

Korean Language Education Center, Jeonbuk National University





Jeonbuk National University

Jeonbuk National University is the first national university established in the southern region of South Korea. Reborn as a university that is based on empathy and innovation, JBNU has been a prestigious university that has led development on a regional and national basis. Its main campus is located in Jeonju, the most 'Korean-like' city in South Korea. There are also seven operating departments located at the Iksan campus, including Agriculture & Life Sciences and Veterinary Medicine.

It is the university's pride to be internationally recognized by QS World University Rankings, THE Asia University Rankings, and Leiden Rankings. JBNU offers reasonable tuition fee and various scholarships.

Status of Jeonbuk National University



Among Flagship Korean National Universities

The JoongAng 2023



Among Flagship Korean National Universities 2022 QS World University Rankings



Among Flagship Korean National Universities 2022 THE World University Rankings



Among Flagship Korean National Universities 2020-2022 Leiden Rankings





212th
Condensed
Matter Physics



240th
Biotechnology

258 th

Material
Engineering

Top 200 academic fields in the world

Top 300 academic fields in the world



Full time faculty

1,060



Staff member
• Assistant Teacher

1.500



Enrolled Student (Including Graduate School Student)

22,000



Alumni

250,000

Jeonbuk National University Now (2024)

Jeonbuk National University is one of Korea's 10 national flagship universities(KNU10) We are leading national development by fostering superior talents with innovative education and research



Campus



international Students



College



Total Number of Ph.D Recipients

Korean Language Education Center

Jeonbuk National University Korean Language Education Center (JBNU KLEC) offers Korean language classes for foreigners to help students have a good command of Korean in terms of fluency and accuracy and comprehend Korean culture. JBNU KLEC aims to help students acquire a high level of Korean proficiency, enabling them to enroll in a degree program after completing the course.



Korean Language Program

- Systematic curriculum based on students' level of proficiency (level 1~level 6)
- Skillful lecturers with extensive teaching experience
- Test of Proficiency in Korean (TOPIK) preparation through an integrated course consisting of listening, speaking, reading, writing, vocabulary, and grammar
- Students' high level of satisfaction due to family-like academic ambience
- Various cultural activities that increase students'understanding of Korea
- One-on-one personalized extra lessons program that increases students' learning satisfaction (pronunciation correction, writing, TOPIK, etc.)

Available semesters	Spring (March), Summer (June), Fall (September), Winter (December) / 4 semesters every year				
Course period	4 hours per day / 5 days per week (Monday to Friday) (total of 200 hours (±10 weeks))				
Class time	Morning class : 09:00 AM~13:00 PM / Afternoon class : 13:30 PM~17:30 PM				
Level and Class Size	Level 1 ~ Level 6 / 15–20 students per class				
	Tuition fee	1,300,000 KRW/semester	Dormitory	±1,000,000 KRW/semester	
Expenses	Insurance	±100,000 KRW/2 semesters	Application fee	50,000 KRW (applicable only to successful applicants)	
Requirement for Level Completion	1. Minimum score of 70 2. Minimum attendance rate of 160 hours (Score calculation: Test (90%) + Attendance (10%))				



2025 Academic Schedule

Semester	Application Period	Round	Application Period Deadline	Announcement of Successful Applicants	Tuition Fee Payment	Course Period
Spring	2024. 12.02.~12.31	1 st	12.13	12.24	12.31	2025.03.04.
		2 nd	12.31	1.07	1.14	2025.05.15
Summer	2025. 03.04.~03.28	1 st	3.14	3.24	3.31	2025.06.02.
		2 nd	3.28	4.07	4.14	2025.08.11.
Fall	2025. 06.02.~07.04	1 st	6.13	6.23	6.30	2025.09.01.
		2 nd	7.4	7.14	7.21	~ 2025.11.17.
Winter	2025. 09.01.~09.26	1 st	9.12	9.22	9.29	2025.12.01.
		2 nd	9.26	10.17	10.24	2026.02.10.

- ▶ Qualification: Foreigners or overseas Koreans who have graduated from high school or have an equivalent academic degree or above
- ▶ Application Method: Online application (Korean Language Education Center Homepage https://top.jbnu.ac.kr/sites/lec_korean/index.do)

Admission Process

Online application	https://top.jbnu.ac.kr/lec_korean/index.do > Click 'Language Course Application Form' Fill in the form (personal information, self-introduction, documents)
Document screening	Decision made will be based on academic ability [based on the documents, self-introduction, study plan] (40 points) and attitude & basic knowledge (60 points)
Successful applicants, invoice issuance	Successful applicants will be notified personally by email. Successful applicants must submit the certified original documents by mail.
Tuition fee payment	Deposit the exact amount to the virtual account specified in the invoice
Certificate of Admission issuance	Certificate of Admission will be sent to successful applicants who have submitted certified original documents and have completed the tuition fee payment.
Visa application	Apply for a visa at the Korean Embassy (please check the required documents for visa application before visiting)
Beginning of semester	Entry to Korea and participate in the class

Required Documents for Admission

- ** Required documents must be submitted during the online application process after being converted into electronic files. The Certificate of Admission will only be issued to successful applicants who have submitted all certified original documents by mail or in person and have completed the tuition fee payment.
- ** Documents in other languages other than Korean or English must be translated to Korean or English. Please submit the translated documents or the notarized documents.
 - For non-notarized translated documents, please also submit 'translator confirmation letter' and graduation certificate of the translator.
- X Submitting forged and false documents may result in admission revocation.
- * Additional documents may be requested during the document screening process, and the submitted documents will not be returned.

No.	Document	Note		
1	Picture	3.5cm×4.5cm (white background)		
2	Photocopy of Passport	Must be valid for 6 months and above		
3	Graduation certificate of the highest level of education completed	Original document Notarized document or translated document (Korean/English)(For non-notarized translated document, please also submit 'translator confirmation letter' and graduation certificate of the translator as additional documents.)		
4	Academic transcript of the highest level of education completed	Original document Notarized document or translated document (Korean/English)(For non-notarized translated document, please also submit 'translator confirmation letter' and graduation certificate of the translator as additional documents.)		
		① Member countries of the Apostille Convention	Apostille	
		② Non-member countries of the Apostille Convention	Consular confirmation issued by the Korean consulate in the country which the school is located in or consulate office of the country which the school is located in based in Korea	
	Diploma erification	③ China	- General high school: Academic credential issued by Ministry of Education (CHSI) - Vocational high school: Choose one from below 1. Graduation certificate issued by the Provincial Office of Education (or the City Office of Education) + Apostille 2. Graduation certificate issued by the school + Verification letter from the Provincial Office of Education (or the City Office of Education) + Apostille * Vocational high school: Submission of school information confirmation (required)	
	Fig. 1. June 6 days 1.	① All countries except for China, Vietnam, and Uzbeki- stan	A minimum balance of 8,000,000 KRW deposited under the student's name or the parent's name	
6	Financial proof document (bank balance certificate) *issued within 30 days	② China	A minimum deposit balance of 8,000,000 KRW (the bank certificate must be issued within 30 days after the online application date and the balance must be frozen in the bank account for a minimum of 6 months)	
	after the online application date	③ Vietnam	A minimum deposit balance of 8,000,000 KRW (the balance must be maintained for a minimum of 3 months)	
		④ Uzbekistan	A minimum balance of 8,000,000 KRW deposited in a Korean financial institution located in Uzbekistan (the balance must be maintained for a minimum of 3 months)	
7	Family relation certificate	Applicant and applicant's parents must be included		
8	Self-introduction	Academic background, reason for wanting to come to Korea, reason for wanting to study Korean, reason for choosing JBNU, activities after completing the last level of education, and etc.		
9	Study plan	Korean language study plan, plan after finishing Korean Language Program, desired major and reason for choosing that major, etc.		
10	Confirmation document of the recommender	If there is a recommender, please send the ID card or employment certificate of the recommender to KLEC's email (jbnuklec@jbnu.ac.kr)		
11	Proof documents of gap period	s of gap If there is a gap of more than 6 months after obtaining the last academic degree, proof documents (e.g. certificate of working experience/certificate of career or certificate of employment) must be submitted by e-mail (jbnuklec@jbnu.ac.kr)) 05		



School life

Neul-beot Do-u-mi

One-on-one tutoring program where one Korean Language Program student will be paired with one JBNU Korean student to help them improve their Korean language skills and adjust better to Korean life.

Korean Classroom

One-on-one offline tutoring program with a Korean teacher to help students improve basic Korean communication skills and Korean writing skills.







Cultural activity

Students can experience Korean culture that will help them understand and adapt better to the culture.

Support service for tasks related to immigration office

KLEC helps students with Alien Registration Card (Foreigner Registration Card) issuance, visa extension, change of visa type, and etc.







Dormitory

- 2 people per room / 3 meals per day provided (except for weekends and national holidays)
- Facilities inside the room: desk, chair, wardrobe, AC, toilet, bathroom
- Public facilities: reading room, computer room, lounge, gym, laundry room, convenience store, stationery store, cafe, restaurant, etc.
- Fee: ±1,000,000 KRW / 3 months

Insurance

Every international students must have insurance during their stay in Korea. KLEC provides students with information about National Health Insurance, including on how to sign up and file an insurance claim.

- Up to 6 months after entry: Group insurance for international students (±100,000 KRW/2 semesters)
- 6 months after entry to Korea: automatic sign-up for National Health Insurance (±70.000 KRW/month)

Other Korean language programs

Korean Conversation Course

A course that helps students improve their Korean skills and their understanding of Korean culture through various topics related to everyday life.

- Target: JBNU international students and foreigners who reside in Korea
- Level: Level 1~5
- Application method: online application (https://wz3.jbnu.ac.kr/lec_korean/index.do
 - > Click'Conversation Course Application Form')
- Course time: 70 hours (Spring·Fall semester: 1 hour per day for 14 weeks) / (Summer·Winter semester: 2 hours per day for 7 weeks)
- Tuition fee: 450,000 KRW
- * The completion certificate of Korean Conversation Course can be used as a substitute for the foreign language test certificate requirement (only applicable to some departments)

Test of Proficiency in Korean (TOPIK) Preparation Class

Test preparation class that focuses on solving TOPIK sample questions.

- Target: JBNU international students and foreigners who reside in Korea
- Level: Intermediate/Advanced (±20 students)
- Application period : 2 weeks before the test date
- Application method: Google Forms
- Course period: 2 weeks (20 hours)
- Tuition fee: 130,000 KRW

Interview Preparation Class

By joining this class, students can practice in a mock interview and learn the appropriate manner and etiquette in preparation for JBNU undergraduate or graduate school admission interview

- Target: Students who are planning to apply to JBNU undergraduate or graduate school
- Application period: 1 week before the admission interview period
- Application method: Google Forms
- Course period: TBA
- Tuition fee: TBA







- Address: 3rd floor, New Silk Road Center, Jeonbuk National University, 567 Baekje-daero, Deokjin-gu, Jeonju-si, Jeollabuk-do, Republic of Korea (zip code: 54896)