About the department

In 2020, the Department of Political Science celebrated seventy-four years of teaching, research, and public service within one of the nation's finest universities. Among the department's many strengths, we have gained notable distinction in political theory, comparative politics (including the politics of developing nations), and international relations. The department's greatest resource is its distinguished faculty. The faculty's teaching and research continue to put the program at the forefront of its field. The strength of our faculty in each of the major sub-fields is being built with an eye towards excellence, embracing a variety of approaches and methodologies.

Vision & Mission

The department’s primary mission is to provide the best possible education for students seeking to develop expertise in the field of political science by instilling solid skills in research and analytic reasoning. Its programs are well suited to students who seek rigorous training, pursue large questions about politics, and aspire to develop strengths in more than one field.

Ranking & Facts

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Activities

Scholarships & Funding

- Sim-san Scholarship (Graduate)
- Lee Seung-man Scholarship (Undergraduate)
- Mun-haeng Scholarship (Undergraduate)
- Superior Grade Scholarship (Undergraduate)

Exchanges and Partnership

- Campus Asia Program: Peking University and Nagoya University
- LMU Program: Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU Munich)
- Global Lecture Series
- SKKU-Ministry of Unification Omnibus Lecture Series

Related Institutes

- Good Democracy Research Center: The Center, directed by Associate Professor CHO Won Bin, brings distinguished faculty fellows and postdoctoral fellows together to pursue research on a broadly interdisciplinary theme on democracy. It is generously funded by the Social Science Korea (SSK) grant from the National Research Foundation of South Korea (NFR).

- Sungkyun Institute of China Studies: The Institute is the best research center for China studies in Korea. Professor LEE Hee Ok has led the Institute since its establishment. Above all, it has secured research agendas, research fellows, and research budgets autonomously, and received high praise from Korea and other countries as the representative research institute of China studies in Korea.

- Center for Global Future Strategy: Recently established and directed by Professor KIM Tae Hyo, the Center aims to address the inevitable challenges and negotiate the delicate complexities in the various domains of future global politics.
SKKU Ranking & Facts

[2021] QS World University Ranking #88

[2021] THE Asia University Ranking #10

[2020] #1 Private Comprehensive University in JoongAng Daily University Ranking

[2020] #2 The Top 1% Most Cited Articles among Korean Universities in National Research Foundation

SKKU & Samsung – 110 joint research projects

International Partnership with 754 universities in 74 countries worldwide

Founded in 1398 Oldest University in East Asia

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