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The murals found in the downtown areas of Kuala Lumpur, Penang, and Malacca, Malaysia's major cities, vividly depict the diverse cultures and traditions of various ethnic groups that constitute Malaysia. Especially prevalent are murals that harmonize with the old modern landscapes of the traditional houses and shops of the ethnic Chinese Malaysians, fitting well into the densely packed urban context of their surroundings.

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Taesik Kim received his Ph.D. in Communication Studies from the University of Oklahoma. He has worked as an assistant professor at Masaryk University in the Czech Republic and now serves as a professor of Media Communication at Monash University in Malaysia. He analyzes urban spaces and media texts that contain multilayered messages of socio-cultural significance conveyed through visual images, languages, and discourse. Recently, he has been dedicated to establishing the Korea-East Asia Research Cluster at Monash University to serve as a focal point for research related to Korea. Presently, he conducts research on the diversifying 'Korean-ness' in Southeast Asian urban spaces alongside studying the socio-cultural phenomena created by Koreans across Southeast Asia, concurrent with the proliferation of Korean media culture.





# “To strengthen and renew SNUAC’s research in identity and regional studies.”

Regional Studies, as an academic discipline, was born as a product of Imperialism and the Cold War world order. It was during this period in world history that modern states saw the crucial need to study other societies and cultures to realize their own political and economic interests. However, even long before modern political systems and academia were established, people could not survive without incessant material and cultural exchanges with other people in and outside their own region. The reason that our world today could have homogeneity and diversity is that each region, country, and society has long been connected with others.

The trend of globalization, having begun to accelerate after the 1980s, is now creating hyper-connectivity never seen before in human society. The time-space compression due to the advancement of communication and transportation technology promotes the mobility of humans, materials, and cultural resources, thus increasing interdependency and producing various issues and conflicts. According to such changes, the importance of regional studies continues to grow. For coexistence with nature, tolerance for others, and amelioration of uneven development and inequality, the role of regional studies has become more urgent than ever as it enhances the mutual understanding and cooperative practice of the residents of the global village.



Since its establishment in 2009, SNUAC has been undertaking tremendous efforts to be a core institute for regional studies not only domestically but also internationally. As a result, we are now rigorously operating our educational and academic activities with seven regional research centers, eight thematic research programs, and the HK+ Mega-Asia Research Project supported by the National Research Foundation as of 2024. Also, over 130 researchers and administrative staffs are cooperating with related departments at Seoul National University, international research institutions, and researchers. To intensify the multidisciplinary, multiregional, and international cooperative research based on these capabilities, SNUAC has been holding over 300 academic seminars and conferences every year.

SNUAC will continue to seek to establish the identity of Asian regional studies, practical solutions for the issues of globalization, society, and industry, and pursue the popularization of knowledge. To this end, we need not only the academic efforts of the members of SNUAC but also close cooperation with institutions and experts worldwide interested in the Asian region. I sincerely hope that SNUAC will continue to contribute to the mutual human understanding of cohabitation.

Thank you.

Director of SNUAC, 

## 2009

### 2009

Inauguration of SNUAC  
(Founding Director: Prof. Hyun-Chin Lim)

The first SNUAC International Conference:  
What Is Asia? Retrospectives and Prospects

### 2011

Selection as part of the Korea Foundation  
Global e-School Program

Publication of the first issue of *Asia Review*

### 2013

Commencement of the Asia Basic  
Research Program

Commencement of Northeast Asia Center,  
Southeast Asia Center, and Civil Society  
and NGOs Program

Opening ceremony of the SNUAC building

Appointment of Prof. Myungkoog Kang as  
SNUAC director

## 2014

### 2014

International Conference for directors of  
Asia research institutes: New Horizons of  
Asian Studies

Commencement of Center for Eurasian  
and Central Asian Studies

Initiation of the medium-scale project  
“International Trade, Trade Order,  
and Standardization” within the SSK  
program; Initiation of a new project “East  
Asian Cities”; Reception of a grant for  
Foundational Research from the NRFK

## 2016

### 2016

International conference: Inter-Asian  
Connections V: Seoul

### 2015

Affiliation of the Korea Social Science Data  
Archive (KOSSDA) with SNUAC

Selection of *Asia Review* as a candidate for  
inclusion in the Korean Citation Index (KCI)

International conference: Capitalism  
and Capitalisms in Asia: Origins,  
Commonalities, and Diversity

### 2010

Groundbreaking for the SNUAC building  
Designation as a Key Research Institute by  
the National Research Foundation of Korea

### 2012

Selection as part of the Emerging  
Economies Research Program (NRFK)

## 2017

### 2017

- Selection of Asia Review to be registered in KCI
- Appointment of Prof. SooJin Park as SNUAC Director
- Advancement of East Asian Cities project to SSK large-scale research project by the NRFK
- Commencement of Center for Asian Urban Societies

### 2018

- Commencement of Asia Regional Information Center
- Commencement of Center for South Asian Studies and West Asia Center
- Organization of the Council of Asia Regional Research Institutes at Seoul National University
- Publication of the first issue of Diverse+Asia
- Ranked at the top level in the SNU Research Institute Evaluation in the humanities and social sciences field

## 2019

### 2019

- Commencement of Future Earth Program and Asian Development Model Program
- Commemoration of SNUAC's 10th anniversary and announcement of new visions
- Affiliation of Korea Association of International Development Cooperation, East Asian Sociological Association, and Future Earth Korea with SNUAC

### 2020

- Commencement of Exchange and Cooperation in the Asian World Program
- Selected as part of Humanities Korea Plus (HK+) Program (NRFK)
- Commencement of Vietnam Center

### 2021

- Establishment of Asia Brief, a policy brief of SNUAC
- Commencement of Program on Asia's Intellectual Values
- Ranked first in the SNU Research Institute Evaluation in the humanities and social sciences field

### 2022

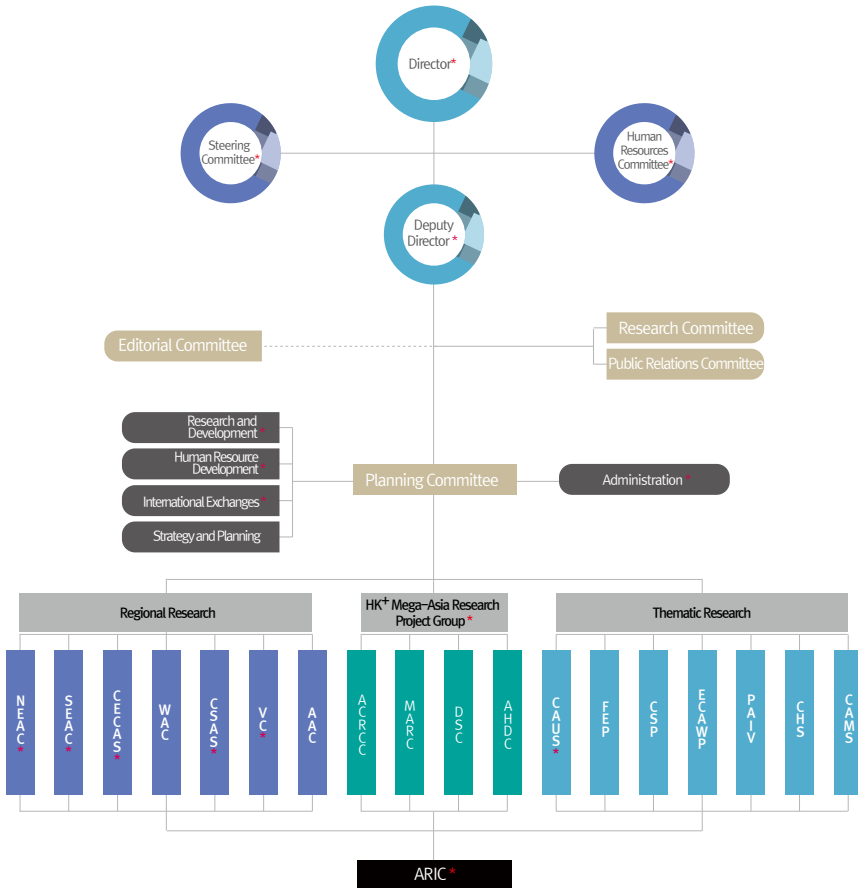
- Commencement of Center for Hallyu Studies
- Commencement of Asia-Africa Center

## 2023

### June 2023

- Commencement of Center for Asian Migration
- Appointment of Prof. Suhong Chae as SNUAC Director
- Selected as part of Institute Programs in the Humanities & Social Sciences (NRFK) with Project Group for Migration and Refugee Studies

# Organization Chart



\* Official units

SNUAC is a comprehensive research institute based on an approach integrating regional and thematic research. SNUAC comprises of HK+ Mega-Asia Research Project Group, seven regional research centers, seven thematic research programs, along with Asia Regional Information Center which collects and manage regional information and data. Under the director and deputy director, three departments (Academic Research Department, International Exchanges Department, Human Resources Department) as well as the Strategy and Planning Office and Administration Office support the research activities of each unit and carry out projects of the institute.



## HK+ Mega-Asia Research Project Group

<http://snuac-hk.snu.ac.kr/>

#Mega-Asia #ComparativeRegionalResearchonAsia #DataStorytelling #InterdisciplinaryandConvergentResearch #KnowledgeSharingPlatform

The HK+ Mega-Asia Project Research Group based at SNUAC was launched in May 2020 with the support of the National Research Foundation of Korea's grant for regional studies. Promoting the research agenda of "Mega-Asia and Asias: Identities, Dynamics, Data-Telling", the research group entered its second phase in May 2023. Seeking to establish a new perspective and awareness of Asia through the framework of 'Mega-Asia', the research group aims to construct a new paradigm for Asian regional studies by applying a comparative regional studies methodology and adopting an interdisciplinary and convergent research approach. Through this project, SNUAC hopes to establish itself as one of the world's top three hubs in Asian studies by fostering Asian regional experts over a period of seven years.

### Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Publication of the 'Mega-Asia' book series – A total of 6 volumes in Phase 2 (4 years)
- \* Research on the Phase 2 overall research agenda "Mega-Asia in flux, sustainability, cooperation, and Korea"
- \* Operation of a fostering program for Mega-Asia regional researchers and experts
- \* Operation of ASIA Humanities Dissemination Center

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#MegaASIALocalExpertCourse #MegaASIAOpenUniversity #ASIAHumanitiesAssetCourse  
#ASIASchoolofCivilizationandKnowledge #DungsildungsilCultureFestival

The ASIA Humanities Dissemination Center was established in May 2020 to disseminate the research outcomes of HK+ Mega-Asia Research Group, which seeks to see Asia with a new perspective of humanities and social sciences, to public at home and abroad. As a platform to foster global regional experts and publicize Asian regional knowledge and information on humanities internationally, the center operates various educational programs. The center aims to provide education open to all regardless of age and region, and pursues the expansion of accessibility and diversification of programs through MOUs and cooperation with related institutions. Also, the center uploads videos of all programs to its YouTube channel, in order to play the role in the circulation of knowledge information and social communication.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Mega ASIA Local Expert Course: A program to foster adults in their 20s and 30s as local experts
- \* Mega ASIA Open University: Open university program using video contents from Diverse+Asia to heighten the public's awareness on Asia
- \* ASIA Humanities Asset Course: Classes co-hosted with the National Museum of Korea for public, related to the history, culture, and art of Asia
- \* ASIA School of Civilization and Knowledge: Classes co-hosted with the Extension College at Seoul National University for public, offering lectures on Asian civilizational knowledge from a perspective of humanities and social sciences
- \* Dungsildungsil ASIA Culture Festival: An annual humanities festival with events on various themes related to Asian culture



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#EastAsianCurrentIssuesCommunication

The Northeast Asia Center (NEAC) was established with the goal of providing a comprehensive understanding and multidimensional analysis of the multifaceted issues around the political, economic, social, and cultural changes in the Northeast Asian region in the aftermath of globalization. NEAC seeks to explore in-depth and multidimensional approaches through various academic activities and external cooperative efforts on the complex issues in Northeast Asia that are difficult to resolve at the national level, such as the division of the Korean Peninsula and the South-North relations, Korea-China and Korea-Japan relations, changes and mobility in East Asian cities, historical conflicts in Northeast Asia and post-Cold War regimes transitions, transnational issues, and regional conflicts. Further, NEAC aims to promote academic convergence through communication and collaboration with related research institutes within Seoul National University and to serve as a hub and focal point for revitalizing Northeast Asian regional studies by actively engaging in communication and exchange with diverse institutions both within and outside the university.



## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Northeast Asian Urbanity/Locality Studies: Death and Life in Northeast Asian Cities
- \* Transnational Issues and Conflicts in The Korean Peninsula and Northeast Asia
- \* Asia-China Dialogue: Advancing Asian Subjectivity
- \* East Asian Social Change and Mobility
- \* Social Communication on Current Northeast Asian Issues

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#ASEAN #NewSouthernPolicy #climate crisis #SEA argiculture #CSA

The Southeast Asia Center (SEAC) was established in 2012 and has been producing and widely providing professional knowledge and information on the Southeast Asian region. SEAC conducts comprehensive and interdisciplinary research on the overall region, maintains and develops networks with other institutes at home and abroad related to the region, and operates programs such as open lectures, invitational expert lectures, and research group meetings to promote public understanding of Southeast Asia.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Invitational lectures: Held academic lectures by inviting experts working in different regions of Southeast Asia
- \* Open lectures: Held public lectures to promote deeper understanding of Southeast Asia for all who are interested in the region
- \* Southeast Asian studies research group meetings: Fostered academic future generation by supporting rising scholars writing theses and dissertations on Southeast Asia
- \* Academic activities: Published issue papers and policy reports for enhancing understanding of the region



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Since its establishment in April 2014, the Center for Eurasian and Central Asian Studies (CECAS) has continued to conduct research integrating regional and thematic studies. CECAS provides information on current affairs in Central Asia and Eurasian region and fosters experts in the region by actively presenting research outcomes in diverse academic

disciplines. CECAS also aims to promote public interests in Central Asia, and has forged research network for ongoing cooperation with domestic and foreign universities and research institutions. Based on various efforts and activities including academic events and publications, CECAS seeks to derive practical implications on policy and establish itself as a hub of Central Asian studies.

### Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* NRF Humanities and Social Sciences Institute Support: Conducting research project “Eurasian Refugees as Cross-Border Migrants: the Multifaceted Changes and Impacts of Migration Dynamics” to analyze the changes and influences that cross-border movements of refugees, migrants, and diasporic groups brought on the dynamics of migration within Eurasia
- \* Korean Diaspora: Research on the life and culture of Koryo people in Central Asia and Eurasia and the characteristics of Koryo community in Korea
- \* New Regionalism in Eurasia: Research on the process and dynamics of Central Asia being formed as a region beyond the frame of nation states
- \* Eurasian Borders: Research on the aspects of interaction over borders in Central Asia and analysis of regional changes
- \* An ODA Project in Central Asia: A Collaborative Research on Directions for Advancing Development Cooperation in Central Asia
- \* Grants for a student club that studies Central Asia and Eurasia: Fostering undergraduate and graduate students interested in Central Asian and Eurasian Studies

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#SouthAsia #SouthAsianHistory #SouthAsianCulture #SouthAsianEconomy #SouthAsianODA

The Center for South Asian Studies (CSAS) was established to pursue multidimensional and reciprocal cooperative projects with the seven countries in the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) such as India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and Nepal, and to study their history, economy, politics, languages and cultures with the aim of systematically building related capacities.



After establishing diplomatic relations with South Asian countries in the 1970s, Korea has recently reinforced cooperation in the context of New Southern Policy and joined SAARC as an observer state in 2007. CSAS seeks to perform the role of an academic link that connects diverse agents who contribute to the creation and accumulation of information related to South Asia. For this aim, the center is pursuing projects that expand the range of joint research and work with various institutes, researchers, and agents of South Asian countries.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* CSAS Colloquium and Workshop: Monthly events for inviting experts to share analyses and prospects on current issues of South Asia
- \* South Asia Culture School: Public knowledge-sharing project providing professional understanding of South Asian culture and history in an open frame
- \* Government ODA Project on South Asia: Joint study on the official development assistance strategy for Central and South Asia
- \* Government research on South Asia: India Content Industry Trend Survey and Korea-India Exchange Strategy Project
- \* Company sponsored research: The impact of e-sports experience on social inclusion and social mobility sponsored by Krafton
- \* Study of death culture in South Asia: An investigation into India's death culture using a Thanatonic approach
- \* Indian Institute of Management Bangalore(IIMB) Workshop: Programs include the Management Programme for Entrepreneurs & Family Businesses (MPEFB) and the Korea Immersion Programme (KIP), lasting for 7 days
- \* Korea-India Industry Forum: Research and networking activities aimed at expanded commercial exchange between Korea and India

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#WestAsianRegionalStudies #CivilSocietyinWestAsia #Democracy #Geopolitics #SupportingYoungScholars



The West Asia Center (WAC) was established to provide a timely view through deep, suggestive analysis of West Asia, strengthen the foundation for research of West Asia through continuous research, and build networks between researchers, businessmen and government officials of West Asia. WAC has formed relationships with experts for expansion of regional studies research through colloquiums and added depth to understanding West Asia through regional intensive seminars. The current goal of WAC is to analyze the issues of mobility, politics, sectarianism, and economy in West Asia.

Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Specialized Colloquium: Discussing current West Asian issues such as diversification of Saudi Arabian economy, Middle Eastern authoritarianism, politics, and Islam
- \* NRF Joint Research Project: Since June 1st, 2023, seeking new theoretical basis for Middle Eastern civil society by researching the development of civil society and the relationship between civil society and political regimes under the theme “MENA in the era of complex global crisis: New security, alternative order, and civil society”
- \* Support for young scholars: Promoting academic exchanges and active research of young scholars studying West Asia by supporting seminars of scholars
- \* Support for undergraduate student club: Training follow-up generations of West Asian studies by supporting studies and activities of university students



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#VietnamLocalInfos #VietnamNetworks #VietnamEliteDataset #VietnamForum

The ultimate goal of the Vietnam Center (VC) is to create social value by returning knowledge and information to society using a multi-layered academia-governments-industries network and trustworthy local information as its two pillars. To this end, first, the center develops and expands a



multi-layered network system for area research. Specifically, the center operates secretariats of the Vietnam Research Committee of the Korean Association of Southeast Asian Studies and the Vietnam Forum at Seoul National University in Korea. Also, the center strengthens regional research and academic exchanges by establishing networks with education or research institutes in three major regions in Vietnam - Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh, and Da Nang. Second, the center takes the lead in building local information that has been underdeveloped due to the non-excludability and non-rivalry of information use, despite the demand from Korean Companies and public entities entering Vietnam. Mainly, the center builds biographical datasets of Central Committee members of the Communist Party of Vietnam from the 1st Party CC to the 13th Party CC. The center writes a white paper on local information on major provinces in Vietnam in collaboration with the peak association of Korean companies in Vietnam. Third, the center returns all the expertise, networks, and local information in a highly accessible format to society. The center organizes and operates open lectures for Korean entrepreneurs in Vietnam, annually holds a flagship academic and business conference, and reorganizes the Vietnam News section into an electronic journal. Eventually, the center will pursue a project to visualize local information and networks in an interactive web map so that the public can utilize them effortlessly.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Development of a multi-layered academia-governments-industries network in Korea and Vietnam: The secretariats of the Vietnam Research Committee of the Korean Association of Southeast Asian Studies and the Vietnam Forum at Seoul National University in Korea and network with education and research institutes in three major regions in Vietnam.
- \* Building trustworthy local information: original datasets of biographical information for members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam (currently completed from 6th Party CC to 12th Party CC) and a white paper on local information of major provinces
- \* Enhancing social contribution through local information and networks: open lectures for Korean entrepreneurs in Vietnam (September 2024 ~), annual flagship academic conference, the Vietnam News as an e-journal and an interactive web map of local knowledge and networks

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#GlobalSouthandAfrica #InternationalDevelopmentofAfrica #PoliticsofAfrica #AfricaRegionalStudies



The Asia-Africa Center was established in March 2022 for pursuing transdisciplinary research that can mutually complement the universality and specificity of studies on Africa and for performing a role as an exclusive research institute for African studies that equally understands both Korean and African perspectives beyond the existing West-oriented view on Africa. Functioning as a strategic think tank that can provide practical policy suggestions that meet the needs of the times, the center ultimately aims to make a leap as a global research hub of African studies that connects Asia and Africa and leads to mutual understanding between the two continents.

#### Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Building a DB of experts on Africa: Constructing a DB for cooperating with experts of each region and discipline (construction of a home page)
- \* Discovering and disseminating research topics related to Africa in Korea: Korea's diplomatic policy for Africa, developmental cooperation, studies on regions of conflict, etc.
- \* Holding seminars and special lectures with experts of African studies: Inviting prominent overseas researchers of the field for public seminars
- \* Creating a field of networking about Africa: Preparing a platform for continuous communication among the government, corporations, NGOs, and academia
- \* Seeking cooperation and partnership with major institutes abroad related to Africa

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## Future Earth Program

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#FutureEarth #SustainabilityResearch #TransdisciplinaryPlatform #Ecological-SocietalHealth #SpatialSustainability

The Future Earth Program has a two-fold mission: to identify transdisciplinary approaches for achieving sustainable development and to establish a global network that shares the impact of sustainability research. The Asia region, including Korea, faces significant threats to sustainable development. Our program categorizes these challenges as Mega-Transitions, Mega-Cities, and Mega-Disasters. We address these issues by integrating natural, social sciences, and humanities, fostering international collaboration and promoting sustainability in the Korean Peninsula and throughout Asia. In 2019, we initiated the establishment of the Future Earth Korea National Committee Secretariat. Through collaboration with Future Earth, we aim to contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Korea and Asia. We also provide research and education platforms for experts, policymakers, and the general public in relevant fields.

### Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Multi-Layered Climate and Environmental Research Network for a Sustainable Earth: This project builds a network of experts in SDG-related environmental and climate fields and establishes a foundation for international cooperation.
- \* International Research Network for K-SDGs and Spatial Sustainability: In collaboration with Future Earth, this network proposes alternatives to address spatial and environmental challenges in the Korean Peninsula.
- \* Fulfilling the Role of the National Committee of Korea: We perform the functions and roles of the National Committee of the Future Earth General Assembly. This includes establishing partnerships with global secretariat hubs and contributing to the General Assembly on the annual Sustainability Research and Innovation Congress, as well as the activities of Asia Regional Committee.



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#CivilSociety #EastAsia #Multiculturalism #Community #CaringDemocracy



The Civil Society and NGOs Program (CSP) aims to research in-depth comparisons and analyses of changes in civil societies of Korea and major countries in East Asia. Major research topics are time-series analysis of the changing landscape of Asian civil society organizations, focusing on environmental and human rights issues, as well as social economy. The core themes include 'energy transition and ecotourism', 'migration and multiculturalism', and

'community and care democracy'. Specifically, CSP examines the landscape and network structures of various areas in Korea, Asia, and global civil society, as well as citizen activities in areas such as environment, labor, energy, health, women, youth, and social economy. The research spans from grassroots activities to national-level governance, corporations, and citizen movements, encompassing the multi-dimensional agents related to civil society.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Research on the topography and network structure of Korean, Asian, and global civil societies: Conducted a survey on organizations registered on the conspectus of NGOs and non-profit NGOs for fundamental statistics based on their aims, areas, primary activities, organizational structures, and finances; proceeded with publication
- \* Connecting macro- and micro-perspectives on civil society: Published 'Asian Studies in a Global Context Series' that connects macro-perspectives on global NGOs and globalization and micro-perspectives on residents, citizens, villages, etc.
- \* Asia Civil Society Workshop Series: Conducted comparative research on cases of Korea, Japan, and Hong Kong with topics of civil society organizations, multi-cultural society, social corporate, and social value
- \* Construction of network for East Asian civil society researchers: Built domestic cooperative research networks with the Korean Sociological Association and the Critical Sociological Association of Korea, and international networks with GIC at Toyo Univ., Toshisha Univ., the Association for the Study of Political Society (ASPOS), and the East Asia Sociological Association
- \* Comparative research of care democracy and light community in the East Asian region

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## Exchange and Cooperation in the Asian World Program

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#TheAsianWorld #ExchangeNetworks #ArchaeologicalHistoricalMaterials #Interdisciplinary\_ConvergentResearch #MovementofPeopleThingsIdeas #Diaspora

The Exchange and Cooperation in the Asian World Program aims to identify the various exchange networks that existed in the 'Asian World' and to trace their diachronic developments. Due to the vastness of the study area and the diversity of the research topics involved, this program seeks to establish a new research framework for 'Asian Regional Studies' through an interdisciplinary and convergent approach. Empirical research on past networks can demonstrate how 'mobility' and 'connectivity' have contributed to the formation and reproduction of the Asian World, and also provides insights on exchange and cooperation in the contemporary Asian World.

Research goals for 2022-2024 include the construction of an 'Archaeological and Historical Evidence for Exchange in the Asian World Database' for empirical research of various exchange networks that created the Asian World. The program will also carry out in-depth research on how people, things, and ideas have moved across borders.

### Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Theoretical and methodological consideration of the Asian World: Exploring Asian World composed on networks
- \* Empirical studies on the exchange networks of the Asian World: Tracing the mobility of people, things, and ideas
- \* Comparative research on the maritime worlds of Eurasia's eastern and western ends



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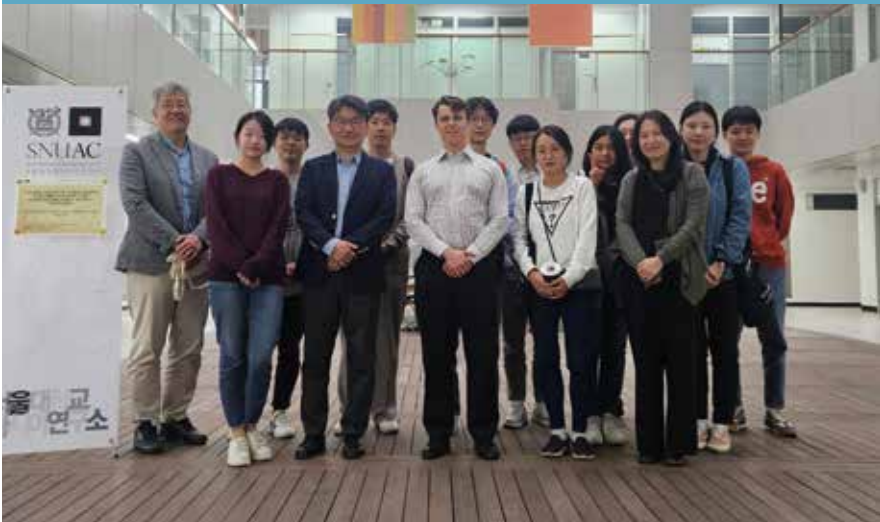
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#IntellectualValues #FajiaSchoolofThought #Confucianism #Taoism #LegalTexts #TheAnalects #IdealSociety

The values present in Asia's intellectual traditions can well demonstrate what it is to be 'Asian'. The Program on Asia's Intellectual Values revisits Asia's ideological traditions in order to identify and establish the meaning of pre-modern Asian values. This attempt to illuminate Asian values from a fresh perspective is undertaken through multi-disciplinary and convergent research.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Discovering Asian values in the Fajia School of Thought: Examining legal texts
- \* Discovering Asian values in Confucianism: Re-reading the Analects
- \* Discovering Asian values in shamanistic folk religion
- \* Discovering Asian values in Buddhism



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#SpeculativeUrbanization #PostGangnam-ization #PlatformUrbanism #UrbanCommons #UrbanTransition

The Center for Asian Urban Societies (CAUS) aims to suggest post-developmental city paradigm and the urban transition strategy, which help Asian cities overcome the limitations of developmental urbanization and establish a human-centered urban community. It also wants to contribute citizens to make alternative daily lives by making and flourishing commons-oriented urban platforms as social-cultural-spatial infrastructures. The Center strives to disseminate its research results to society through active policy proposals. Further, it establishes research-based urban solidarity through domestic and overseas research and activity networks.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Constructing commons-oriented urban platforms as social-cultural-spatial infrastructures of 'Post-Gangnamization'
- \* Analyzing social-cultural-spatial process of speculative urbanization
- \* Researching urban living and everyday lives and seeking alternatives: 100 livings and 100 everyday lives
- \* Developing urban transition strategies for 'Post-Gangnamization'
- \* Pioneering experiments and policy proposals to establish an institutional foundation for commons-based urban transition



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#Hallyu #KoreanPopularCulture #Archiving #CreativeIndustry #HallyuStudies

Hallyu, referring to the significant overseas popularity of Korean popular culture, has been rapidly developing into a global cultural phenomenon beyond Asia and greatly changing Korea's realistic and imaginary relations in the world. At a point when Korea has to reinstate a national image that befits its status as an advanced country, the importance of Hallyu as a soft power became much larger. The Center for Hallyu Studies seeks to be the hub of Hallyu Studies by activating networks at home and abroad and re-establishing the meaning of studying Hallyu. To do this, the center will theorize Hallyu studies, which has been sporadically conducted in several areas; formulate important issues; and pursue transdisciplinary research and formation of a global network of researchers. The center will construct a foundation for Hallyu studies through integrated research, disseminate research outcomes through publications and academic events, and conduct various projects that can contribute to society.



## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* CHS 100 Min. Talk Series: Inviting scholars who have published significant works on Hallyu and popular culture to create a field of academic discussion
- \* Roundtable Talk: Providing opportunities for experts in academia and industry related to Hallyu and Korean popular culture to share diverse perspectives; forming a network of facilitators and researchers
- \* Archiving Hallyu Project: ① Archiving and conducting meta-analysis of publications on Hallyu studies from domestic and international sources ② Constructing database of broadcast footage and social media content, which are major materials for Hallyu studies
- \* English translation of academic books in humanities and social sciences related to Korean popular culture: Translating important research monographs published in Korean into English for promoting balanced development and enhanced visibility of international academic discourses related to Hallyu
- \* Performing other research projects related to Hallyu and participating in projects pursued by researchers and partner networks of the center

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#AsianMigrationDB #KoreanMigrationPolicy #Social\_Integration #Migration\_Governance #EastAsianComparative Studies

The Center for Asian Migration Studies(CAMS) concentrates on basic research for exploring, understanding, and explaining the status, characteristics, and prospects of migration and immigration over countries, regions, and continents. At the same time, the center seeks to establish itself as a hub of Asian migration studies



through a network of related agents at home and abroad such as the government, academia, and civil society, in the rapid transitional process toward a multicultural society with low birthrate. To this end, the center will construct a database for Asian migration studies and create a network of migration experts within and outside the country. Through discussions and explorations of migration policy and issues with experts in Korea and other countries, the center will proliferate research outcomes through academic exchanges including conferences.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* Constructing basic database of Asian migration studies: Building a database of basic materials for migration studies such as migration scholars at home and abroad, related institutions, major literature, migration policy, academic events, publications, etc.
- \* Theorizing the characteristics of migration phenomenon within the Asian context in collaboration with National Taiwan University's Global Asia Center; developing various empirical studies and comparative study of each country's migration policy
- \* Studying the process of social integration between residents and migrants in the rapid transition to low-birthrate, aging, and multicultural society
- \* Constructing network of migration experts: aiming to function as a hub of Asian migration studies centering around a network of migration experts including international scholars, governmental organizations, international organizations, and civil society
- \* Asian migration expert colloquium: a lecture series in Asian migration studies by international scholars to discover research topics over migration in "Asia" and seek policy measures

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#Regional\_Data\_Hub #DataService #Evidence\_based\_regional\_study #Country\_Factsheet #Data\_Storytelling

The Asia Regional Information Center (ARIC) aims to establish comprehensive database including qualitative/quantitative data of countries & regions in Asia, in response to the social needs of present national and regional information. Our ultimate goal is to contribute to developing cultural intelligence competence by creating an integrated information platform for sharing various information and data, attributed by ARIC's versions of country reports and data modules.

## Main Projects and Research Topics

- \* ARIC Country Report & Factsheet: Combining regional knowledge from local experts and various indices of international organizations, regularly updating to accumulate timely information
- \* Statistical Database and Analysis Procedure: Data collection of current information from Asian countries, structural design of database, data modulation using statistical programs
- \* Data Storytelling and Visualization: Providing visualized data and analysis based on major timely issues (COVID-19) and on-demand data service based on quantitative statistical analysis
- \* Data Hub for Asia Regional Research: Developing cultural intelligence competence to better understand different cultures and to promote cultural & academic exchanges
- \* SDGs Progress (on 12 countries), ASEAN & Korea in figures (useful tool for studying and understanding ASEAN countries and Korea-ASEAN relations)



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## 2024

- \* Spring Revolution: Brave Journey towards a 'New Myanmar' | Kyunghee Choi



## 2023



- \* Knitting Asia, Weaving Development- Globalization of the Korean Apparel Industry (Edited by) Joonkoo Lee, Hyunji Kwon, Hyun-Chin Lim
- \* COVID-19 in East Asia and Aftermath- Re-globalization, Democracy and Civil Society | (edited by) Hyun-Chin Lim, Haeran Lim, Taekyoon Kim, Suk-Ki Kong
- \* Anthropology of Keijo School: From Colonialism to Militarism | Kyung-Soo Chun
- \* Critical Reflections on Korean Civil Movements and the Urgent Challenges | Suk-ki Kong, Soo-Book Cheong, Hyun-Chin Lim
- \* Indonesia: Peoples and Histories | Written by Jean Taylor, Translated by Woonkyung Yeo
- \* East Asian Struggle for Recognition | Seung-Hee Oh
- \* Asian Women Persist - Anthropologists answer Feminist questions | (Edited by) Eun Sook Jee, Gi Yeon Koo & Eunjeong Oh | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* Flying Chicks on the Grasslands | Seonhwa Lee

## 2022



- \* Smart Cities in South Asia – Structure and Directions | Jungyul Sohn, SooJin Park et al.
- \* Banjar Nyuh Kuning: Bali and People of Ubud | Jeong Jeong Hun | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* Between Blood Ally and Self-Interest: Pyongyang, Hanoi and the War in Vietnam | Do Thanh Thao Mien | **Winner of ICAS Book Prize Korean Edition | Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* The Arab Spring and Ten Years Thereafter | (Edited by) Eun Sook Jee, Gi Yeon Koo & Eunjeong Oh | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* Intangible Cultural Heritage of Asia: Policies, Institutions, and Identities | (Edited by) Jeong Won Kang
- \* Foreign Policy of the Middle Ground States on the Geopolitical Faults in Asia | (Edited by) Beomshik Shin
- \* East Asia in a New Legal Landscape: FTAs and Dispute Settlement | Jaemin Lee | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* Emerging Civic Urbanisms in Asia: Hong Kong, Seoul, Singapore, and Taipei Beyond Developmental Urbanization | Im Sik Cho, Blaz Kriznik & Jeffrey Hou
- \* Poverty and Inequality in East Asia: Work, Family and Policy | Inhoe Ku & Peter Saunders

## 2021

- \* Chinese Capitalists within the Communist Party | Taehee Yoon
- \* Global Asia: The Future of Capitalist Development and Post-Developmental States | Hyun-Chin Lim, Moongi Suh, Sangwoo Yoon & Suk-Man Hwang | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* COVID-19 AND GOVERNANCE | (Edited by) Jan Nederveen Pieterse, Haeran Lim, & Habibur Khonker
- \* Social Economy in Asia: Realities and Perspectives | (Edited by) Euiyoung Kim & Hiroki Miura
- \* Transnational Convergence of East Asian Pop Culture | (Edited by) Seok-Kyeong Hong & Dal Yong Jin
- \* Precarious Asia: Global Capitalism and Work in Japan, South Korea, and Indonesia | Arne L. Kallebergm, Kevin Hewison, & Kwang-Yeong Shin

## 2020

- \* Global media and Asian identity: beyond cultural hybridity and cultural resistance | Sunny Yoon
- \* Cold War Island: Quemoy On The Front Line | Michael Szonyi, (Translated by) Min Hwan Kim & Young Sin Jeong | **Sejong Academic Book Award**
- \* Local Community Can Answer Future Challenges: Reclaiming Local Community in Korea | Suk-Ki Kong & Hyun-Chin Lim | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* The Meiji Revolution and the Emergence of the Political Culture of the Literati | Hun Park | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* Sannong and Sanzhi: the Base and Superstructure in rural China | Wen Tiejun, Yang Shuai, (Translated by) Hyungjin Cho
- \* The Evolution of Production Networks in Asia: Comparative Advantage and Labor Share | Soonchan Park | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* WTO Dispute Settlement of ASEAN Characteristics and Changes in Global Trade Order | Heeryang Ra
- \* Characteristics of Boundaries and Crossing Boundaries in Ancient China | Jin Song | **Selected by the National Academy of Sciences as outstanding academic book**
- \* Strolling in Chinese Ancient Cities: Along Ways of Popular Culture and Urban Landscapes | Jeong-Hee Bark
- \* Politics, Society and Economy of Contemporary Islam in Central Asia | Beomshik Shin et al.
- \* Historical and Cultural Experience of Islam in Central Asia | Beomshik Shin et al.

## SNUAC HK+ Mega-Asia Research Series

- \* Introduction to Mega-Asia Studies: History, Perspective, and Method | Beomshik Shin et al.
- \* The Continent and Mega-Asia | Oh Young Kwon, Ilhong Ko, Minjae Zoh et al.
- \* The Ocean and Mega-Asia | Kyung-Chul Jou, Ilhong Ko, Oh Young Kwon et al.
- \* Driving Forces and Dynamics toward Mega-Asia | Beomshik Shin, Kyunghee Choi et al.
- \* Imagining Asia: Closed or Open | Byung-Joon Kim et al.
- \* The Imagined Making of a Transitioned Asia as a Region in the 20th Century | Jeong-Hoon Lee, Dae-yeong Youn et al.
- \* Reconstructing Asia and Asian Identity in the Post-Cold War Era | Suhong Chae, Gi Yeon Koo et al. | **Sejong Academic Book Award**
- \* Reading Asia Through Relations and Flows | Jaeyeol Yee, Jungwon Huh et al.
- \* The Geography of Asia: Nations and Cities – Northeast Asia | Sunyoung Park, Haenam Park, Woo Jin Shim et al.
- \* The Geography of Asia: Nations and Cities – Southeast Asia & South Asia | Woo Jin Shim, Myungmoo Lee et al.
- \* The Geography of Asia: Nations and Cities – West Asia & Central Asia | Gi Yeon Koo, Woo Jin Shim et al.
- \* Asia's Heritage Trend: Examining Asia's Present through Asia's Past | Jongil Kim, Minjae Zoh, Ilhong Ko et al.

## Asia Review

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
	Submission deadline for No. 1 (2/15)	Review	Publication of No. 1		Submission deadline for No. 2 (6/15)	Review	Publication of No. 2(8/31)		Submission deadline for No. 3(10/15)	Review	Publication of No. 3(12/31)

← Submissions accepted at all times →

- \* Asia Review is the triannually published academic journal of SNUAC. The journal seeks to integrate Asian regional and thematic studies through interdisciplinary studies in humanities and social sciences and present diverse research findings on topics related to Asia.
- \* The first issue of Asia Review was published in June 2011. The journal was selected as the registration candidate for the National Research Foundation, and selected as a registered journal in August 2017. Its registration status has been applied since the second issue of volume six, published on February 28, 2017.
- \* The journal is open to diverse academic approaches and methodologies and strives for academic consilience by publishing studies in various areas from politics to economy, society, culture, and history under the common topic of 'Asian Studies'.
- \* The journal promotes the development of specialized knowledge in relevant areas by supporting Asia-related research conducted by outstanding scholars through SNUAC-planned projects and publishing the results in special articles following careful selection and review.



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## Asia Brief

- \* Asia Brief is SNUAC's policy brief, established with the aim of forming an epistemic community of the Asian region transcending borders
- \* The editorial team hosts lectures and talks with experts from home and abroad on major current issues
- \* Asia Brief performs the role as a public forum for analyzing current issues of Asia and suggesting their implications to policy, developing strategies for Korea's launch into Asian market, and the construction of Mega-Asia
- \* Selects the theme of each brief with strong implication to strategy and policy based on current core regional issues



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## Diverse+Asia

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		Webzine issued			Webzine issued			Webzine issued			Webzine issued

- \* Diverse+Asia is a quarterly webzine that covers current issues in five regions of Asia through issues and special themes.
- \* The webzine performs as an online platform of Asian studies by producing timely contents and offering easily approachable professional analyses on popular issues on Asia.
- \* The articles published on the webzine have been edited as volumes in the Mega-Asia Research Series.



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## Asian Journal of Political Science

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			Publication of first issue				Publication of second issue				Publication of third issue

- \* Launched in 1993, the Asian Journal of Political Science (AJPS) is a leading journal in the field of Asian politics and governance. The aim is to provide and present the Asian perspective to scholars studying the region.
- \* AJPS has been enlisted to SCOPUS and is published three times a year (April, August, and December).
- \* The journal seeks to provide the basis for developing new theories in understanding Asia by introducing articles on Asian politics, policy and regional studies based on strong evidence and theories.
- \* Articles published cover current issues of Asia's politics and policy on regional, national, and international level.



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## SNUAC WEEKLY

- \* Publishes weekly news of issues and events at SNUAC for members of SNU community and Asian studies scholars in Korean and English (once every two weeks during summer and winter breaks)
- \* Provides reviews of academic events and introduces upcoming events, functioning as an online platform for researchers in Asian studies
- \* Publishes articles categorized into media, academic events, and publications of SNUAC

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## MENA Focus by the West Asia Center

- \* Publishes MENA Focus eight times a year during the first and second semesters, introducing major issues in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region each month
- \* Quickly delivers important issues from the Middle East and North Africa region, including North Africa, the Gulf region, Türkiye, Iran, and Israel
- \* Features contributions from ambassadors and diplomats from Arab and MENA countries in South Korea, introducing perspectives on the relationship and development plans between Korea and MENA countries

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## MRD Focus by the Center for Eurasian and Central Asian Studies

- \* Publishes MRD Focus each month, covering major issues related to migration, refugees, and diaspora in the Eurasia region, including West Asia, Central Asia, and Russia
- \* Features articles by experts on migration and refugee issues, as well as news about various academic events hosted by the Project Team for Migration and Refugee Studies
- \* Provides information on migration and refugee issues in the Eurasia region and introduce expert perspectives and refugee voices discussed in academic events

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## IIAS <The Newsletter> News from Northeast Asia

- \* SNUAC is in charge of providing news content related to Northeast Asia to The Newsletter, a triannual periodical published by IIAS (International Institute for Asian Studies) in the Netherlands.
- \* Experts in relevant fields are being commissioned to contribute articles on current affairs and major issues in Northeast Asia mostly being developed in Korea, China and Japan, which are then academically presented to scholars of Asian studies all around the world.

🏠 <http://www.iias.asia/the-newsletter>



## Research Internship Program

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
				Call for applications for research internship in the latter half of the year	Application review and interviews					Call for applications for research internship in the first half of the year	Application review and interviews
← Active term for research interns in the first half of the year					← Active term for research interns in the latter half of the year →						



- \* The research internship is a program to foster future Asia experts.
- \* The program provides undergraduate and graduate students from Korea and overseas interested in Asian studies with research and work experiences related to their research interests.
- \* Research interns take introductory classes in Asian studies, conduct their own seminars, organize field trips, and compose short papers. They also participate as assistants for research or administrative work at centers or teams.
- \* Certificates of completion are given and outstanding essays are awarded at the completion of the six-month program.

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## KF Global e-School Program



- \* The e-School program offers real-time online lectures to undergraduate/graduate students at reputable overseas universities interested in contemporary Korean society
- \* Students take e-School classes offered by faculty members of Seoul National University and receive regular credits from their home institutions
- \* The program consists of 1) real-time lectures via latest video meeting services (Zoom, Skype), 2) faculty visit program where the instructor visits overseas university for face-to-face meetings, and 3) fellowship program during the summer time for outstanding students taking the courses
- \* With the support of Korea Foundation, SNUAC has offered 160 courses to 23 universities in 13 countries across Asia and Europe between 2011-2023

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# ASIA Humanities Dissemination Center Programs for Humanities Education

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Mega ASIA Local Expert Course											
Mega ASIA Open university											
				ASIA Humanities Asset Course							
				ASIA Civilizational Knowledge School							
									Dungsildungsil ASIA Culture Festival		



Program	Duration	Target	Note
Mega ASIA Local Expert Course	March-July	Young adults in their twenties and thirties aspiring to be Asia local experts	Fostering program for Asia local experts
Mega ASIA Open University	Regularly	Citizens in general interested in humanities and social issues in Asia	ASIA Humanities Dissemination Center website ( <a href="http://snuachklhc.snu.ac.kr">http://snuachklhc.snu.ac.kr</a> ) and official YouTube channel ( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/snuachklhc">https://www.youtube.com/snuachklhc</a> )
ASIA Humanities Asset Course	May-June	Citizens in general interested in Asian humanities assets	Cooperating with National Museum of Korea
ASIA Civilizational Knowledge School	June-July	Citizens in general interested in Asian civilizational knowledge	Cooperating with Extension College SNU
Dungsildungsil ASIA Culture Festival	October-November	General public	National Research Foundation of Korea's Humanities Week Event

- \* ASIA Humanities Dissemination Center pursues humanities education that is bifold (incoming and outreaching).
- \* The education programs disseminate the research outcomes of three HK+ Mega-Asia Research Project Group clusters and five SNUAC regional centers to society.
- \* The center seeks to expand the targets of education and diversify the programs through cooperation with MOU partners (National Museum of Korea, Extension College SNU).
- \* Video clips of all four education programs are uploaded to the center's YouTube channel.

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## Southeast Asia Open Lectures

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
	Application open	Lectures offered	Certificates issued				Application open	Lectures offered	Certificates issued		

- \* Lectures offered for citizens interested in Southeast Asia to deepen their understanding of the region at large
- \* Invites top-level local experts of each area and field workers with long experience in each country as lecturers once a week for 4 to 5 weeks per semester
- \* Certificate issued for participation in all lectures

2023-1	Youngkyung Ko	Indonesian Economy - Transition and Opportunity
2023-2	Jeonghoon Park	Some Suggestions for Deepening Korea-Indonesia Relations
2023-3	Minji Yoo	Diplomatic Strategies and Entering ASEAN of East Timor, a Small Island
2023-4	Changwon Choi	Reflection on Korea-East Timor Relations



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## Education program for immigrants and refugees

- \* Held 4 times a year
- \* Education program for immigrants and refugees in order to contribute to our society becoming a society that respects diversity beyond prejudice, discrimination, or hatred toward immigrants or refugees.
- \* Professional instructors and refugees teach a variety of topics covering various fields such as humanities, social sciences, and arts in various formats such as lectures, workshops, plays, and games.



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## Visiting Scholars Program



### Online Application (Four times a year)

- ※ Starting date of visit:  
3/1, 6/1, 9/1, 12/1
- ※ At least 3 months prior to  
desired visiting period



Internal Review  
2 months +



Administrative Procedure  
1 month +

- \* A place of exchange for outstanding scholars interested in Asian studies
- \* Research exchanges through regular Asia Square Brown Bag Seminars every semester
- \* The basis of SNUAC's global network of researchers
- \* From 2012 to 2023, 229 visiting scholars from 31 countries in Asia, Europe, and the Americas

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## Research Exchange Network



- \* A cooperative network with Asian research institutes in Korea and abroad
- \* An institutionalized exchange based upon MOUs (signed with 50 institutions in 16 countries)
- \* Active participation in international research exchange networks: InterAsia Partnership, ICAS (International Convention of Asia Scholars), EA-ICN East-Asian Inclusive Cities Network), Future Earth, ACSS (Arab Council for Social Sciences)

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## International Joint Projects



- \* Conducting cooperative research with major African institutions: University of Ghana, University of Nairobi, Pretoria University, SAIIA, CODERISA
- \* Organizing ICAS Book Prize (Korean Edition) for outstanding academic works on Asia
- \* East-Asian Inclusive Cities Network (EA-ICN): Participating in an international cooperative network for East Asian researchers and activists for dealing with problems of cities
- \* Participating in Future Earth in Asia Regional Committee and organizing joint researches and academic events
- \* SNUAC-Kyushu-Toyo Co-lecture Series (2022-23)
- \* Korea-Japan Social Innovation Joint Workshop Series (SNUAC-Doshisha University)
- \* Green Industrial Policy in the Age of Rare Metals (GRIP-ARM): Cooperating with and participating in the international research network organized by the International Institute of Social Studies at Erasmus University, Netherlands
- \* Asia Migration Workshop: Research on the migration in Northeast Asia (Korea, Taiwan, Japan, etc) with National Taiwan University Global Asia Research Center



## Visiting Scholars Fellowship

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
	Announcement for fall fellowship	Application closed		Announcement of fall fellowship recipients	Submission of relevant documents		Announcement for spring fellowship	Application closed		Announcement of spring fellowship recipients	Submission of relevant documents
Active term for spring fellowship						Active term for fall fellowship					

- \* Supports outstanding research related to Asia and promotes the academic exchanges between visiting scholars and researchers at SNUAC
- \* Provides research space and grants for researchers specializing in Asian studies
- \* Started in March 2018, Visiting Scholars Fellowship has been operated through open calls every six months



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## SNUAC Research Grants for Asian Studies

Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Call open for research projects and publication projects	Application closed	Evaluation	Notification of selection and contract signed				Mid-term presentation

- \* The grant responds to the necessity of the times for Asian studies, reconstructs the West-oriented methodologies of the discipline, and embodies the originality and autonomy of academic research.
- \* Since 2010, SNUAC has been supporting research projects with global implications and Asian contexts with KRW 10,000,000–30,000,000 yearly.

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## Dissertation Writing Fellowship

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Announcement for dissertation writing fellowship	Application closed	Assessment	Announcement of recipients and signing of research contracts

- \* Supports doctoral students in Korea who have completed their coursework and are currently writing their dissertations on topics related to Asia
- \* As a representative project for fostering academic future generation, supports KRW 1,000,000 monthly for a year, up to KRW 12,000,000
- \* Since 2014, 41 doctoral students have been selected and supported

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## Master's Thesis and Doctoral Dissertation Award

Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Announcement for application	Application closed	Assessment			Recipients announced	Award ceremony

- \* Selects outstanding recent master's theses and doctoral dissertations to grant prize money and support their publication
- \* Aims to foster the new generation of scholars in humanities and social science who pursue Asian studies
- \* A total of 20 doctoral dissertations since 2014 and 11 master's theses since 2018 have been awarded
- \* Prize money sponsored by President Sungkwon Hong of Sangam Energy Co. Ltd. from 2020 to 2022, and sponsored by Professor Emeritus Chung Si Ahn since 2023



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## Field Research Grant

Jan	Feb	Mar ~ Following Feb	Following Mar
Announcement for field research grant	Application closed	Document screening and interviews	Field research conducted
			Presentation of research results



- \* Supports graduate students who require field research to write their master's theses and doctoral dissertations related to Asia
- \* Provides graduate students at SNU who study topics in humanities and social science related to Asia with opportunities to investigate and collect data on site

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## Supporting Student Clubs on Asian Studies

- \* Southeast Asian Study Group Grant: Fosters researchers preparing theses on Southeast Asia and constructs a network of researchers by calling for a study group of students interested in the region twice a year
- \* Supports research exchanges of KYMR, a group of rising Korea scholars studying MENA regions, and fosters next-generation scholars by supporting university student clubs studying West Asian regions
- \* Supports Eurasia Research Group, a student club for Central Asian and Eurasian studies, to foster academic future generations and form networks
- \* SNU Africa Studies: Encourages vibrant academic exchange among scholars studying African regions through sharing, presenting and discussing the latest research trends and news in Africa with the aim of contributing to the development of future generations



## 1. How can I collaborate with SNUAC as a researcher involved in Asian regional studies?

Currently, the International Exchange Department is promoting mutual exchanges among researchers engaged in Asia studies through the **visiting scholar program and fellowship**. Further, there are various opportunities provided by SNUAC to share research achievements through article submissions to our KCI journal *Asia Review* and Asia Regional Review Webzine *Diverse+Asia* and application to ICAS Book Prize for outstanding works on Asia (Korean Edition) that SNUAC organizes. SNUAC also promotes cooperation with not only individual researchers but also Asia-related research institutes through the Council of Asia Research Institutes at SNU (CARISNU).

## 2. Through which channel can I obtain data related to Asia?

SNUAC is professionally accumulating and sharing data on Asian studies. ARIC (<https://aric.snu.ac.kr>) provides integrated data from international organizations along with metadata. Factsheets are offered with visual resources by country and topic. Mega-Asia Information Sharing Platform ([http://snuac-hk.snu.ac.kr?page\\_id=3024](http://snuac-hk.snu.ac.kr?page_id=3024)) offers visual resources on value research from major Asian cities, storytelling on old maps, and North Korean archaeological data.

## 3. Which programs of SNUAC can undergraduate students participate in?

The Human Resources Development Department operates **research internship** for undergraduate and graduate students interested in Asian studies, as a part of its training program for fostering future Asian experts. The internship is operated in six-month terms and provides opportunities for students to experience research and field work related to their research interests.

## 4. Which programs of SNUAC can graduate (master's and doctoral) students participate in?

SNUAC operates various grant programs for graduate students working with topics related to Asia. Our major programs are the **dissertation writing fellowship**, which supports doctoral students in Korea in the last stage of writing their dissertations for one year, and the **master's thesis and doctoral dissertation award** that provides prize money and publication support for recent outstanding dissertations. Graduate students at SNU can apply for the field research grant that supports on-site research for dissertations related to Asia. Also, graduate students may participate in the **research internship** program designed for training.

## 5. How can I participate in the academic events of SNUAC?

SNUAC is holding various seminars, colloquiums and special lectures under the methodological framework of 'Asian studies combining regional and thematic research'. SNUAC's academic events are generally **open to all**, including researchers, students and the general public who wish to participate (except for special cases with explicit limitations). Information regarding upcoming academic events can be found via SNUAC's diverse public relations channels (**homepage/Facebook/Twitter/YouTube/weekly newsletter <SNUAC WEEKLY>**). After the events, information such as photos, reviews and videos of the respective events is available on SNUAC homepage.

Researchers interested in research grants for Asian studies

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Institutes wishing to sign MOUs with SNUAC or start research cooperation and exchange

International Exchange Department

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Scholars wishing to visit SNUAC to research

Visiting Scholar Program/Visiting Scholar Fellowship

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Researchers seeking to disseminate their research achievements

KCI journal *Asia Review*

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Asia Brief

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Asia Regional Review Webzine *Diverse+Asia*

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ICAS Book Prize (Korean Edition)

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Undergraduate/graduate students interested in Asian studies

Research Internship

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Researchers/students/public wishing to participate in academic events

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Researchers, graduate students, and the general public interested in humanities of Asian regional education

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Researchers/students/public seeking to make use of data related to Asian studies

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