

# D G I S T

**2025 UNDERGRADUATE  
ADMISSIONS GUIDE  
FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**INNOVATIVE  
UNIVERSITY  
CHANGING  
THE WORLD  
THROUGH  
CONVERGENCE**

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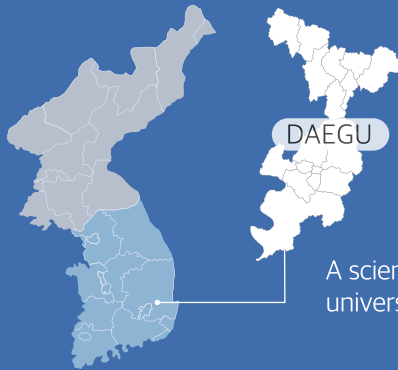
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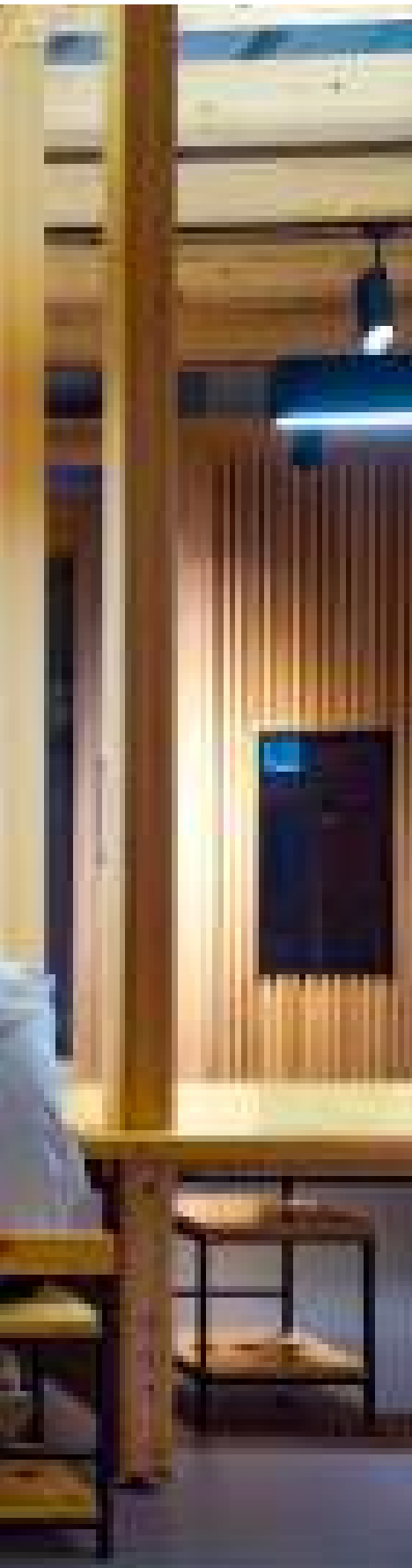
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# DGIST at a GLANCE



A science and engineering university to benefit society

- 2004**  
Founded as a  
Research Institute
- 2011**  
Opened  
Graduate School  
[M.S. & Ph.D. programs]
- 2014**  
Opened  
Undergraduate School



## SCHOOLS and RESEARCH INSTITUTES/CENTERS

### College of Transdisciplinary Studies

#### School of Undergraduate Studies

Semiconductor Engineering

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#### Graduate School

Physics and Chemistry  
Electrical Engineering and Computer Science  
Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering  
Energy Science and Engineering  
Brain Sciences  
New Biology  
Interdisciplinary Studies

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#### Major Research Institutes & Centers

Brain Engineering Convergence Research Center  
Magnetics Initiative Life Care Research Center  
Research Center for Extreme Exploitation of Dark Data  
DGIST-LBNL Research Center for Emerging Materials  
Research Center for Resilient Cyber Physical Systems  
DGIST-ETH Microrobotics Research Center  
Core Protein Resources Center  
Global Center for Bio-Convergence Spin System  
Convergence Research Center for Microlaser Technology  
Well Aging Research Center  
Center for Proteome Biophysics  
Research Center for Thin Film Solar Cells  
Convergence Research Advanced Centre for Olfaction

- Digital Innovation Research Institute
  - Institute of Next-generation Semiconductor Convergence Technology
  - Center for Digital Productivity Innovation Cluster / Sensorium Institute
- ICT Research Institute
  - Division of Electronics & Information System
  - Division of Automotive Technology / Division of Intelligent Robot
- Materials Research Institute
  - Division of Energy Technology / Division of Nanotechnology / Division of Biotechnology
- Korea Brain Research Institute

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#### Office of University-Industry Cooperation

Center for Technology Commercialization  
Center for Technology Startup Education  
Collaborative center for AI

# FACTS & FIGURES

## Members

### Faculty & Staff

**740**

- Faculty 213
- Administrative Staff 340
- Researcher 187

### Student

**2,079**

- Bachelor's 1,093
- Master's 316
- PhD 202
- Integrated MS-PhD 408
- Combined UG-G 60

### Alumni

**2,162**

- Bachelor's 956
- Master's 844
- Ph.D. 362

### Gender Ratio

**2.2 : 1**

(Male : Female)

### International Members

**8.3%**

of graduate students are international

**7.5%**

of faculty members are international

### Student-Faculty Ratio Statistics

**9.7 : 1**

(Student : Professor)



YOUNG UNIVERSITY RANKING 2024



# World 33rd Korea 3rd

Field-Weighted Citation Impact

# 1.38

(2019~2023)

Citation per Publication

# 15.6

(2019~2023)



# AN INNOVATIVE UNIVERSITY CHANGING THE WORLD

We are entering an era of unprecedented innovation and rapid change that will reshape the ways we live and work. DGIST will empower students to lead this change and make a positive impact on the world

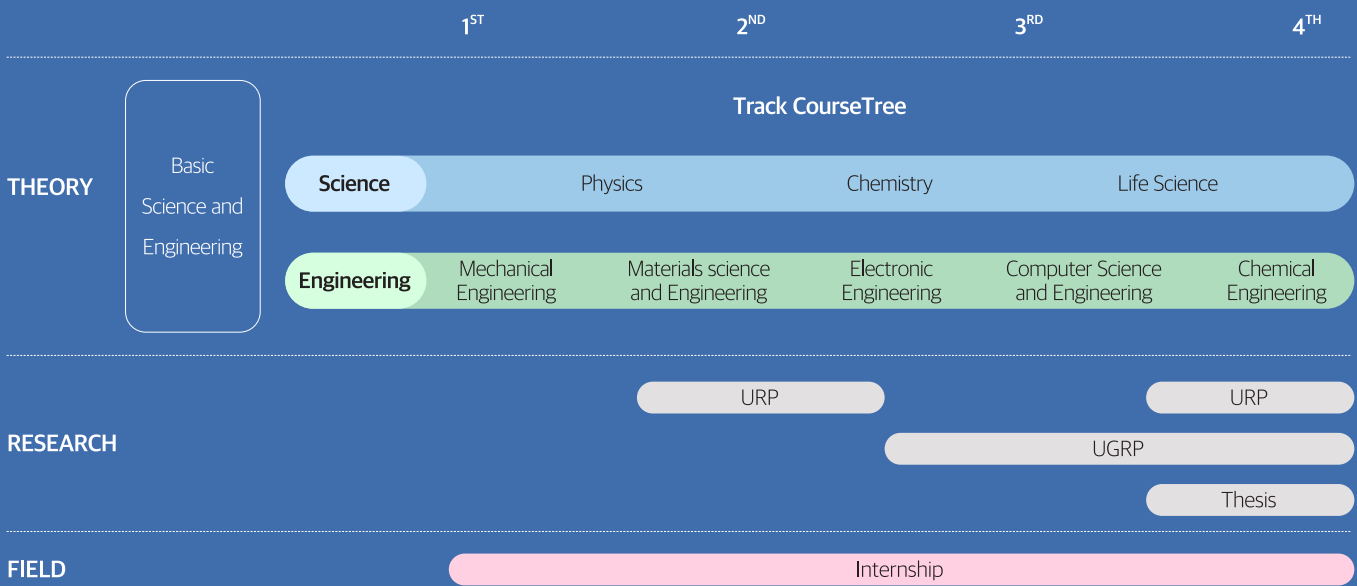




## UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

DGIST holds 'single-major' system. At the first year, students study basic subjects on science and engineering. Then students get to design their own curriculum depending on '8 Tracks'. 8 Tracks indicate eight fields of science, and the tracks provide students with guidance for making their own academic plans.

## CURRICULUM



### Flexible Major Selection

Enroll in major courses that align with your career plans.



### Double Major for All Students

Within the 130 credit graduation requirement, you can complete up to two majors.



### Major Recognition

A major is recognized upon completion of 27 credits, and a minor is recognized upon completion of 18 credits.

- Undergraduate Research Program (URP) : Faculty-directed individual research program on topics of students' interest
- Undergraduate Group Research Program (UGRP) : Student-led group research program on topics of students' choice
  - Learning through hands-on projects
  - Key areas : Robotics and Mechanical engineering, Information Technology(Software), Information Technology(Hardware), Bioscience and Biotechnology, Materials science and engineering



# PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS

## GLOBAL PROGRAM

### FGLP

#### (Freshman Global Leadership Program)

FGLP allows students to take regular classes in various fields at the prestigious universities around the world during summer vacation. The program will provide students with opportunities to experience different cultures, as well as unique chances to strengthen their global capabilities.

※ Support worth 10,000,000KRW(around 7,600USD) will be provided

### DURA

#### (DGIST Undergraduate Research Award)

DURA is a research internship program allowing students to experience world-renowned research institutes and universities, which will be helpful for career design.

※ Subsidies (1,000,000KRW(766USD) ~ 3,000,000KRW (2,299USD)) will be provided, depending on the program

### Credit Exchange Program

Students can study at universities in other countries (one semester ~ one year), with successful transfer of the credits to DGIST for timely graduation.

※ Subsidies (1,500,000KRW(1,130USD) ~ 3,000,000KRW (2,299USD)) will be provided, depending on the period of the program



## RESEARCH PROGRAM

### UGRP

#### (Undergraduate Group Research Program)

UGRP is a student-driven research project. Students make a group of five students at third/fourth-year, to decide, plan and complete the project by themselves.

## INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

### GIIA

#### (Global Industry Internship Award)

GIIA is a program that provides on-the-job training opportunities at companies in other countries. Participation is also counted as credits.

※ Subsidies (1,000,000KRW(766USD) ~ 3,000,000KRW(2,299USD)) will be provided

### Domestic Internship Program

The program offers opportunities to experience at DGIST Graduate School and research institutes, including other local research-based companies during winter and summer vacation (five weeks approx.).

The program will allow students to participate in their desired field of study and to further gain practical experience for their future career.







# SCHOLARSHIPS & STUDENT SUPPORT

## 1. SCHOLARSHIPS



**Full Tuition Waiver :**  
3,845,000KRW(around 2,800USD)  
per semester



**Monthly Support :**  
Up to approximately 660,000KRW(around 470 USD)  
per month



- Granted total amount can vary from a student's GPA, credits, etc.
- Tuition fee is fully waived, and will not be refunded individually

## \* SCHOLARSHIP SPECIFICS

TYPE	BENEFITS	CONDITIONS & REQUIREMENTS
<b>Tuition Fee</b>	Fully Waived • 3,845,000KRW / Semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For all international students without special conditions</li> <li>• Granted for 8 semesters only</li> </ul>
<b>Student Financial Aid &amp; Scholarships</b>	1. Financial Aid • 328,500KRW / Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Granted for 8 semesters only, excluding vacation periods</li> <li>• Granted when gained credit is more than 10 credits ※ Not granted during school disciplinary periods imposed school due to improper behavior, etc.</li> <li>※ Not granted if academic probation is granted for the previous semester</li> </ul>
	2. Int. Student Scholarship (DGISTep) • 330,000KRW / Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Granted for 8 semesters only, including vacation periods ※ Not granted when gained credit is below 10 credits or granted with academic probation for the previous semester</li> </ul>
	3. Academic Excellence Scholarship (DGISTep-S) • 1,500,000KRW / Semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not granted for the first semester of freshman year</li> <li>• Granted when achieved GPA for previous semester is above 3.7 out of 4.3 scale (Freshman) or above 4.0 out of 4.3 scale (Sophomore or above) and gain at least 15 credits in the previous semester</li> </ul>
<b>Settlement subsidy</b>	500,000KRW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Granted for one time only</li> <li>• Granted to all international undergraduates</li> </ul>

## 2. HEALTH INSURANCE

Foreign students qualify for the same insurance benefits as Korean citizens

DGIST provides 100% of monthly insurance contributions individually paid by international students(70,000KRW / Month)

## 3. HOUSING

- DGIST will reserve a room in on-campus student dormitory after receiving information on the estimated date of arrival at DGIST and departure from DGIST of each student
- Dormitory fee is NOT covered by scholarship. Students must pay for dormitories individually  
※ fees are subject to change, depending on the admission year



# Admissions Guide





# ADMISSIONS GUIDE

## ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

Admission acceptance will be made on an overall evaluation based on the submitted application & supporting documents by assessing the applicant's academic abilities and potential, communication skills, personal accomplishments, extracurricular activities, etc.

## ADMISSION QUOTA

The specific quota is not predetermined. Information related to the number of applicants and the acceptance rate will not be disclosed.

## ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must meet both requirements mentioned below;

**(Requirement#1)** Applicants who have graduated or will graduate from his/her high school by the registration deadline

**(Requirement#2)** Applicants with foreign citizenship and satisfy one of the following requirements;

1. Neither of the applicant's parents is a Korean citizen

OR

2. For applicants of Korean Origin, he/she must have received his/her entire elementary, junior high, and high school education OUTSIDE OF KOREA at a comparable and equivalent level of the provided in Korea.

## IMPORTANT NOTES

- Applicants who hold Korean citizenship (dual citizenship) are NOT ELIGIBLE to apply as international students.
- DGIST does not acknowledge alternative qualification examinations and programs such as GED, home schooling, online courses and other such qualifications for the international student admission process.
  - Students who have participated in cyber learning from their school due to COVID are eligible if they submit explanatory letter and evidence)
- If an applicant has only one guardian, the legal guardian's citizenship will be considered for the applicant's eligibility
  - Evidential documents must be submitted to prove the legal guardianship and custody for the guardian)
- DGIST does not have transfer program for international students. All applicants must apply as a freshman
- If the applicant of non-Korean origin meets the eligibility requirements, the applicant from high school in Korea is eligible to apply
  - i.e. a foreign student attending a Korean high school / 국내고교 출신 외국인 학생)
- International schools located in Korea are NOT acknowledged as foreign schools.

# ADMISSION TIMELINE

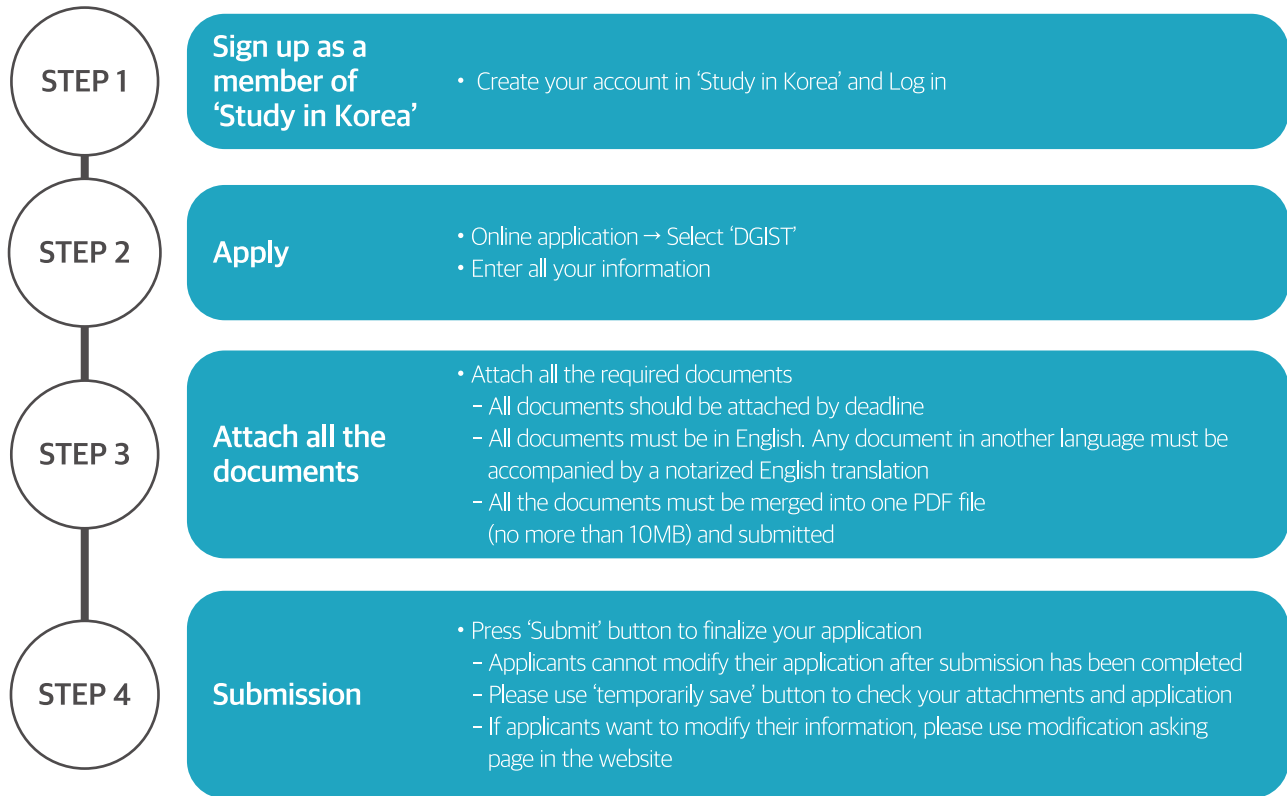
CLASSIFICATION	TIME PERIOD	REMARKS
Online Application	10:00 December 4, 2024 ~ 18:00 February 3, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admission: <a href="http://studyinkorea.go.kr">studyinkorea.go.kr</a></li> <li>No modification is allowed after application deadline</li> </ul>
Document Submission		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Document submission is only possible via online</li> </ul>
Application Evaluation & Interview	Until April 2025	
Announcement of Acceptance & Enrollment	April 24, 2025	
Academic year start	Fall (Late August or Early September)	

※ For specific schedule of the application, check our official website(<https://dgist.ac.kr/en/>)

## IMPORTANT NOTES

- All mentioned times and dates are based on Korean Standard Time(KST).
- All applicants must read the detailed instructions in the Application Guide. Applicants are solely responsible for any disadvantages caused by providing incorrect information
- Applicants may be required to submit additional documents during the review period. Applicants are solely responsible for any disadvantages caused by providing incorrect contact information or not responding in a timely manner to the mails sent by DGIST
- All information must be entered correctly on the application form. Admission can be revoked if written items differ from facts, or in the case where the applicants have failed to disclose any fact which may have a significant impact on their admission
- Applicants who do not participate in the admission interview will be disqualified
- Applicants who have received acceptance notification from more than one university, must choose only one university. If not, the admission will be revoked
- Admitted students are not permitted to defer admission to a later semester
- Any matter not specified in the admission guide is subject to the decision of DGIST Admission committee

# APPLICATION PROCESS



# REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

## Mandatory Documents: For All Applicants

1. High School Diploma (or Certification of expected graduation)
2. High School Transcript
3. Standardized Official Test Score Report
4. Passport Copy (of both applicant & parents)
5. Official Document of Parent-Child Relationship

## Mandatory Documents: For Korean-Origin Applicants only

1. Certificate of Entry & Exit
2. Elementary & Middle School Diploma
3. Elementary & Middle School Transcript
4. Loss of Korean Nationality

## Optional Documents: For All Applicants

1. English Proficiency Test Score Report
2. Honors & Awards
3. High School Profile
4. Recommendation Letter

# DOCUMENT SUBMISSION GUIDELINE

## Mandatory Documents: For All Applicants

1

### High School Diploma (or Certification of expected graduation)

- If a certificate of (expected) graduation is unavailable, applicants may submit a certificate of enrollment or an official document from their school (confirmed by a school authority, e.g. principal) showing the applicant's (expected) graduation date

2

### High School Transcript

- Submit official transcripts from every high school attended
- Transcript must contain academic records of each semester or each year from all years of high school
  - ※ If applicants do not yet have grades from the last semester of the final year of the high school, applicants must submit a transcript updated to first semester of the last year including the last semester of coursework underway
- Transcripts may include a statement of personal rank in class or school, if available

3

### Standardized Official Test Score Report

- SAT 1, AP, IB, GCE A-Level, ACT, Certificate of International Olympiad, relevant country's qualifying test for high school graduation or college entrance exam

4

### Passport Copy (of both applicant & parents)

- Copies must show the personal information of the passport holder
- Expired documents will not be accepted
- If parent(s) do not hold valid passport, a copy of Certificate of Nationality or national ID card can be submitted.

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### Official Document of Parent-Child Relationship

- Birth certificate, Certificate of Family Relations, Citizenship Certificate, etc. can be submitted (Both the applicant's parents' name must be indicated)
  - ※ Example of Family Census Register
  - China: 户口本或是亲属关系公证
  - Philippines: Family Census
  - Indonesia: KARTU KELUARGA
  - Bangladesh: Birth Certificate(점머 까꺼즈 or 점마 싸이드티켓)
  - Vietnam: So Ho Khau or Giay khai sinh
  - Mongolia: Family Registration Certificate
  - Pakistan: Family Certificate
  - Sri Lanka: Birth Certificate(බාඹුලු)
  - Myanmar: Family Certificate(잉타웅수사옌)
  - Nepal: Birth Certificate(전마달다)
  - Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Thailand: Birth Certificate
  - Documents must be no more than six months old at the time of the application deadline.
  - In the case that an applicant has a single guardian, evidential documents must be submitted to prove that the legal guardian and custody for that guardian

## Mandatory Documents: For Korean-Origin Applicants

1

### Certificate of Entry & Exit

- The certificate of Entry & Exit must be issued by the Korean Immigration Office within 90days from the application deadline
- The certificate must contain the complete records from the applicant's date of birth to the date of submission
- Admission may be disadvantaged or rescinded if the submitted materials contain false information or if entry and exit records cannot be verified due to the use of dual passport
  - ※ In cases where applicants encounter difficulty in obtaining the Certificate of Entry & Exit, applicants may ask third party living in Korea to obtain it

2

### Elementary & Middle School Diploma

- Official Diplomas must be issued by the school, which must not be located in Korea

3

### Elementary & Middle School Transcript

- Official transcripts issued by the applicant's elementary and middle school, which must not be located in Korea

4

### Loss of Korean Nationality

- Loss or renunciation of Korean citizenship has to be proven in the documents with dates, and other details.
  - ※ Family relation certificate, Family census register, certificate of loss/renunciation of Korean nationality, etc.
- The document must contain explicit note on the loss of Korean citizenship and its date

## Optional Documents

### 1. English Proficiency Test Score Report

- TOEFL(iBT), IELTS, TEPS(New), TOEIC, Cambridge English Test(CAE, CPE), PTE Academic, Duolingo
  - ※ No minimum score is required
- Tests taken within two years prior to the deadline of the online application are valid

### 2. Proof of Honors / Awards

- Applicants may submit up to five honors and awards obtained during high school years
- The list will be valid only when testimonials or evidence are presented

### 3. High school Profile

- Profile, brochure or any official introductory materials published by the applicant's high school or Ministry of Education must be submitted
- The profile may contain school's website address, GPA rating system, college acceptance ratings, or any other relevant information that would help DGIST understand the applicant's school
- The profile must be a maximum of five pages

### 4. Recommendation Letter

- One recommendation letter will be accepted
- The letter should be written by an academic advisor(school homeroom teacher, math or science teacher, etc.)
- The letter must be written in either Korean or English, and be submitted via postal service
- The letter must arrive DGIST before the submission deadline, otherwise it will not be accepted

## IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Submission must be done through online application system, 'Study in Korea'
2. All documents must be notarized original copies that are certified as true copies of the original by a notary  
※ Original copies which are not in Korean or in English must be accompanied by a notarized English translation
3. If the applicant's name does not match with the name on any of the documents, the applicant will be excluded from the evaluation without notice
4. All documents must be merged into one-PDF file for the submission
5. Uploaded files must be in PDF Form and legible. DGIST does not hold responsibilities on the consequences occurred due to submission of PDF file that is unable to open
6. For the applicants who have graduated or will graduate high school in Korea (국내 거주하는 국내고교 출신 외국인 학생), the Specific Student Record(학생기록부) issued from the high school must be submitted
7. Any applicant, who submits a provisional graduation certificate at the time of application, must submit the official graduation certificate of their high school before the enrollment deadline
8. Admitted applicants must submit an Apostilled certificate including the official graduation certificate and other documents requested by DGIST before the deadline that will be announced
9. Admission will be rescinded if the application form or submitted documents are found to be false regardless of its time of the discovery

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[Online Application]

**Should I pay the application fee?**

We do not charge any application fee.

Q

[Online Application]

**How can I submit documents?**

All documents must be submitted as a single-merged PDF file; otherwise, your submission will be considered 'not submitted'.

Q

[Online Application]

**Do I have to choose my major at the time of my application?**

When students are first admitted to the DGIST undergraduate program, they will be inducted into the College of Transdisciplinary Studies. This 4-year program begins with basic science and engineering subjects and then progresses into specific fields of science, which are categorized into '8 tracks'.

Q

[Online Application]

**I am having trouble with the online application system. Can I submit my application by email or post?**

No, we only accept online applications through Study in Korea. If you encounter any problems with the application system, please send us an email with a screenshot to 'iug@dgist.ac.kr'.

Q

[Recommendation Letter]

**How can I submit the recommendation letter?**

We only accept recommendation letters directly from the recommender. Submission is only possible by post, and the letters must arrive before the application period deadline.

Q

[Recommendation Letter]

**I cannot get a recommendation letter from high school teacher because I graduated long time ago.**

You can get a recommendation letter from your supervisors or professors if you are employed or studying at a university.

Q

[School Documents]

**Since I am in my final semester now, I do not have grades from the 2nd semester of the final year of high school.**

You may submit a transcript updated to 1st semester of the final grade including the last semester of coursework underway. If you get admitted, you have to submit your final transcript that includes 2nd semester of your final year.

Q

[School Documents]

**What is a school profile?**

It is an official high school profile/introduction/brochure published by the applicant's high school, Department of Education, or Ministry of Education. It should contain information about your school, not about yourself. If your school does not have a profile, you can create a document with confirmation from your school authority. Additionally, we encourage you to submit your school's English website, GPA rating system, college acceptance statistics, or any other relevant information that would help us better understand your school (maximum of 5 pages).

Q

[Standardized Official Test]

**Can I submit IGCSE and AS Level Exams as Standardized Official Test Scores?**

No, IGCSE and AS Level Exams are not recognized as Standardized Official Test Scores. Please submit other certified test scores.

Q

[Standardized Official Test]

**I don't have my final IB or GCE A-Level score yet. What should I do?**

We accept IB or GCE A-Level predicted score report written by counselor or teacher at the school. Once applicants are admitted, they must submit IB diploma or GCE A-Level as soon as they receive it. If there are significant discrepancies between predicted scores and final scores, admission may be rescinded.

Q

[English Proficiency Test]

**What is the minimum requirement for EPT score?**

There is no minimum score requirement for EPT. Also, you must submit EPT result which is taken within 2 years prior to the deadline of the online application.



Q

[Other Requirements]

**My parents and I do not have passports. What should I do?**

Applicant should prepare his/her passport and submit it before the application deadline. If parent(s) does not hold a valid passport, a copy of Certificate of Nationality or national ID card, which must be in English, can be submitted instead.

Q

[ETC]

**I took TOEFL this month. Can I submit the result after the application deadline?**

We do not accept application documents after the deadline.

Q

[ETC]

**How many people will be admitted this year? Are there admission quotas by nationality?**

The quota for international undergraduate admission is not predetermined and we do not set quotas by nationality.

Q

[ETC]

**Do you admit transfer students? by email or post?**

No, we do not have the transfer program. You have to apply as a freshman student.

Q

[ETC]

**What is the medium of instruction of DGIST? Should I learn Korean?**

All lectures including basic science subjects and major courses are provided in English. However, some General Elective lectures (humanities, liberal arts, etc.) will be provided either in Korean or English.

Q

[ETC]

**Does DGIST provide scholarships for international students?**

All international undergraduate students are granted with scholarship without any separate application process. However, there are some scholarships which are only available when certain conditions are fulfilled.



Rear gate

Main gate



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Main Administration Building	E1
Department of Physics and Chemistry	E2
Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science	E3
Department of Brain Sciences / New Biology	E4
Department of Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering	E5
Department of Energy Science and Engineering	E6
Consilience Hall	E7
Central Library	E8
Laboratory Animal Resource Center	E9
Student Clubs Building	E16
Research Administration Building / ICT Research Institute	R1
Division of Nanotechnology / Biotechnology	R2
Division of Energy Technology	R3
Division of Electronics & Information System / Automotive Technology / Intelligent Robot	R4
Institute of Next-generation Semiconductor Convergence Technology	R6
University-Industry Cooperation Building	R7
Sports Complex	S1
Biseul Village (Dormitory Building)	H
Global Residence (Hotel)	H501



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