Spring 2025 Application

Graduate School of Public Administration

KOREA UNIVERSITY
Graduate School of Public Administration

Spring 2025 Application
Graduate School of Public Administration

About GSPA

Our school empowers future public service professionals to achieve their global competency and forward-looking vision. Our school creates an educational experience for public-spirited students focused on organizational innovation for public problem solving; performance management; strategic planning; policy analysis and assessment; conflict management and collaborative governance. Our school prepares students to be practitioners with field-oriented problem-solving capacity for various public agendas based on a robust understanding of advanced national policy and public administration theories.
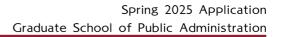
▶ Specialized education

Offer specialized education based on advanced theories and scientific analyses on public management and various public policy sectors

▶ Field-oriented problem-solving education

Offer a curriculum that pursues organic integration of theory and practice based on an educational program that encourages students from public agencies to bring pending issues of their organizations to the class, apply theories and techniques learned from this program to conduct in-depth analyses, and develop solutions through presentations and discussions.

▶ Globalization education

Pursue globalized education with consulting competence training program for use in official development assistance (ODA); global dual-degree educational program; educational program for international public officers from developing countries

Academic programs

[Public Administration]

The Public Administration program at the GSPA is designed to develop professionals at all levels of public service management.

The core purpose of the Public Administration program is to educate students for professional careers in public areas including governmental innovation, public organization, personnel, finance, performance management & policy evaluation, and collaborative governance. Through instruction by leading academic scholars and engagement with policy problems in the real field, the Public Administration curriculum encourages students to develop professional skills necessary for the rapidly changing policy circumstances and needs in the twenty-first century.

[Public Policy]

The Public Policy program at the GSPA is an applied graduate program dedicated to preparing students for careers across a range of governmental agencies, think tanks, and consultancies.

The Public Administration program is designed to develop public service-minded professionals with policy analysis skills. The Public Administration curriculum lets you learn across a range of areas including economics, industry, finance, tax, land development, education, environment, police, and national defense. Classes are delivered with a combination of traditional lectures and case studies that encourages students to build strong policy analysis skills to understand complex problems in contemporary society and craft concrete solutions.

[Development Policy]

The Master of Public Policy (MPP) program at the Graduate School of Public Administration is an applied graduate program for domestic and foreign practitioners interested in Korean development policies & public administration and Korean-style Official Development Assistance (ODA).

▶ Areas of Study

A student may choose either to specialize in a single specific area of study.

▶ Korean Development Policy

The central purpose of the Korean Development Policy area is to educate students on Korean-style ODA with multiple policy lenses including Industrial Policy, Science and Technology Policy, Environmental Policy, and Culture & Arts Policy. With a combination of theoretical lectures and field studies of the Korean developmental policy, the curriculum encourages students to build expertise to diagnose and analyze pending issues for sustainable ODA.

▶ Korean Development Administration

The central purpose of the Korean Development Administration area is to educate students on Korean Public Administration including bureaucracy, conflict management, performance management, and e-Government.

Admissions

1. Schedule

- Online Application: Nov. 4(Mon) 09:00 – Nov. 18(Tue) 17:00, 2024 (KST)
- Application Materials Submission: Nov. 4(Mon) 09:00 – Nov. 20(Wed) 17:00, 2024 (KST)
- Online Interview: Dec. 3(Tue) 14:00, 2024 (KST)
- Result Release: Dec. 20(Fri) 10:00, 2024 (KST)

2. Degree Programs

Department	Major	Degree	Lecture Type	Language
Public Administration	–	MPA/Ph.D	In class	Korean/English
Public Policy	–	MPP/Ph.D		
Development Policy	Development Policy	MPP	Online	English
	Development Administration	MPA		

3. Eligibility

▶ Master's degree

The applicant must have completed regular primary, secondary, and higher education, equivalent to Grades 1 to 12, and Bachelor's in the Korean education system, either in Korea or overseas, by February 2025.

▶ Doctoral degree

The applicant must have completed regular primary, secondary, and higher education, equivalent to Grades 1 to 12, Bachelor's and master's in the Korean education system, either in Korea or overseas, by February 2025.

Application Guide

Online application and fee payment
Nov. 4(Mon) 09:00 – Nov. 18(Mon) 17:00, 2024 (KST)

a. Access the online application website directly (www.uwayapply.com) or through the application guide at the GSPA website (https://gdp.korea.ac.kr) by the stated deadline.

b. Sign up as a user, fill in the online application, and make a fee payment
   - application fee: 80,000 KRW (including online application preparation service fee)
   * Same for all degree programs including MPA, MPP.

c. Print out the online application submission slip.

d. There might be a sudden increase in website traffic on the application deadline, so please complete your application before the due date if possible.

e. Our school outsources the online application process, and personal information (applicant name, resident registration number, phone number, email address, educational background, etc.) collected through this process will be used only for admission. According to Personal Information Protection Act and related statutes, our school receives an Agreement on the Collection and Usage of Personal Information and an Agreement on the Educational Background Check.

Application materials submission
Nov. 4(Mon) 09:00 – Nov. 20(Wed) 17:00, 2024 (KST)

a. One who completed an online application and paid the application fee can only submit application materials.

b. Application materials must be submitted via postal mail. All supporting materials must arrive by **Nov. 20, 2024 at 17:00 (KST).**

Mail address	Public Policy Building Room #427, 2511, Sejong-ro, Jochiwon-eup, Sejong-si, 30019, Republic of Korea

c. After 2-3 days after the submission, please log in to the online application website (www.uwayapply.com) and check the document arrival status.

d. All supporting materials must be put into one envelope, sealed by

e. Failure to submit application materials will be treated as an abandoned application, and the applicant will be excluded from the interview (oral test).
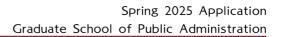
Interview (Oral test)
Dec. 3(Tue) 14:00, 2024 (KST)

a. The interview for Spring 2025 admission will be conducted via Zoom.

 * Dates can be changed for Development Policy (Online MPA/MPP) according to the applicant status.

b. Detailed information about online interviews will be announced on **Dec. 2, 2024, 14:00 (KST)** via the GSPA website.

c. Please bring the test identification slip (which can be printed via the online application website).

d. Notice for online interview: An applicant must participate in the online interview in a separate space. The recording of the interview process is strictly banned. The admission will be revoked if one leaks information about the interview.

f. Failure to attend the interview will be treated as disqualification.

Submission Document List(via postal mail)

Category	Documents	Notes
Required	① List of Application Documents	- Must be filled in through the online application system - Print out after online application and <u>sign the name of an applicant</u> - <u>Strikethrough with a double line when the document is not – required, and write down "Not applicable"</u>
	② Copy of Online Application	- Applicant's photo must be submitted through the online application system - <u>Must be signed</u>
	③ Official Graduation Certificate for Bachelor's Degree	- An original copy issued within 3 months must be submitted
	④ Official Bachelor's Transcript	
	⑤ Agreement on the Collection and Usage of Personal Information	- Must be filled in through the online application system
	⑥ Agreement on the Educational Background check	- <u>Must be signed</u>
	⑦ Statement of Purpose(SOP)	- Must be filled in through the online application system
Required for Ph.D.	⑧ Official Graduation Certificate for Master's Degree	- An original copy issued within 3 months must be submitted
	⑨ Official Master's Transcript	
	⑩ Summary of Master's Thesis	- Must be filled in through the online application system

Category	Documents	Notes
Additional	⑪ Proof of Employment	- Submit if applicable
	⑫ Business Registration Certificate	
	⑬ Proof of Language Proficiency	- Submit if applicable - Authorized language proficiency test scores of English (TOEFL, TEPS, IELTS, and TOEIC) within the validity period (2 years) are accepted - Only original copy of test score is accepted - Submitted documents will not be returned - TOEFL ITP, TOEFL Home Edition, and IELTS Home Test (Indicator) are not accepted
	⑭ Apostille Stamps	- Apostille stamps are required for an applicant who graduated from schools abroad
	⑮ Optional Documents	- Submit if needed

* Required document for graduates of Foreign Universities(include graduate schools)

a. Apostille confirmation or Korean consul (or diplomatic consulate in Korea) confirmation from the country of origin. (However, for Chinese universities, degree certificates issued by the Chinese Ministry of Education's Academic Degree Certification Center, diplomas, and English translation notarized copies of diplomas)

b. English transcript or notarized Korean (or English) translation.

c. Academic Background Inquiry Agreement for inquire and reply to the applicant's history of graduated college education. (required signature)

d. Passport copy for Non-Korean nationals who need a visa.

e. Other identification for Non-Korean nationals who wish to apply for the Department of Development Policy (online master's course) must submit.

f. TOPIK level 4 or higher for Non-Korean nationals who wish to apply for the Department of Public Administration and Policy.

Note to Applicants

a. Online application entry, application fee payment, and submission of documents must be completed within each designated period.

b. The entered application form and submitted documents cannot be changed or canceled, and the application fee and submitted documents are not returned under any circumstances.

c. Duplicate application is not allowed in any case by department, or major.

d. Admission will be revoked if the admission was accepted in an unfair way or false information was found in the application form.

e. If students who are expected to graduate or obtain a degree do not graduate or obtain a degree before the date of admission, the admission will be canceled.

f. All submitted documents must be submitted in original form, and additional documents will not be accepted.

Result Release and Registration

a. **Announcement of successful applicants: Dec. 20(Fri) 10:00, 2024 (KST)**
   - Check your admission status on the GSPA website(gdp.korea.ac.kr) → Check 'Notice of Acceptance' section.
   - The list of successful applicants will not be notified separately or individually. Only can be viewed in the "Notice of Acceptance" section.

b. Successful applicants must be register within the designated registration period. If they do not register, their acceptance will be cancelled.

c. **Registration period: Jan. 8(Wed) 09:00 ~ Jan. 10(Fir) 16:00, 2025 (KST)**

d. If there is an unregistered person, it can be filled in the order of preliminary successful applicants.
   - If preliminary successful applicants are eligible for additional successful applicants, we will contact by e-mail and if there is no reply within 3 days, it is considered that there is no intention to register and is excluded from additional recruitment.

Fee and Financial Support

a. Admission fees: 1,234,000 won (KRW)

b. Tuition: 6,572,000 won (KRW)

   * Admission fees and Tuition are based on the 2024 school year, and it can be change next year.

c. Financial Support

   For foreign students entering the department of development policy at this graduate school, 60% of the tuition (tuition + admission fee) for the first semester and 50% of the tuition from the second semester can be paid as a scholarship.

Academic Information
(*Refer to website for academic details)

a. Year of Class

   - Master's program: 2 years(4 semesters)

   - Doctoral program: 3 years(6 semesters)

b. Award of Degree(Graduation Requirements)

Division	Dept. of PA and PP			Dept. of DP
	Ph.D	Master (Thesis Track)	Master (Curriculum Track)	Master
Credits	Min. 36 credits (Major required 12 credits, Major elective 24 credits)	Min. 24 credits (Major required 9 credits, Major elective 15 credits)	Min. 30 credits (Major required 9 credits, Major elective 21 credits)	Min 24 credits (Basic general 6 credits Major required 9 credits, Major elective 15 credits)
Reserch	6 credits	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits
Graduation Exam	PASS	PASS	PASS	PASS
Thesis	PASS	PASS	–	–
Capstone Project	–	–	PASS (Korean, English)	PASS (English)

* What is a capstone project? Performing assignments designated by the instructor for a certain period of time and submitting the results of the assignments.

Lecture Guide

a. Lecture Schedule

▶ Dept. Public Administration and Public Policy

 - From Tuesday to Friday: 19:00 ~ 21:50 (KST)

 - Saturday: 1st period(10:00 ~ 12:50) / 2nd period(14:00 ~ 16:00)

▶ Dept. Development Policy

 - From Tuesday to Friday: 19:00 ~ 21:50 (KST)

 - Saturday: 1st period(10:00 ~ 12:50) / 2nd period(14:00 ~ 16:00)

b. Lecture Place

▶ Dept. Public Administration and Public Policy

 - Korea University Sejong Campus, Public Policy Building

▶ Dept. Development Policy

 - Online

w e b s i t e : gdp.korea.ac.kr

t e l l : 044-860-3825~6

E - m a i l : gre017@korea.ac.kr

a d r e s s : Public Policy Building Room #427,
2511, Sejong-ro, Jochiwon-eup,
Sejong-si, 30019, Republic of Korea