



2026

**Memorable experience with
K-Wave at the center of Seoul**

Dongguk



International

Summer

Discover Korean culture and society through lectures, cultural excursions with Dongguk.

School

Learn, travel, and make memories that go beyond the classroom

More Than Classes –
It's a Journey Through
Dongguk!

Dongguk International Summer School



ABOUT DONGGUK UNIVERSITY

Dongguk University is located in the heart of Seoul, the capital city of South Korea. Dongguk's campus, just below Seoul Tower is centrally located yet surrounded by a natural and peaceful setting. This prime location provides international students with the advantage of diverse cultural experiences. Over the past 120 years since its foundation, Dongguk University has been active in religious, political, social and cultural fields. In particular, it is considered to be in the highest level in Korea in the field of study of Buddhism, Criminal Justice and Film/Digital Media.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Korean and International students will be able to earn credits during the summer vacation learning about Korean Media, Culture, Business, Humanities and Social Sciences which are the study fields that Dongguk University is renowned for. Also, this program will be enriched with a special study tour to learn historical & social backgrounds of Korea beyond the boundary of the classroom.

WHY 2026 DISS?



BEST LOCATION



THEMED COURSE



FUN & RICH CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

IMPORTANT DATES

	Dates	Remark
APPLICATION DEADLINE	May 22, 2026	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE	May 29, 2026	Early-Bird Deadline: March 27, 2026
PROGRAM ORIENTATION	June 22, 2026	
CLASS BEGIN/END	- Session 1 : June 22 ~ July 3, 2026 - Session 2 : July 6 ~ July 17, 2026	
SPECIAL LECTURE	June 26, July 10, 2026	
FAREWELL PARTY	July 17, 2026	

* Schedule is subject to change.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Session	Time	Course Title	Area
SESSION 1 (June 22 ~ July 3)	09:00-12:30	Korean Language and Culture (Basic)	K-Language & Culture
		Korean Cinema Plus: Remakes, Revenge, Rebellion	Film & Media
		K-Brand Communication Strategy	K-Wave & Marketing
		Buddhism and Buddhist Practice	Buddhism
	14:30-18:00	Comparative Criminal Justice : Theoretical Perspectives	Criminal Justice
		Korean Language and Culture (Intermediate)	K-Language & Culture
		Hallyu - Korean Popular Culture and Digital Technologies	K-Wave (Hallyu)
		Lead Better: Leadership Skills Workshop in 1:1 Management	Business & Communication
SESSION 2 (July 6 ~ 17)	09:00-12:30	Korean Dystopian Content: From Parasite to Squid Game	Film & Media
		Korean Language and Culture (Basic)	K-Language & Culture
		Korean Popular Culture; Society & Media	K-Wave (Film & Media)
		Music of Korea – From Traditional Music to K-pop	
	14:30-18:00	Comparative Criminal Justice : System and Field	Criminal Justice
		Korean Language and Culture (Intermediate)	K-Language & Culture
		Nature-Inspired Engineering: Designs from the Natural World	Engineering
		Comparative Studies on World Cinema	Film & Media
Cultivating Healthy Mind and Body with Meditation	Buddhism & Meditation		

* Courses are subject to change.

* Applicants are responsible for confirming credit transfer availability with their home university advisors.

APPLICATION AND FEES

Application opens from January 5, 2026. All details will be announced on our website(Link)

	Price	Remark
Application Fee	KRW 100,000	To be charged only once
Tuition Fee	KRW 1,200,000/course	3 credits
Cultural Activity Fee	KRW 200,000/session	Optional
Insurance Fee	KRW 15,000	Mandatory

DN-CAMPUS STUDENT RESIDENCE

	Check-in / Check-out	Price
Session 1	June 20, 2026 / July 4, 2026	KRW 385,000
Session 2	July 5, 2026 / July 18, 2026	KRW 364,000
Session 1, 2	June 20, 2026 / July 18, 2026	KRW 679,000



* Limited availability: first come, first served for students from partner universities.

* Twin room (2 separate beds, 1 shared bathroom).

* Extensions beyond the designated stay period are not allowed.

* Submission of TB test result (Negative) and an MMR vaccine certificate is required in advance.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Activities	
Session 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NANTA Performance ▪ Watching Baseball Game ▪ K-pop dance Experience ▪ HanRiver Cruise Ship
Session 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lotte World Tour ▪ Taekwondo Experience ▪ Traditional Market Tour ▪ Temple Culture Experience

* The activities mentioned above may be subject to change based on circumstances.



SUMMER BUDDIES

Interact with summer buddies! You can experience Korea's unique culture by taking various day trips with Dongguk Summer Buddies. Apart from the activities, the buddies will assist you to adapt to life in Seoul!





Featured Lecturer – A World-Leading Expert in K-Wave (Hallyu)

Offering the course
'Hallyu - Korean Popular Culture and Digital Technologies' in Session 1

by Prof. Dal Yong Jin Distinguished Professor, Simon Fraser University
 - A World-leading Expert in the field of K-Wave

- Ph. D., Program at the Institute of Communications Research University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois.
- Author of New Korean Wave: Transnational Cultural Power in the Age of Social Media, introducing the concept of Hallyu 2.0.
- Leading scholar of the Korean Wave (Hallyu), focusing on its global expansion through digital platforms and social media.
- Director/researcher at SFU's Transnational Culture and Digital Technology Lab, influencing global scholarship on K-Wave.



New Course Highlight – Engineering

The Course
'Nature-Inspired Engineering : Designs from the Natural World' in Session 2

by Prof. Mohamed Torbati from University of Southampton

- This course introduces both engineering and non-engineering students to the fascinating world of nature-inspired engineering, exploring how innovations in various engineering disciplines have been shaped by observing and emulating biological solutions to complex problems.
- Students will gain a broad appreciation of creativity in engineering and learn fundamental design concepts while engaging with practical examples and interactive discussions relevant to everyday life.



Special Lectures

DISS provides a one-hour special lecture for each session to all participants, exploring how AI and innovation are transforming cultural production and driving the global rise of K-pop, offering insights into the forces shaping the Korean Wave today.



Special Lecture for Session 1

AI, Cultural Production, and the Korean Wave

by Prof. Dal Yong Jin,
 Distinguished Professor, SFU

- Leading scholar of the Korean Wave (Hallyu), focusing on its global expansion through digital platforms and social media.
- Author of New Korean Wave: Transnational Cultural Power in the Age of Social Media, introducing the concept of Hallyu 2.0.



Special Lecture for Session 2

The Future of Contents offered by AI

Mr. Minguen Choi,
 MBC TV Producer

- M.A., Screen Drama Direction, Goldsmiths, University of London
- M.F.A., Television Production, Brooklyn College, CUNY
- Recipient of awards at various international film festivals, including the TFC International Film Festival, Vienna International Film Festival, and Kiez Berlin Film Festival.
- Produced a wide range of television programs at MBC, one of Korea's major broadcasting networks.

