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### "I am SUPER Happy to join the GKS program!"



Written by Jong Jin lee

Nineteen international students from nine countries joined the INU GKS (Global Korea Scholarship) program in the Fall of 2022. Students came from Austria, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, Spain, Thailand, the UK, and the USA. INU was selected to run the Korean Government sponsored GKS program (offering airfare, tuition fee, monthly stipend, health care, and settlement money).

"I am so lucky to be here as a GKS participant. INU is the best place to study and explore Korean culture," said Tolentino Elizabeth (Mexico). For the Spring semester of 2023 selection, INU will contact our partner universities in December.

# 27 government officials from 16 countries joined the Climate Change Response program

#### Written by Jungeun Kim

INU welcomed 27 government officials from 16 developing countries studying rapid climate change at INU for the MA and doctorate program.

The program is funded by KOICA (Korea International Cooperation Agency) and is set to train government officials in charge of climate change response and environmental policy in their country.

The Climate Change Response Program will be carried out three times between 2022 and 2026, and plans to invite 78 officials.

"INU will play a key role in educating and cultivating global leaders who can deal with and stop climate change," President Jong-Tae Park (right) said in the welcome ceremony.



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### A wonderful experience in Korea!

Nuria, from Spain and Kudo, from Japan enjoy studying in INU



"Korea is a unique country with a mixture of traditional and modern lifestyles; it has numerous temples surrounded by incredible skyscrapers. Life here is fast, which I love, but respectful at the same time - nobody bothers you in the metro, nobody talks, and there is a lot of respect for others in public places.

Incheon is a place with lots of things to do. You can visit Bupyeong, where there are numerous shops, or stroll through Central Park. You can also visit Chinatown, where you can enjoy fantastic food, or you can ride the ferry to nearby islands.

In addition, public transport gives you a wide variety of options so, one can go to many places, one of them being Seoul, and visit its areas of interest without any problem.

I look forward to meeting more lovely people here and going to more places to experience new adventures."

· Nuria Jimenez, University of Malaga, Spain

"Seven months have passed since I came to Korea. Initially, I spent my time worrying about everything, but as time passed, I acquired the courage to move on to a broader place on my own. There are many things I did in Japan but was afraid to do things alone in Korea.

My first step was step out and travel around Korea. During the summer vacation, I rode the train, bus, and ferry with anticipation with strong determination to explore and to enjoy my time in Korea. Thank you to all my friends who gave me the courage to move forward. Now, as I reflect back I am grateful I had the chance to expand my horizon and appreciate the warmth of the connections with the people I met along the way.

Thank you my friends, teachers, and everyone at Incheon National University!"- Kudo Chihiro, University of Kitakyushu, Japan



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### Sparkling memories in University of Malaga, Spain and University of Kitakyushu, Japan

"Living in Spain has been my dream ever since high school. Thanks to the exchange program at INU, I could go to Malaga, Spain. When I first arrived in Malaga, I faced some struggles, but after spending three months, I made friends from all over the world. As we interacted with each other from different cultures, I have more understanding, and my views of other cultures have expanded. The most memorable moment was when I watched a flamenco show with friends. It was an extraordinary experience for me. I am in love with Malaga!

Every friend I met, the classes I took, and the food I tried were the most memorable things in my life. If anyone is wondering where to go for the exchange program, I highly recommend the University of Malaga."

- Heewon Yu (center), INU student in Malaga, Spain-





"When I decided to join the exchange student program in Japan, there were two things I wanted to do: Club activities and get a Part-time jobs. I started to find out what clubs are at the University of Kitakyushu. I joined the Mock United Nations, the movie research group, and the scuba diving club- "Coral". As a member of "Coral," I talked with local people from various jobs; I enjoyed every day spoken Japanese I couldn't experience at the university and I worked doing my second part-time job at the Kokura racetrack.

With the help of the University of Kitakyushu, I got the JASSO Scholarship from the Japanese Government, which immensely helped me enjoy my life in Japan more. I appreciate the International Office staff, University of Kitakyushu, for giving this opportunity. - Chi Ho Won (center), INU student in Kitakyushu, Japan

### Thank you for meeting us at EAIE 2022 Barcelona

#### Written by Junghyun Joo

INU delegates, Professor Hyunwoo Cho (Provost for Admission), Ms. Jungeun Kim (Program Manager for European Countries), and Junghyun Joo (Program Manager for English Spoken Countries), joined the 32nd Annual EAIE conference which took place between 13-16 September 2022 in Barcelona, Spain. We want to thank the universities' representatives who took the time to meet our delegates. INU will follow up with each University based on the discussion we had.





