

**2023**

**SUNGKYUN HANGEUL ESSAY CONTEST GUIDE**

## LOCAL CONTEST

## PARTICIPANT GUIDE

**Hosting Regions:**                      **Total of 7 areas**

- ① South Korea      ② China      ③ Northeast Asia · Oceania      ④ Southeast Asia  
⑤ Central Asia · Russia      ⑥ Europe      ⑦ North America · Central/ South America

※ Regional Selection: Based on the participant's affiliated home university (regardless of the current country of residence)

※ List of countries by region: [https://www.mofa.go.kr/www/nation/m\\_3458/list.do](https://www.mofa.go.kr/www/nation/m_3458/list.do)

Contest Date May 6th, 2023 (Sat), Korean Standard Time (UTC+9)

- Americas 08:00 ~ 10:00
- South Korea / China 10:00 ~ 12:00
- Northeast Asia & Oceania / Southeast Asia 15:00 ~ 17:00
- Central Asia & Russia / Europe 19:00 ~ 21:00

<b>Schedule</b>	・ <b>Registration Period</b>	<b>April 3rd, 2023 (Mon) ~ April 30th (Sun)</b>
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• Orientation May 3rd, 2023 (Wed)

- ※ Held at the same time as the contest for each region
- ※ Use of language: Korean

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- Result Announcement Early June 2023

**Qualification** · International students (undergraduate and graduate) studying the Korean language in foreign universities, including those on leave

- Application**
- **Application Period** April 3rd, 2023(Mon) ~ April 30th, 2023(Sun)
  - **Application Method** Click on the 'Application for Participation' on the website of Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest(<https://hangul.skku.edu/>)
  - **Submission of documents**
    - ① Profile picture: Only the passport-sized photos taken facing front will be accepted
    - ② ID Card: Passport or ID-card scanned file (for nationality confirmation)
    - ③ Certificate of Enrollment: Recommended to submit it in Korean or English
      - ※ Documents issued by the affiliated university within the last 3 months
      - ※ In case of inability to submit the Certificate of Enrollment by the deadline, please inquire with the Office of International Relations
    - ④ Handwritten Consent form; Downloadable form from the registration page or noticeboard

**Contest Type** Online

- ※ Prior preparation
  - ① An electronic device with a built-in camera (i.e. smartphone, tablet PC, laptop, etc.)
  - ② A stable Wi-Fi connection environment

**Form of Writing** Essay

**Topic** Released on the day of the contest  
 ※ Previous essay topics are available on Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest Homepage

- Writing Format**
- Manuscript Use the provided format of each region from the noticeboard, which includes 400 characters per page
  - Length At least 1200 characters (at least 3 or more pages of paper)
  - Duration 90 minutes
  - Please write by hand on the manuscript provided and scan or take a photo of the manuscript for submission
  - Use of dictionaries allowed

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## EVALUATION AND AWARDS

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**Result Announcement** Announcement on the website and individual notifications in early June of 2023

- Evaluation Criteria**
- Relevance to the topic
  - Originality
  - Adequacy of composition and appropriate use of expressions
  - Accuracy in grammar, spelling, punctuation, and manuscript paper usage
  - For some applicants additional verification of Korean language proficiency may be conducted through video interviews

## Awards

- 1 Gold Prize, 2 Silver Prizes, 2 Bronze Prizes, 5 Excellent Writing Awards, 5 Participation Awards
- ※ If there are no qualified candidates, the prize may not be awarded
- Scanned copies of the award certificates will be sent to the email address provided, and the original copy will be sent by mail to the address provided from registration

## Benefits

- All winners: **Reduced tuition for a short-term education program at SKKU**  
(choose one of the two programs below)

Program	Discounted Item	Discount rate					Benefit Period
		Gold	Silver	Bronze	Excellent Writing Award	Participation Award	
International Semesters (ISS · WISE)	Tuition (including registration fee)	100% fee waiver			70% fee waiver	50% fee waiver	Award-winning year (Dormitory fee is applicable for offline programs)
	Dormitory Fee	50% fee waiver			N/A		
Korean Language Course	Tuition (including registration fee)	2 semesters (4 months)			1 semester (2 months)		Once while attending university

- **Gold, Silver, and Bronze Prize winners from each region**
  - Opportunity to participate in a 3-nights 4-days Korean cultural experience program and attend the annual Global Contest
  - Winners in Local Contest in area other than Korea: Round-trip airfare tickets for winners from regions outside of Korea (with a limit per country/region)
  - Winners in Korea: Round-trip transportation fee for winners from residing outside of Seoul in Korea

### ※ 2023 International Summer Semester, ISS

- Period: June 26th, 2023 (Mon) ~ July 19th, 2023 (Fri), 4 weeks
- Refer to <https://summer.skku.edu/> for the offered courses

## GLOBAL CONTEST AND KOREAN INVITATIONAL PROGRAMS

### Eligibility 2023 Gold, Silver, and Bronze Prize winners of Local contest

- Winners in Local Contest in area other than Korea: Round-trip airfare tickets for winners from regions outside of Korea (with a limit per country/region)
- Winners in Korea: Round-trip transportation fee for winners from residing outside of Seoul in Korea
- Online participation allowed for those who are unable to visit Korea due to personal circumstances

**Event Schedule** August 8th, 2023 (Tues) ~ August 11th, 2023 (Fri), 3-nights 4-days

- Global Contest: August 9th, 2023 (Wed)

**Benefit**

Full scholarship for admission fee and tuition (4 semesters) for  
**SKKU Graduate School** (Master's or Doctoral program)

※ Applicable for those who enroll within 3 years after graduating from the current program

## IMPORTANT NOTES

- If a paper submitted has been plagiarized or created through unfair means, such as ghostwriting or proxy writing, the submission will be disqualified from judging, and the wrongdoer may be banned from participating in the contest for the next 2 years.
- If any misconduct is discovered after winning an award, the award may be voided, and any prize money or awards that have already been given may be reclaimed.
- Some participants may be subjected to additional verification of Korean language proficiency through video interviews or other means.
- All schedules for the contest will be based on Korean Standard Time (UTC+9)
- Past winners of Gold · Silver · Bronze from the Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest are not eligible to apply.
- All copyrights and usage rights of the submitted works for the Sungkyun Hangeul Essay Contest belong to the university, and Sungkyunkwan University may use the works for online posting, participants' education, and publication of the contest books.

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