The Korea Institute promotes teaching, study and research on Korea and brings together faculty, students, distinguished scholars, and visitors to create a leading Korean Studies community at Harvard University.
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INTRODUCTION

Harvard University is one of the world’s leading centers for the study of Korea, and through the Korea Institute, Harvard offers an array of resources for undergraduate students to study Korea. On campus, students take courses on Korea and choose from extracurricular activities on Korea. In Korea, students may study, work, and conduct research, by participating in Institute programs including:

- Study abroad programs
- Summer internships
- Thesis research
- Korean language

This brochure highlights opportunities for undergraduates to study Korea, presents the programs and activities in Korea that students will encounter along their way at Harvard and serves as a guide to Korea resources for Harvard College students. The sooner students explore these many opportunities, the more chances they will have to benefit from them. Enjoy!
“I applied to the KI Summer Language Study Grant to Ewha Womans University with the hope of improving my Korean language skills. I would describe my summer in Korea to be the most exciting and culture-rich experience I’ve had during my time at Harvard. The chance to meet and befriend Korean students is a large part of what made the immersion into a completely different culture not only easier but a hundred times more enjoyable. In coming to Korea, I was ready to be blown away by the food, the architecture and I was excited to meet new people and form new friendships but I did not expect to be affected so profoundly by history, of which I seemed to learn so much in such a short period of time.

Niamh Mulholland ‘19. KI Undergraduate Summer Language Study Grant to Ewha University, Summer 2016
KOREAN STUDIES AT HARVARD

Harvard offers a range of courses on Korea, including Korean history, literature, anthropology, sociology, and Korean language classes at all levels.

Did you know?
Prof. Carter Eckert’s very popular course, The Two Koreas, is offered every other year in the spring semester. Plan Ahead!

Interested students can focus their interests on a concentration or secondary concentration in East Asian Studies (EAS). Others may elect to supplement their studies in another concentration with courses on Korea that interest them. Some students take Korean language classes, to earn a language citation, while others simply want to acquire the language. Undergraduate students from all concentrations can take a course in Korea, such as through the Harvard Summer School in Korea program.

The greatest research resource at Harvard is the library collection, which contains more than 18 million volumes, making it the largest academic library in the world. The Korean Collection of the Harvard-Yenching Library, established in 1951, is regarded as the premier research collection for Korean studies in the U.S. At present, the collection consists of more than
200,000 volumes of monographs, 1200 periodicals, and more than 8,500 reels of microfilm. It is the primary collector at Harvard of Korean-language newspapers, most of which are on microfilm. The Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations (EALC), faculty offices, and classrooms are located in the same building as the Harvard-Yenching Library (2 Divinity Avenue) for very convenient access.

The Korea Institute and Asia-related centers are located in CGIS South and between them, a wide variety of seminars featuring leading scholars and experts in a range of fields related to Korea are offered. There are many ways for Harvard College students to deepen their exposure to Korea, or just to stay in touch with Korea. With topics including Korean film, literature, history, society and politics, the KI and Asia-related centers bring speakers to Harvard from all over world for seminars, workshops and conferences, film screenings, art exhibits, and more.

For a current and always up-to-date listing of Korea Institute events, See: https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/calendar/upcoming
SUMMER PROGRAMS IN KOREA
Korea is a popular destination for Harvard undergraduates. Students are encouraged to participate in one of the many in-country summer programs offered or facilitated by the Korea Institute, including the Harvard Summer School in Korea program, internships, Korean language programs, research, or to participate in a summer study abroad program at a Korean university.

Harvard Summer School-Korea Program (Study Abroad)
http://www.summer.harvard.edu/study-abroad/seoul-south-korea
and https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/for-students

The Harvard Summer School, in partnership with the Korea Institute, offers courses on Korea for credit. The program runs for 8 weeks from mid-late June through mid-August in exciting and dynamic Seoul. Courses are taught by Harvard faculty in English. Students take one content course and one Korean language course. Harvard students are joined by Korean university students in the classroom. The Program is housed at a local Korean university and students stay in shared rooms in a dormitory.

Harvard College Korea Summer Internship Program
As interns, students learn about Korean culture while living and working in Seoul. Since 2005, the Program has placed interns in the fields of government, media/journalism, and corporate business. Undergraduate students from all
years of study and all concentrations will be considered. Preference will be given to returning students to Harvard. There are internships which require varying degrees of Korean language ability, from no previous Korean language ability to advanced/fluent proficiency. However, some ability with Korean is always preferred.

This successful 8 week internship program takes place between late June and mid-August. The application deadline is in early February via CARAT (the online application system). Interns will be selected by application, and interviews are required for this Program. If selected, the funding award to KI Interns is $3,500 from the Korea Institute. Interns arrange and pay for their own airfare and living expenses. Housing is provided in a double-occupancy dormitory room, and the dorm cost is covered by the Program.

Please see the following link for more information: https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/harvard-college-korea-summer-internship-program-undergraduate

Korea Institute Undergraduate Summer Research Travel Grants
The KI provides grants to undergraduate students for conducting research in Korea on Korea-related topics. Students seeking to apply should have a confirmed faculty advisor for their research topic. Using the online application system, CARAT, the application deadline is usually in mid-February. https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/korea-institute-summer-research-travel-grants-undergraduate

Summer Study Abroad at Korean Universities/Tuition Waivers
For Harvard students at any level of Korean language training who would like an international experience in a dynamic culture and society, there are a number of summer study abroad programs at Korean universities such as Seoul National University, Yonsei University, Ewha University, KAIST, Korea University, Sogang University, and Hanyang University, to name a few. All offer courses in English, and Korean language instruction is given at all levels during the summer months. The Korea Institute offers Scholarships/Tuition Waivers to some of these programs. For more information on these opportunities, please see the KI webpage: https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/for-students
“The HSS-Korea Program really surpassed my expectations and to say that it was one of the most enjoyable summers of my life would not be an overstatement. The fact that I was supported to go to another foreign country and explore the world even more is something that I am truly grateful for. It has been a lifechanging experience.”

Kai Potter ’19. Harvard Summer School in Korea, Summer 2016

Undergraduate Grants, Scholarships and Fellowships for Study and Work in Korea

The Korea Institute works closely with the Office of Career Services (OCS) concerning Harvard undergraduate summer program funding. When applying for summer funding, please familiarize yourself with all of the possible funding sources available to Harvard undergraduates.

- Review OCS (Office of Career Services) Summer Funding https://ocs.fas.harvard.edu/summer-funding
- The Harvard Funding Sources Database https://found.fas.harvard.edu/
- Familiarize yourself with & utilize CARAT, an online application system to both research and apply for project funding, dissertation research support, internships, fellowships, public service and opportunities https://apps2.registrar.fas.harvard.edu/carat/
- Make an appointment with staff at the Korea Institute, to discuss funding options for your study abroad/ summer internship plans in Korea. cglover@fas.harvard.edu

Interested in Korean language? Here are some options:

- Harvard Summer School in Korea (Harvard credit, any level, 8 weeks)
- Korean Universities such as Ewha, SNU, Yonsei, etc. (any level, shorter length programs)
- Inter-University Consortium for Korean Language Study (advanced/academic level)

Students interested in exploring Korean language study in Korea should talk with Dr. Hi-Sun Kim, Director of the Harvard Korean Language Program
KOREA INSTITUTE SUMMER FUNDING

Korea Institute Grants for Harvard Summer School-Korea
The Korea Institute offers limited scholarships to Harvard undergraduates who need financial assistance to attend the Harvard Summer School-Korea Program. Students must also apply to OCS (Office of Career Services) for summer funding for Harvard Summer School Abroad; Korea Institute summer experience in Korea grants are a secondary funding resource after OCS summer grants. Students on financial aid are given priority, and awards are made in close consultation with OCS. Award amounts vary.

Please see: https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/korea-institute-scholarships-harvard-summer-school-korea-program-undergraduate

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The internship program takes place between late June and mid-August, 8-weeks. The application deadline is usually in early February on CARAT (the online application system). Interns are selected by application and interview for this Program. If selected, the funding award to KI Interns is $3,500 from the Korea Institute. Interns arrange and pay for their own airfare and living expenses. Housing is in a shared dormitory room and dorm costs are covered by the Program.

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**Korea Institute Undergraduate Summer Research Travel Grants**

These grants are awarded to Harvard undergraduates in the humanities and social sciences to conduct research and/or field work in Korea. The research project must be closely advised and sponsored by a Harvard faculty member. Grants usually cover travel expenses but larger grants may be awarded to cover other expenses based on a review of the student's detailed budget.  
https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/korea-institute-summer-research-travel-grants-undergraduate

**Summer Study Abroad via a Tuition Waiver/Scholarship at Various Universities in Korea**

The Korea Institute offers opportunities for Harvard College students to attend universities in Korea during the summer at a reduced or waived tuition rate. Tuition is reduced or waived by these host Korean universities and the Korea Institute provides economy class, round trip airfare. The student is typically responsible only for dorm costs and living expenses. For more information on these opportunities, please see the KI webpage: https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/for-students. Apply directly to the Korea Institute via the CARAT (online application system). Application deadline is in early February.

**Other Harvard Summer Funding Sources**

The Office of Career Services (OCS) offers summer funding. Please apply both to OCS and to the Korea Institute for funding.  
https://ocs.fas.harvard.edu/summer-funding

**Harvard College Funding Database for International Experience**

https://found.fas.harvard.edu/

This is the most extensive searchable database at Harvard for study abroad
funding sources. Undergraduates and recent graduates may explore funding opportunities that are offered by Harvard and Harvard-approved outside sources including study abroad, language study, internships, research, community service and volunteer work, teaching abroad, and purposeful travel.

Weissman International Internship Program Grant
https://ocs.fas.harvard.edu/weissman-international-internship-program-grant
The Weissman Program provides financial support for overseas internships arranged and proposed to the selection committee by Harvard sophomores and juniors. Proposed internships may be in either the profit or nonprofit sectors, lasting a minimum of eight weeks, ordinarily during the summer.

Korea Institute Funding for Student Groups and Campus Activities
Recognizing that there are activities outside the classroom by which students intersect with Korea, on campus, and in Korea, the Institute supports the academic activities of Harvard undergraduate student groups on campus relating to Korean studies. Please note that the Korea Institute does not support cultural, nor non-academic events. Please submit a proposal with detailed budget using the Asia-related centers common application form. Contact Jorge Espada, Student Programs Coordinator, Asia Center, jorge.espada@harvard.edu
KOREAN STUDIES FACULTY
Faculty whose primary teaching and research focus is Korea:

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Carter Eckert
East Asian Languages and Civilizations (EALC)
Yoon Se Young Professor of Korean History

Nicholas Harkness
John L. Loeb Associate Professor of the Social Sciences, Social Anthropology Program

Sun Joo Kim
East Asian Languages and Civilizations (EALC)
Harvard-Yenching Professor of Korean History; Director, Korea Institute

David McCann
East Asian Languages and Civilizations (EALC)
Korea Foundation Professor Emeritus of Korean Literature

Si Nae Park
Assistant Professor of East Asian Languages and Civilizations (EALC)
RESOURCES AT HARVARD

Korea Institute Website
https://korea.fas.harvard.edu/

Korea Institute Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/ki.harvard/

Korea Institute Vimeo Channel
https://vimeo.com/channels/koreainstitute

Asia Center
https://asiacenter.harvard.edu/

CARAT
An online application system to both research and apply for project funding, research support, internships, fellowships, public service and other opportunities
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Office of Career Services Summer Funding
https://ocs.fas.harvard.edu/summer-funding
Or email:
ocs_summerfunding@fas.harvard.edu
“Through the generosity of the Korea Institute Grant to attend the HSS-Korea Program, I was able to completely immerse myself in a rich culture and further develop skills that I believe will be critical in my future career. Most importantly, this program has allowed me to develop a deeper understanding of the complexity of all cultures and has impressed upon me the importance of respecting the many diverse perspectives around the world.”

Elaine Dong ’17. Harvard Summer School in Korea, Summer 2016