

2015 Spring Admission Guide for the Graduate School of Politics, Government, and Communication



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<Admission Guide for the 2014 Academic Year>

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The Graduate School of Politics, Government, and Communication

The Graduate School of Politics, Government and Communication (GSPGC) was opened in March 1993, in order to cultivate talented human resources with leadership and creativity by conducting research and educating students on theories and practices in public policy, diplomacy and national security, journalism and advertising. Stressing the development of a working knowledge on policy science, the GSPGC operates a five-semester course and holds classes in the evenings. The curriculum targets high-ranking policy-makers involved in various fields of public service, including officials of all ranks, lawmakers, local council members, journalists and broadcasters. The graduate school's goal is to cultivate high-caliber professionals with a far-reaching frame of mind, which will be required by all globalized and information-based societies of the future.

Master's Programs

1. Department of Public Audit and Policy: Public Policy, Public Administration

Public Policy is a field of science that is aimed at promoting an understanding of leadership in the policy-making process.

Public Administration covers an extensive knowledge of public administration by effectively applying theories and methodologies into all different fields of public administration.

2. International Affairs and National Security

International Affairs and National Security aims to educate students and conduct research on international affairs. Based on international political theories, this course focuses on the study of international organizations and diplomatic policy, which are the very strategies that are prerequisite for external affairs.

3. Communication and Information: Journalism & Broadcasting and Advertising & Public Relations

Journalism & Broadcasting intends to nurture professional journalists and broadcasters who can spearhead a sea change in communications, triggered by the advent of social media and the growing influence of mass media on our society.

Advertising & Public Relations aims to research communications and business management strategies, in order to tackle issues caused by the rapid transformation society, the changing awareness of organizations, and consumer movements. The course covers a variety of advertising and PR-related professional fields.

I . Application Timeframe

1. The First Round of Spring Admission

Stage	Schedule	Venues & Websites	Notes
On-line Application	Monday, October 6 ~ Friday, October 17, 2014	http://www.hufs.ac.kr/user/gsp	The Internet accepts applications 24 hours a day during this period.
*Submission of Application Documents	Monday, October 6 ~ Friday, October 17, 2014	Graduate School Administration Team 2 (Room #111)	
Interview	Saturday, November 1 , 2014	Location to be announced	
Announcement of Admitted Candidates	Monday, November 17, 2014	http://www.hufs.ac.kr/user/gsp	

2. The Second Round of Spring Admission

Stage	Schedule	Venues & Websites	Notes
On-line Application	Monday, November 24 ~ Friday, December 5, 2014	http://www.hufs.ac.kr/user/gsp	The Internet accepts applications 24 hours a day during this period.
*Submission of Application Documents	Monday, November 24 ~ Friday, December 5, 2014	Graduate School Administration Team 2 (Room #111)	
Interview	Saturday, December 20, 2014	Location to be announced	
Announcement of Admitted Candidates	Monday, January 5, 2015	http://www.hufs.ac.kr/user/gsp	

- All submissions should be delivered to the following address:
 GSPS Office (Room #111), Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, 107 Imun-ro, Dongdaemun-gu, Seoul 130-791, Korea
 The office is open every day from 14:00~21:00 except weekends and holidays.

II . Enrollment

Course	Department	Major	Students to be admitted
M.A.	Department of Public Audit & Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Public Policy ● Public Administration 	00
	International Affairs & National Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● International Affairs & National Security ● North Korea 	
	Communication & Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Journalism & Broadcasting ● Advertising & Public Relations 	

III. Qualifications

- A. An undergraduate degree or above from an accredited 4-year domestic or overseas university (※ Those who are expected to graduate by August, 2014 are also eligible to apply)
- B. Students who have earned credits through the self-educated or academic credit bank systems are also eligible to apply to the M.A. program only if they hold a bachelor's degree from one of *Korea's accredited institutes* by the time of application.
- C. International students are required to prove their Korean proficiency level by submitting a certificate of TOPIK level 3 or higher (Students need to achieve TOPIK level 4 or higher before graduation). Otherwise, international applicants have to submit one of the following English qualifications: TOEFL (550 PBT/210 CBT/80 IBT or above), IELTS (an overall grade of 5.5 or above), FLEX (550 or above), TEPS (550 or above).

IV. Admission Selection Process

- A. Document evaluation
- B. Interview (Preference is given to those who have professional experience in the major that they select)

V. Required Documents

- A. Application form (Complete the form online and print it out)
- B. Study Plan (Download the form from <http://www.hufs.ac.kr/user/gsp>)
- C. 1 copy of diploma (or a proof of prospective graduation) and an official transcript
 - Academic-related documents should be authenticated by a Apostille or consular legalization
 - **Regarding Apostille**
 Apostille is a certification process that authenticates documents. Under the Hague convention, the member states have agreed to recognize public documents issued by other signatory countries if those public documents are authenticated by the attachment of an internationally recognized form of authentication known as an apostille. If candidates are not from the signatory states, they instead need to submit academic documents authenticated by consular legalization stamps. Chinese students can obtain notarized academic documents at the Confucian Institute in Seoul. For more information, please visit <http://www.cis.or.kr/>. Notarization will be considered as valid as consular legalization.

※ Signatory States

Region	Signatory States
Asia, Oceania	<i>Australia, Macao, Hong Kong, Israel, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Brunei, Cook Islands, Fiji, India, Kazakhstan, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Samoa, Seychelles, Tonga, Niue (18 countries)</i>

Region	Signatory States
Europe	<i>Albania, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Lichtenstein, Moldova, San Marino (47 countries)</i>
America	<i>The United States, Argentina, Mexico, Panama, Surinam, Venezuela, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahama, Barbados, Belize, Colombia, Dominica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Honduras, Saint Vincent, Trinidad and Tobago, Saint Lucia, Saint Kitts and Nevis (20 countries)</i>
Africa	<i>South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Liberia, Namibia, Swaziland, Malawi (7 countries)</i>

- D. Certificate of employment (if applicable)
- E. 3 photos
- F. Language Proficiency Certificate: international students should submit either of the followings
 - TOPIK Certificate of Level 4 or Higher
 - English Qualifications: TOEFL (550 PBT/210 CBT/80 IBT or above), IELTS (an overall grade of 5.5 or above), FLEX (550 or above), TEPS (550 or above).

※ *Your scores or qualifications will only be valid for two years from the test date.*

VI. Other

- A. Application Fees: 70,000 won (Application Fee) + 5,000 won (Online Transaction Fee)
- B. Off-line applications should be submitted by registered mail or in person and are valid only if the application is submitted by 5 pm on the final day of applications.
- C. After passing all the Admission Selection Process, candidates who need to obtain a Student VISA (D-2) may request a “Certificate of Admission.”
- D. Matriculation may be rescinded under the following conditions:
 - In case an applicant is discovered to have applied through illegal means such as submission of false/forged materials;
 - In case any of the required documents are omitted.
- E. Applicants are required to provide correct contact information (postal addresses, phone numbers, fax numbers, e-mail addresses) of the schools that they have attended. The verification of academic records will be done on the basis of such contact information. **If the documents or information are found to be incorrect, the applicants will bear all potential disadvantages.**
- F. Original documents should be submitted in principle. (Those who give copies of required documents are then required to submit original documents at a later date after achieving admission and registration.)
- G. Original documents will not be returned to the applicants who do not register during the registration periods.

H. Applicants may be required to submit additional documents, aside from the required ones mentioned above, for the purpose of verification of school records.