. However, a shortfall of up to one semester (6 months) may be accepted due to unavoidable differences in educational systems.

* *The total period of study must be at least 11 years and 6 months (23 semesters).*

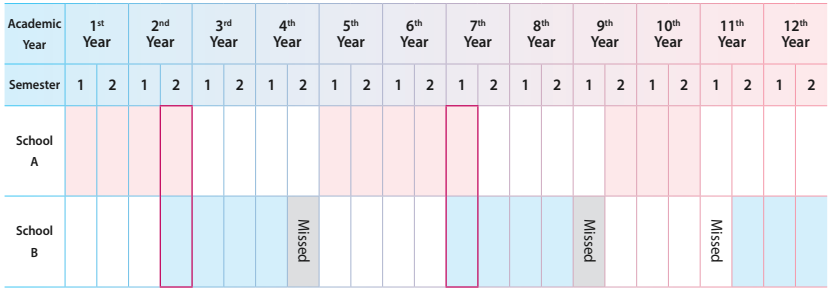
In cases where early graduation or grade skipping is allowed under the education laws or policies of the country in which the applicant completed their studies, the resulting shortfall in semesters may be exceptionally recognized.

* *Grade skipping due to school transfer is NOT accepted.*

Overlapping enrollment in the same grade or semester is generally not recognized.

- *Overlapping semesters resulting from differences in educational systems will be recognized only if enrollment was continuous (multiple overlaps allowed).*
- *One missed semester may be compensated for by one overlapping semester.*
- *In cases of two or more consecutive overlapping semesters, one missed semester may be substituted.*
- *All cases involving overlapping or missing semesters will be reviewed comprehensively during the eligibility assessment. Any indication of manipulation or abuse will result in disqualification of the relevant period.*

[Example of Recognized Overlapping or Missed Semesters Due to Differences in Academic Systems]



(Recognized as overlapping semester) (Recognized as overlapping semester) (Recognized as missed semester)

Requirements

Mandatory	Optional (Recommended)
Online Application Form Personal Statement **Proof of Eligibility*** **Certificate of Attendance / Enrollment for Elementary, Middle, and High School (All Years)*** **Official Academic Transcripts for Elementary, Middle, and High School (All Years)*** **Official High School Graduation (or Expected) Certificate*** **English Language Proficiency Test Score*** **Applicant's Entry/Exit Record and Power of Attorney*** Recommendation Letter Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form Checklist for International Admissions Letter of Consent and Request	Standardized Official Test Scores* (SAT, AP, IB, ACT, GCE A-level, 高考, etc.) Supplementary Materials (Honors, Awards, Volunteer Work, Club Activities, etc.) High School Profile School Calendar TOPIK Scores*

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Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form	• Academic records from elementary to high school must be submitted, accompanied by a summary of the school system and any relevant schooling details. Irregularities in the academic history, if any, should be addressed.
Checklist for International Admissions	• Please check the box that corresponds to the applicable admissions track.
Letter of Consent and Request (Verification of Academic Records)	• Applicants must report all schools attended from elementary through high school, including any attended due to transfer. • A separate "Verification of Academic Records" form must be submitted for each school.

Proof of Academic Background

* Apostille or Consular Authentication is required and must be submitted both online (PDF) and by post.
* Applicants expecting to graduate must submit additional authenticated documents upon graduation. For details, please refer to the Section V, "Authentication Documents & Application Fee".

Official High School Graduation (or Expected) Certificate	• The graduation (or expected graduation) date must be clearly highlighted in YYYY/MM/DD format. • If issuance is not possible due to school policy or other official reasons, a Certificate of Enrollment or an official letter from the school stating the exact expected graduation date may be submitted instead. • Applicants graduating from high schools in China must submit a graduation expectation certificate with Apostille or Consular Authentication, and must also submit a Verification Report of China Secondary Education Qualification Certificate issued by CHSI (China Higher Education Student Information).
Official Transcripts for Elementary, Middle, and High School (All Years)	• Transcripts must be submitted for all semesters from all schools attended. • If a semester or school year is in progress, high school transcripts submitted at the time of application, including predicted scores (e.g., IB or GCE), are accepted. Final official high school transcripts that have been Apostilled or Consular Authenticated, and relevant official score reports or certificates must be submitted promptly upon receipt. ❗ Significant discrepancies between the submitted and final academic transcripts may result in revocation of admission. • Highlight the academic year/semester, and write the corresponding label (e.g., G1-1, Y2-1) on the top-right corner of the first page of each semester.

Certificate of Attendance/ Enrollment for Elementary, Middle, and High School (All Years)	• Certificates must indicate the start and end dates of each semester and grade in the format of YYYY/MM/DD.
	  ◦ Include transfer-in and transfer-out dates, if applicable.
	  ◦ If the official document does not specify semester dates, attach a school calendar with the relevant dates clearly marked.
	• If an official certificate cannot be issued, submit either a transcript or an official school letter indicating the period of enrollment.
	• If the applicant has skipped grades or graduated early, such information must be stated in the "Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form," with supporting documentation.

Proof of Nationality and Entry/Exit Record

* Must be submitted both online (PDF) and by post

Copy of Applicant's Passport and Nationality Proof	• Submit a valid passport copy of the applicant. • Submit a passport issuance record issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. • Dual nationals must submit documentation (passport copies or nationality certificates) for all nationalities held. • If the applicant does not possess a passport, submit a notarized copy of nationality certificate or official ID.

Proof of Entry/Exit Record in Korea	• Submit a complete entry/exit record from birth to graduation (or expected graduation) date. The certificate must be issued within 2 months prior to the application deadline and must clearly show the 13-digit Resident Registration Number or passport number.
	• Applicants expected to graduate must submit an updated certificate including the graduation date within 15 days after enrollment.
	• If the passport number differs from that on the certificate, submit either a previous passport copy or the passport issuance record from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
	• Dual nationals or those who have acquired a foreign nationality must submit entry/exit certificates for each nationality.
	• If the applicant resided in Korea for 30 consecutive days or more during any academic semester, submit a statement of reason and supporting documents.
	• If the record begins with blank entries, submit additional documentation according to the reason:
	  ◦ If using a companion's passport, submit the companion's passport copy and their entry/exit certificate.
	  ◦ If born abroad, submit a detailed Basic Certificate.

Application for Entry/Exit Record (Power of Attorney)	• Submit the completed Application for Certificate of Fact (Certificate of Entry/Exit Records) form * Refer to the appendix: [Appendix Form No. 138-2] of the Immigration Control Act Enforcement Rule.

B. OPTIONAL (Recommended)

1 Standardized Official Test Scores (SAT, AP, IB, ACT, GCE A-level, etc.)

- Applicants are encouraged to submit one or more of the following: official test score reports such as SAT, AP, IB, ACT, GCE A-Level, high school leaving exam results, or certificates from international academic competitions (e.g., Olympiads).
- Official test scores for SAT, AP, and IB must be submitted directly by the testing agency through score reporting.

POSTECH Institution Code:
- SAT & AP: 7228
- IB: 003694
- ACT: 8253

* Strong performance in mathematics and science is highly valued.
* In cases where top scores in different subject areas were achieved on separate test dates, multiple score reports may be submitted. The highest score in each subject category will be considered during evaluation.

2 Supplementary Materials (Honors, Awards, Volunteer Work, Club Activities, etc.)

- Applicants are encouraged to submit up to 30 one-sided pages of supplementary materials, such as honors, awards, and other recognitions received during high school.
- A list of supplementary materials should be included. To be considered valid, the list should be accompanied by relevant supporting documents or testimonials.

3 High School Profile

- Submitting an official high school profile, brochure, or introduction issued by the applicant's school or Ministry of Education is strongly recommended (up to 5 pages).
- Additional materials such as the school's official website, GPA/grading system, college acceptance statistics, or any other relevant information that may help the Admissions Committee better understand the applicant's academic environment may also be included.

4 School Calendar

- Submission of the school calendar for all grades and semesters is strongly recommended.
- **However, submission of the school calendar for the relevant grade(s)/ semester(s) is mandatory in the following case:**
  1) If the applicant enrolled after the official start date of the semester
  2) If the applicant transferred in or out during the semester
  3) If the applicant stayed in Korea for 30 days or more (including weekends and holidays) during the semester
- The official start and end dates of each semester must be clearly marked on the calendar.
- If the school calendar is not in Korean or English, key dates (e.g., semester start and end dates, vacation periods) must be labeled or annotated directly on the document. A notarized translation is not required.

5 TOPIK Scores

- Applicants may submit their TOPIK scores if applicable, and no minimum score is required.
- Test scores must be from exams taken within two years prior to the online application deadline.

GLOBAL KOREA SCHOLARSHIP (GKS)

SPRING 2027

Application information regarding the GKS (Global Korea Scholarship) Program is subject to change and will be updated on POSTECH's official admissions website (https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/) after the official implementation plan is announced on StudyinKorea (www.studyinkorea.go.kr) by September.

Students applying through the university or embassy track will receive a scholarship covering airfare, tuition, living stipend, and more. For detailed information, please refer to the StudyinKorea website.

All GKS scholars are required to take 1-year Korean language course and obtain TOPIK Level 3 before starting the degree program. Applicants who submit proof of TOPIK Level 5 or higher at the time of application will be exempt from the 1-year language course.

Eligibility

Nationality

- All applicants must hold citizenship of NIIED designated countries that are invited to take part in the GKS program.
- 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.

Level of Education

- Bachelor's degree program is for applicants who graduated (or are expected to graduate) from a high school or from an associate degree program.
- Applicants who are expected to graduate (as of December 31, 2026) must first submit a certificate of expected graduation at the time of application. If such applicants pass the first round of selection, they must submit a graduation certificate (or a degree certificate) by December 31, 2026.

Grades

- Cumulative Grade Point Average (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

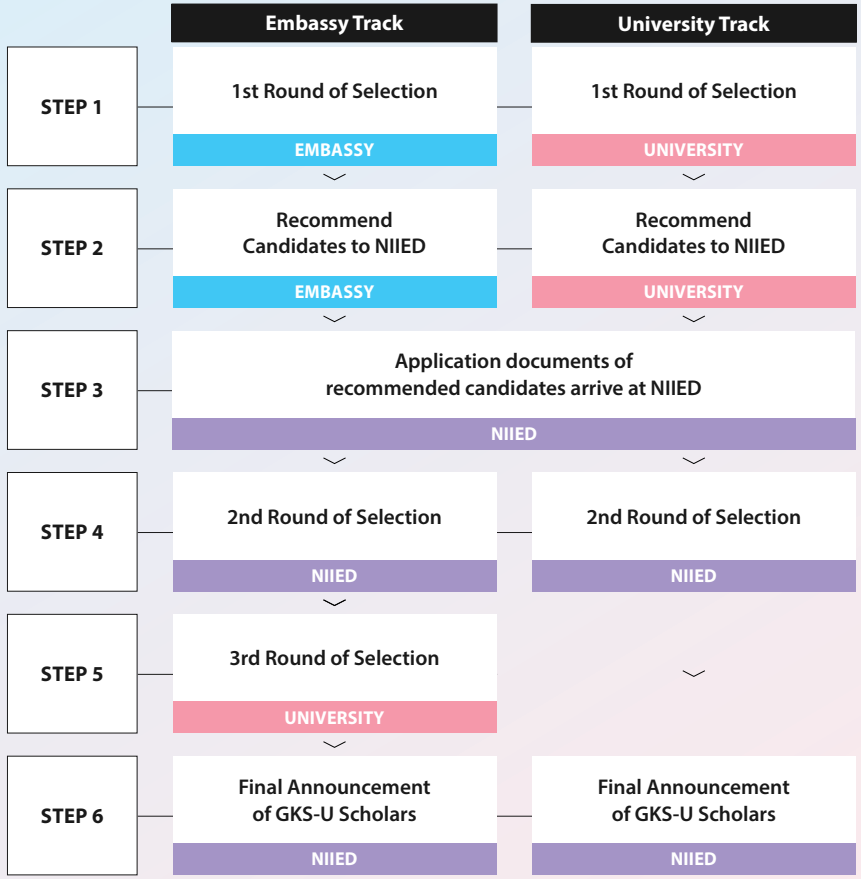
A. Selection Procedure

University Track

Application and screening period: Scheduled between September and October. Final dates will be announced on the POSTECH admissions website.

Embassy Track

Screening period: (Screening) Around November, the exact dates are subject to be determined by each Embassy.



* **University Track:** submit documents via post to POSTECH **Embassy Track:** submit to the embassy

B. Additional Materials Required by the University

List of required documents

- Required documents for relevant applicants: Any document that proves the applicant's excellence (e.g. test score of SAT, AP, A-Level, etc).
- Required documents for ALL applicants: UNLESS the applicant's mother tongue is English, all applicants must meet at least one of the following requirements, and submit the corresponding proof of eligibility (e.g. English proficiency test result).

English proficiency test scores (TOEFL, TEPS, IELTS, and TOEIC Only)

- Only the following test types are accepted: TOEFL (excluding Home Edition and TOEFL Essentials), TEPS, IELTS Academic only (IELTS Indicator and General Training are not accepted), and TOEIC Listening & Reading. Please note that there is no minimum required score.
- Test scores must be from exams taken within two years prior to the application deadline.

* Please ensure the official score reports arrive by the application deadline.

[English Proficiency Test Score Exemption]

Submission of an English proficiency test score is not required if either of the following conditions is met:

1) The applicant has attended a high school where English was the primary language of instruction.
2) The applicant holds citizenship of the following countries: New Zealand, the United States, Ireland, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia.

* In both cases, relevant supporting documents must be submitted, and exemption eligibility will be determined based on official documents and the applicant's educational background.

Submission method

- University Track: submit by post directly to POSTECH
- Embassy Track: submit to the embassy

Important notes regarding application submission

- Applicants must submit any additional required documents directly to POSTECH.
- Applicants who do not meet the stated language requirements may be deemed ineligible.
- Submitted documents must fulfill the following conditions:

1) Documents written in English or Korean

* Documents written in a language other than English or Korean must be submitted with a certified translation, along with an Apostille or Consular Authentication on either the original or the translated version.

2) Must be Apostilled or Consular Authenticated

* If applicant's country is a member of the Apostille Convention, required documents (e.g., high school (expected) graduation certificate and academic transcript) must be submitted with an Apostille; otherwise, Consular Authentication is required.



05 AUTHENTICATION ✳ DOCUMENTS & APPLICATION FEE

Apostille or Consular Authentication

All applicants must submit their (expected) graduation certificate and academic transcript with Apostille or Consular Authentication. These documents must be uploaded in PDF format AND also sent by post within the application period.

** Applicants applying through the International Admissions II track must also submit Apostilled or Consular Authenticated Certificates of Attendance/Enrollment covering elementary, middle, and high school.*

- **For documents issued in countries that are parties to the Apostille Convention, Apostille certification is required.**

[Procedure for Apostille Certification]

A. Public Documents (from Public Schools)

Public documents issued 〉 Visit an Apostille-issuing authority 〉 Apply for Apostille 〉 Document verification by the authority 〉 Apostille issued

B. Private Documents (from Private Schools)

Private documents issued 〉 Notarize documents at a Notary Office 〉 Visit an Apostille-issuing authority 〉 Apply for Apostille 〉 Document verification by the authority 〉 Apostille issued

* Notarization is required for private documents before applying for Apostille.

- For detailed information regarding the Apostille process, refer to https://www.hcch.net
- To check whether the Apostille Convention applies to a specific country, refer to the List of Hague Apostille Convention Member Countries https://www.hcch.net/en/states/hcch-members
- For details on where to obtain an Apostille, refer to the List of Competent Authorities of each member country https://www.hcch.net/en/instruments/conventions/authorities1/?cid=41

- **Documents issued in countries that are not parties to the Apostille Convention must be authenticated by the relevant consular authorities.**

- **Applicants who have completed or expect to complete their secondary education in China must submit an authenticated certificate of (expected) graduation and a Verification Report of China Secondary Education Qualification issued by CHSI (学信网).**

[Certification Institute Information]
- Institute Name: 中国高等教育学生信息网
- Homepage: http://www.chsi.com.cn/xlrz/index.jsp

- **Apostille or Consular Authentication is not required for applicants graduating from high schools in Korea.**

- **Failure to submit the required Apostilled or Consular Authenticated documents by the specified deadline—or submission of false documents—may result in the revocation of admission or enrollment, regardless of the stage in the process.**

- **As the issuance of Apostille or Consular Authentication may take several weeks, applicants are strongly advised to carefully review the instructions and prepare all required documents well in advance of the application deadline.**

Important Information Regarding the Timing of Document Submission

Following the announcement of admission results, successful applicants may be required to submit additional Apostilled or Consular Authenticated documents, depending on their (expected) graduation date. Submission deadlines are provided below.

Expected Graduation Date	Documents to Submit (with Apostille or Consular Authentication)	Submission Period
By August 2025	• Certificate of Graduation • Final Academic Transcript	Within the application period
Sep. 2025 – March 2026	• Certificate of Expected Graduation • Academic Transcript (up-to-date) → **Certificate of Graduation and Final Transcript must be submitted after graduation**	Within the application period + by April 2026 (during the enrollment confirmation period)
By August 2026	• Certificate of Expected Graduation • Academic Transcript (up-to-date) → **Certificate of Graduation and Final Transcript must be submitted after graduation**	Within the application period + Within 15 days after enrollment

* **Admission is subject to revocation**—even after enrollment—if the required Apostilled or Consular Authenticated documents are not submitted by the stated deadline, or if any submitted documents are found to be false.

Application Fee

- **Application Fee (International Admissions I & II): USD 60 or KRW 60,000**

  * Overseas Payment 60 USD / Domestic payment 60,000 KRW

  ** The GKS track does not require an application fee

> ***The application fee is non-refundable and cannot be waived.***
> * *Article 42(3) (Admission Fees) of the Enforcement Decree of the Higher Education Act.*
>
> ***Applicants must complete the payment of the application fee in order to finalize their online application. Once the payment is made, the application can no longer be modified.***
>
> ***Bank transfers may require several weeks for processing. To ensure timely payment, applicants are strongly advised to initiate the transaction at least two weeks before the application deadline if choosing this payment method.***

- **Payment can be made through StudyinKorea either of the following ways:**

  1) Credit card

  • Visa, Master, JCB, AMEX, UnionPay

  2) Bank Transfer

  • Applicants who make a bank transfer must report the transaction to the Admissions Office via e-mail (postech-iuadmission@postech.ac.kr). The e-mail should include the name of the depositor, the name of the applicant, and a copy of the transfer receipt.

  * The applicant's full name must be included in the payment reference or transfer message.

  • Any additional charges, including bank fees, must be covered by the applicant.





VI SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID

The Best Scholarships for the Best Talents

International Admissions I & II

Tuition Scholarship	All admitted students are granted a full tuition waiver starting from their first semester. The waiver is renewed each semester for up to 8 regular semesters, provided that students maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0/4.3.
[POSTECH Exclusive] **Digital Scholarship**	All freshmen will receive financial support of up to KRW 2,000,000 (approx. USD 1,440) for the purchase of digital learning devices. This support is provided once during the first semester after enrollment.
[POSTECH Exclusive] **Pathfinder Voucher**	After completing three semesters, each student will be awarded a Pathfinder Voucher worth KRW 10,000,000 (approx. USD 7,200), which can be used for personal development or self-directed activities.

International Admissions I Only

Arrival Scholarship	A one-time reimbursement of up to KRW 2,500,000 (approx. USD 1,800, covering one-way economy airfare and domestic transportation) is available to students who have not resided in Korea within the six months prior to enrollment.
Korean Proficiency Scholarship	A one-time incentive of KRW 300,000 (approx. USD 215) will be awarded during enrollment to students who achieve level 4 or higher on the TOPIK (Test of Proficiency in Korean).
Living Allowance	A monthly stipend of KRW 500,000 (approx. USD 360) will be provided throughout the academic year, including vacation periods. This amount is intended to cover expenses such as meals, national health insurance, and dormitory fees. Provision and continuation of the stipend, including during vacation periods, are subject to university policy and review.
On-Campus Work-Study Support	Eligible students may receive financial support during academic semesters by participating in on-campus work programs.

* Eligibility and conditions may vary depending on the type of admission and scholarship, and are subject to university policy and periodic review.





VII POST-ADMISSION PROCEDURES AND SUPPORT

Confirmation of Enrollment Intent and Final Registration

Following the announcement of admission results, admitted applicants must submit a Confirmation of Enrollment Form. After confirming an applicant's enrollment intent, POSTECH will provide further instructions, a list of required documents, and guidance for final registration.

* Enrollment confirmation and further instructions will be delivered via email. Please ensure the provided email address is active and checked regularly, including the spam folder.

January 2026

Result Announcement

April 2026

Submission of Reply Form to Confirm Enrollment Intention

May 2026 onward

Certificate of Admission (CoA) Issued & Visa Process Initiated

Certificate of Admission (CoA) and D-2 Student Visa Issuance

- **Foreign nationals who confirm their enrollment will receive the Certificate of Admission (CoA), Scholarship Certificate, and Certificate of Business Registration for visa purposes via email and postal mail. Applicants must independently verify the list of required documents with the Korean Embassy or Consulate in their home country and submit their D-2 visa application.**
- **The Certificate of Admission (CoA) is a mandatory document that foreign nationals intending to study in Korea must submit to the Korean embassy or consulate (or the immigration office in Korea) when applying for a D-2 visa. Original documents submitted for the issuance of the CoA will not be returned under any circumstances.**
- **Proof of financial resources may be substituted with a scholarship certificate issued by the university.**
- **Even if the Certificate of Admission (CoA) has been issued and a D-2 visa has already been granted, the university reserves the right to report to immigration authorities if any required documents—such as the final academic certificate or proof of financial resources—are not submitted or are found to be falsified. This may result in the revocation or invalidation of the visa.**
- **Visa screening authorities (embassies or immigration offices) may request additional documents or choose to waive certain requirements during the review process.**



Support for International Students

The International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) supports POSTECH's international community and promotes the globalization of the campus.

ISSS offers comprehensive assistance in various areas to help international students adjust smoothly to campus life. For inquiries related to international student support and visa issuance, please contact ISSS at

https://international.postech.ac.kr

The International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS)



FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions

For more FAQs, please visit:
https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/comm/board/7699dd106cb84b2e26748d3db5e78de6/index.do

Admissions

Q When does the International Admissions process begin?

A POSTECH will launch its first international admission track for the Fall 2026 intake. Please note that there will be no intake for Spring 2026. The application period will run from September 26, 2025, to November 3, 2025.
Starting from 2027, POSTECH plans to offer international admissions twice a year—for both Spring and Fall semesters. Detailed schedules will be announced later on the website below: https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/index.do

Q When does the GKS admission process begin?

A The application guidelines for GKS will be updated in September 2025, with the application process taking place between September and October 2025. The final results will be announced in December 2025.

Q Are both English and Korean test scores required for admission?

A Submission of an English proficiency test score is mandatory for both the International Admissions track and the GKS track. For detailed information on the required score levels, please refer to the application guide. Submission of TOPIK scores is optional for both tracks.

Q When and how are the Admission Letter and Visa issuance procedures carried out?

A The applicant who receives an admission offer should inform POSTECH Admissions of their willingness to enroll. The Certificate of Admission (CoA) will be issued shortly after, and the applicant can proceed with the visa issuance process. For detailed information on the visa issuance process, please refer to https://international.postech.ac.kr.

Campus Life & Scholarships

Q Does POSTECH offer courses in English?

A POSTECH is the first bilingual campus in Korea, and the medium of instruction is English for all majors. Starting from the 2026 academic year, 100% of courses, including basic required courses, will be provided in English.

Q When and how do students choose their major?

A All freshmen are initially enrolled in the Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies and follow our unique undecided major curriculum. Students are given the opportunity to explore 11 majors over 3 semesters and select their desired major with no limitations after the first semester of their sophomore year. A full list of available majors can be found here: https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/comm/menu/b7f8c54d6eaff431c253db1c8b9bcb45/content/index.do

Q What is the estimated annual cost of living for international students?

A Please refer to the table below for a detailed breakdown of the estimated annual cost of living.

Cost of Attendance	Annual Cost (As of 2025)	Scholarship Coverage
Travel to Pohang (airfare)	Differs by Country	100% Covered
Matriculation Fee	0	0
Tuition Fee	5,580,000KRW / (approx. USD 4,000)	100% Waived (if 3.0/4.3 is achieved)
Dormitory Fee	1,368,000KRW / (approx. USD 980)	100% Covered by Living Allowance * 500,000KRW/month (approx. USD 360)
Health Insurance	Differs by Visa Type	
Other Living Cost	Meal, Transportation, etc	

Q What types of scholarships are available for international students?

A All international freshmen are eligible for Tuition Scholarship, Digital Scholarship and Pathfinder Voucher. Living Allowance and Arrival Scholarship are also available for International Track I students. Scholarships will be automatically granted to admitted students based on their admissions track. For more information regarding scholarships and financial aids, please refer to the website below:
https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/comm/menu/e2afb97fa1b8f43c574be0dabef78f87/content/index.do

Appendix

For reference only. Actual responses must be entered in English (recommended) or Korean via the online portal during the application period: https://www.studyinkorea.go.kr/

[Personal Statement]

1. What are your future aspirations, and what steps have you taken toward achieving them? Why do you believe POSTECH is the right place to pursue your goals, and what are your academic plans during your university studies? (Maximum: 500 words)

2. Describe the STEM-related activity that has been most meaningful to you. Why was it significant, how did you engage with it, and what did you learn or gain from the experience? (Maximum: 200 words)

3. Reflect on a time when you collaborated in a learning or team environment with individuals whose ideas or backgrounds differed from your own. How did you approach the situation, and what did you take away from the experience? (Maximum: 200 words)

4. If applicable, please share any special circumstances—such as personal or family-related challenges—or additional information that would help us better understand your background, experiences, or difficulties you have overcome. (Maximum: 300 words)

For reference only. Actual responses must be submitted by the designated recommender in English (recommended) or Korean online during the application period.

[Letter of Recommendation]

TO THE APPLICANT: Be sure to inform your recommenders of the application deadline for the semester you would like to be considered for entrance into POSTECH. ONE letter of recommendation is required for each applicant and must be sent directly from the recommender.

APPLICANT Information				
Name	**Last**			
	First			
Semester which you enter:		☐ Fall 2026	**Department:**	Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies

THIS PART TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RECOMMENDER

TO RECOMMENDER: POSTECH (Pohang University of Science and Technology) has firmly established itself as Korea's leading research-intensive university since its founding in 1986, through its unwavering commitment to academic and research excellence. Each year, approximately 370 incoming students are selected from among the top 1% of high school graduates nationwide. With a deliberately small undergraduate cohort and a low student-to-faculty ratio, POSTECH provides a personalized and rigorous educational environment. All students receive full-tuition scholarships and are offered abundant opportunities for research and entrepreneurship. Through this framework, POSTECH seeks to nurture future leaders who will advance science, technology, and the betterment of humanity.

Recognized in global society, POSTECH has been ranked high in global rankings:
- Ranked 1st in the JoongAng Ilbo University Rankings (topped both the engineering and natural sciences rankings)
- Ranked 2nd in THE World's Best Small Universities Rankings 2024, following Caltech
- Ranked 9th in THE Young University Rankings 2024

RECOMMENDATION GUIDE: In writing your letter of recommendation, please take the above characteristics of POSTECH into careful consideration. This letter will be kept strictly confidential throughout the admissions process and must be submitted directly by you, the recommender.

On the following page, we ask that you provide a candid assessment of the applicant's qualifications, potential for advanced research, intellectual aptitude, analytical thinking skills, academic achievements, subject matter proficiency, and attitudes or personal qualities relevant to scholarly promise

I hereby certify that, in preparing this letter of recommendation, I have provided a fair and accurate account based solely on factual information, and I pledge never to disclose the contents of this letter to the applicant or any third party under any circumstances. I understand and agree that if any false or otherwise improper information is discovered, I may be disqualified from serving as a recommender in any future POSTECH admissions process.

Date: _____ / ____ / ____ (YYYY / MM / DD)

☐ I confirm and agree to the above statements.

PLEASE TYPE IN ENGLISH OR KOREAN

Applications written in illegible handwriting or a language other than English/Korean will NOT be considered.

1. Please evaluate the applicant's academic standing by specifying the total number of students in the reference group and checking (✓) the appropriate box below. (If evaluation is difficult, select 'Unable to Evaluate'.)

Evaluation Reference Group (e.g., entire 12th grade):

Total Number of Students in this group: (_____)

1-a. Strength and Aptitude in STEM disciplines

☐ Top 1% ☐ Top 5% ☐ Top 10% ☐ Below Top 10% ☐ Unable to Evaluate

1-b. Overall Academic Performance

☐ Top 1% ☐ Top 5% ☐ Top 10% ☐ Below Top 10% ☐ Unable to Evaluate

RECOMMENDATION

Applicant's Name	Last		First	

1. POSTECH is a research-oriented university specializing in science and technology. Please describe how the applicant has demonstrated intellectual curiosity or initiative in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), whether through the formal curriculum or in extracurricular contexts.

We especially welcome concrete examples that illustrate the applicant's independent or creative engagement with academic subjects, either within regular classes or through self-directed learning and activities beyond the classroom.

2. What distinctive strengths does the applicant possess, such as academic excellence, creativity, leadership, a diligent and self-directed approach to learning, notable personal characteristics, and the ability to engage effectively in academic and social settings?

Please elaborate on the applicant's distinctive strengths, such as academic excellence, creativity, leadership, diligence, self-motivation, integrity, and the ability to collaborate and communicate effectively within a community.

3. To help us better understand the applicant's academic background, please provide relevant information about your school.

This may include your school's academic environment, competitiveness, student composition, STEM-related curriculum, learning resources, or any other contextual factors that may affect the applicant's academic preparation.

Optional

4. If there are any special circumstances we should take into account during the admissions process, we encourage you to share them. (Treated confidentially)

These may include—but are not limited to—disciplinary actions (e.g., incidents related to academic misconduct, behavioral issues, or school violence), as well as personal or family-related challenges that may have influenced the applicant's academic or extracurricular performance.

Recommender's Name:	(Signature)	Date:	YYYY / MM / DD

For reference only. Actual responses must be entered in English (recommended) or Korean during the application period:
https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/index.do

[Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form]

TO THE APPLICANT: Please complete this form by providing detailed information about the applicant's academic background, schooling context, and any irregularities in their educational history.
Additionally, please include a list of supplementary materials (e.g., honors, awards, volunteer work, club activities). Rows may be added to each section of the table, if necessary.

1. Academic History and Schooling Details

Please provide a complete record of your formal schooling from elementary to high school in chronological order. This information will be used to determine eligibility for application based on the required duration of education. Applicants with International Admission I are only required to fill in their high school records.

No.	School Name	Country	City	School Level (e.g., Elementary, Middle, High)	Total Years in System	Grade & Semester Attended	Attendance Period (YYYY / MM / DD ~ YYYY / MM / DD)

2. Summary of School System

Country	Description of School System (e.g., 6-3-3 system: Elementary 6 years, Middle 3 years, High 3 years)

3. Explanation of Irregular Schooling History

If there are any irregularities in your academic timeline, please describe them below. These may include:

- repeating or skipping grades
- overlapping enrollment in the same grade
- long-term leave of absence
- semester(s) not attended or omitted in records
- change in curriculum or academic system
- any other anomalies affecting your enrollment period

Affected Grade / Semester	Explanation / Reason	Country	Name of School

4. Supplementary Materials List
(Honors, Awards, Volunteer Work, Club Activities, etc.)

A maximum of 30 one-sided pages may be submitted in total. Please clearly indicate the corresponding number at the top-right corner of each supporting document. Attach only relevant supporting materials. Documents that are not properly numbered or exceed the page limit may not be reviewed.
Each activity description must be limited to 30 English words or 50 Korean words.

No.	Activity Field	Title of Activity / Award	Activity Period (YYYY / MM / DD ~ YYYY / MM / DD)	Description of Activity (max. 30 words)	Organizing Institution

I hereby certify that the information provided above is true and correct. I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in the revocation of admission, even after enrollment.

☐ I Agree

Date: _____ / ____ / ____ (YYYY / MM / DD) Applicant Name: _____ (Signature)

For reference only. Actual responses must be entered in English (recommended) or Korean during the application period:
https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/index.do

[Letter of Consent and Request (Verification of Academic Records)]

TO THE APPLICANT: This form is required for all applicants (Korean and international) and must be completed in English (recommended) or Korean. Please do not fill in the section titled "Registrar's Verification (To be completed by the registrar or school officer)."
International Admissions I applicants must report all high schools attended.
International Admissions II applicants must report all schools attended from elementary through high school.

APPLICANT Information				
Name	**Last**			
	First			
Semester which you enter:		☐ Fall 2026	**Department:**	Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies

RELEASE OF ACADEMIC INFORMATION

In connection with my application for admission to the undergraduate programs of Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH), I hereby authorize POSTECH and its representatives to contact relevant institutions, administrators, or other individuals to verify and obtain information regarding my academic credentials and educational background.
I release from all liability any individuals or organizations who, in good faith and without malice, provide information relevant to the verification of my academic records and qualifications.
I further consent to the release of such information by the aforementioned individuals or institutions to POSTECH or any other relevant entity involved in the admissions process. I waive any right to hold liable any party participating in the exchange of such information.

Date: _____ / ____ / ____ (YYYY / MM / DD)

Name of Applicant: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Signature: _____

VERIFICATION OF ACADEMIC RECORDS

* This form must be completed and submitted for each school attended.

Student's Education Record (To be completed by the applicant)

Full Name	
Date of Birth (YYYY / MM / DD)	
Sex (Male / Female)	
Student ID (if applicable)	
Name of School (Campus)	
School Telephone Number	
School Address	
Period of Enrollment (YYYY / MM / DD ~ YYYY / MM / DD)	
Date of Graduation ☐ / Transfer ☐ (YYYY / MM / DD)	

Registrar's Verification (To be completed by the registrar or school officer)

Please verify the student information above, complete the section below, and return this form to the POSTECH Office of Admissions by email, fax, or another available method.

Verification Checklist		
Item	**Status**	**Remarks**
1. Basic Information	☐ Correct ☐ Incorrect	
2. Period of Enrollment	☐ Correct ☐ Incorrect	
3. Graduation / Transfer Date	☐ Correct ☐ Incorrect	
4. Details in Transcript(s) [For high school records only]	☐ Correct ☐ Incorrect	

Certification by Registrar or School Official	
Name	
Position	
School Name	
School Address	
Telephone	
Fax	
Email	
Comments (if any)	

Date: _____ / ____ / ____ (YYYY / MM / DD) **Signature: _____**

For reference by International Admissions II applicants. Official documents can be accessed and downloaded at https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/index.do.

■ 출입국관리법 시행규칙 [별지 제138호의2서식] <개정 2025. 5. 30.> (앞쪽)

사실증명 발급 · 열람 신청서

APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF / ACCESS TO CERTIFICATE OF FACT

(약칭: 사실증명신청서, 약호: A322)

※ 본인이 직접 증명발급을 신청하는 경우 정부24(www.gov.kr)에서 무료로 발급받을 수 있으며, 방문 신청 시에는 신청서를 작성하지 않고 신분증만 제시하면 됩니다.

Free online application available at the government website (www.gov.kr) for the issuance of your own Certificate of Fact. Those visiting an immigration office will be required to present only their ID cards without having to complete this form.

※ 뒤쪽의 유의사항을 참고하여 작성하기 바랍니다.(Please fill out this form by referring to the notes on the back page.)

접수번호 (Receipt No.)	접수일 (Date of Receipt)	발급일 (Date of Issuance)	처리기간 (Processing Period)	즉시 (Immediately)

발급대상자 (위임한 사람) **Principal** (Authorizing Person)	**성명** (Full Name)	**연락처** (Phone No.)
	주민등록번호(외국인등록번호 또는 국내거소신고번호) Resident Registration No.(Foreign Resident Registration No. or Overseas Korean Resident No.)	

증명종류 Type of Certificate	[ ] 출입국에 관한 사실증명 ( )통 Certificate of Fact on Entry and Departure ( ) copy(ies) [ ] 외국인등록 사실증명 ( )통 Certificate of Fact on Foreign Resident Registration ( ) copy(ies) [ ] 외국인등록 열람 ( )건 Access to Foreign Resident Registration ( ) time(s)
출입국에 관한 사실증명의 영문 성명 병기 신청 여부(국민만 해당) * This field is only for Korean citizens.	[ ] 포함 [ ] 미포함
외국인등록 사실증명의 경우, 과거 등록번호(주민등록번호 · 외국인 등록번호 · 국내거소신고번호), 성명, 체류지 및 체류자격 변경 이력 포함 여부, 체류지 영문표기 여부 Previous registration number (Resident registration number, Foreign resident registration number or Overseas Korean Resident number), name, address or status of sojourn, address in English to be shown on the Certificate of Fact on Foreign Resident Registration	과거 등록번호 Previous Registration Number [ ] 포함 Yes [ ] 미포함 No 과거 성명 변경 사항 Previous Name [ ] 포함 Yes [ ] 미포함 No 과거 체류지 변동 사항 Previous Address [ ] 포함 Yes [ ] 미포함 No 과거 체류자격 변동 사항 Previous Status of Sojourn [ ] 포함 Yes [ ] 미포함 No 체류지 영문표기 여부 Address in English [ ] 포함 Yes [ ] 미포함 No

출입국 조회기간 (Reference Period for Entry and Departure Record)
. . . 부터(from) . . . 까지(to)

용도 (Purpose) 대학교 제출용

신청인 (위임받은 사람)	**성명** (Full Name)	**생년월일** (Date of Birth)
	연락처 (Phone No.)	**발급대상자와의 관계** (Relationship to Principal) 재외국민과외국인전형 지원자 및 대학 전형 담당자

「출입국관리법」 제88조 및 같은 법 시행규칙 제75조에 따라 위와 같이 사실증명의 발급 · 열람을 신청합니다.

I hereby apply for the issuance of / access to Certificate of Fact in accordance with Article 88 of the Immigration Act and Article 75 of the Enforcement Rule of the Immigration Act.

년(Year) 월(Month) 일(Day)

신청인 (Name of Applicant) (서명 또는 인)(Signature or Seal)

○○출입국 · 외국인청(사무소 · 출장소)장 / ○○시장 · 군수 · 구청장 또는 읍 · 면 · 동의 장 / 재외공관장 귀하

To the Chief of ○○ Immigration Office(Branch Office) / the Head of ○○ Si · Gun · Gu or Eup · Myeon · Dong / the Head of Overseas Diplomatic Mission.

위 임 장 (Power of Attorney)

위 발급대상자(위임한 사람)는 위와 같은 사실증명의 발급 · 열람 신청 및 수령에 관한 사항을 위 신청인(위임받은 사람)에게 위임합니다.

I, the above Principal (authorizing person), hereby authorize the above applicant (authorized person) to apply for and receive the issuance of / access to the Certificate of Fact.

년(Year) 월(Month) 일(Day)

발급 · 열람 대상자(위임한 사람)
Name of Principal(Authorizing Person) (서명 또는 인)
(Signature or Seal)

210㎜ × 297㎜ [백상지(80 g/㎡) 또는 중질지(80 g/㎡)]

For reference only. Official documents can be accessed and downloaded at https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr/user/index.do.

[Checklist for International Admissions]

TO THE APPLICANT: Please DO NOT STAPLE hard copy documents. Use paper clips or other removable fasteners instead.

APPLICANT Information				
Name	**Last**			
	First			
Semester which you enter:		☐ Fall 2026	**Department:**	Mueunjae School of Undergraduate Studies

* Please tick the appropriate box (√). All documents, including this checklist, must be submitted in PDF format via the StudyinKorea online application portal; documents marked with an asterisk (*) must also be sent by post and received within the application period.

Application Documents	Submission(Y / N)	
	Yes	No
International Admissions I		
I. Required Documents		
1. Personal Statement		
2. Official High School Diploma or Certificate of (Expected) Graduation with Apostille or Consular Authentication*		
3. Official High School Transcript(s) with Apostille or Consular Authentication*		
4. Copies of passports or national ID cards of the applicant and both parents*		
5. Proof of Family Relationship (e.g., birth certificate)*		
6. Recommendation Letter		
7. Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form		
8. Score Report of English Language Proficiency Test Score* ☐ Request for Exemption with Supporting Documents		
9. Letter of Consent and Request (verification of academic records)		
10. [Only If Applicable] For foreigners residing in Korea: Alien Registration Cards of the applicant and both parents*		
11. [Only If Applicable] For applicants of Korean ethnicity: – Certificate of Family Relationship* – Certificate of Renunciation of Korean Citizenship*		
II. Optional Documents		
12. Standardized Test Scores (must be sent directly from the testing agency)* ☐ SAT ☐ AP ☐ IB ☐ ACT ☐ A-Level * Score reporting is mandatory if the applicant's high school curriculum follows IB, A-Level, etc.		
13. Academic Honors, Awards, or Prizes		
14. High School Profile		
15. Extracurricular, Club, or Volunteer Activities		
III. Other Documents * Additional materials not listed above (e.g., university-related documents) should be submitted when relevant and necessary. These documents will be reviewed at the university's discretion.		

Application Documents	Submission(Y / N)	
	Yes	No
International Admissions II		
I. Required Documents		
1. Personal Statement		
2. Official High School Diploma or Certificate of (Expected) Graduation with Apostille or Consular Authentication*		
3. Official Transcript(s) from Elementary, Middle, and High Schools (All Years) with Apostille or Consular Authentication*		
4. Certificate of Attendance/Enrollment for Elementary, Middle, and High Schools (All Years) with Apostille or Consular Authentication*		
5. Copies of passports or national ID cards of the applicant*		
6. Recommendation Letter		
7. Academic History and Enrollment Verification Form		
8. Letter of Consent and Request (verification of academic records)		
9. Score Report of English Language Proficiency Test Score* ☐ Request for Exemption with Supporting Documents		
10. Entry and Exit Records for the applicant*		
11. Power of Attorney for Requesting Entry/Exit Records*		
II. Optional Documents		
12. Standardized Test Scores (must be sent directly from the testing agency)* ☐ SAT ☐ AP ☐ IB ☐ ACT ☐ A-Level * Score reporting is mandatory if the applicant's high school curriculum follows IB, A-Level, etc.		
13. Academic Honors, Awards, or Prizes		
14. School Calendar		
15. High School Profile		
16. Extracurricular, Club, or Volunteer Activities		
17. Passport Issuance Record*		
III. Other Documents * Additional materials not listed above (e.g., university-related documents) should be submitted only if relevant and necessary. These documents will be reviewed at the university's discretion.		

[NOTES]

- Applicants must send all required documents by post to the Admissions Office by the application deadline. Any additional materials requested (e.g., for eligibility verification) must be submitted by the specified deadline. Failure to comply may result in the application being deemed incomplete or the admission offer being rescinded.

- POSTECH reserves the right to revoke an offer of admission or terminate a student's registration, should it be discovered later that: a false statement has been made; a false document has been provided; documentation has been altered or if there has been an omission of significant information.

- All submissions must be written in Korean or English and received within the application period. Documents written in languages other than Korean or English must be accompanied by a notarized translation in Korean or English.

- Applicants who need to clarify any eligibility-related matters must submit an explanatory statement (in Korean or English) using the designated form (https://adm-iu.postech.ac.kr), along with supporting documents, during the application period.



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