

Hosted by the Research Institute of Korean Studies at Korea University

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The Fourth Pony Chung Fellowship

for Young Korean Studies Scholars

1. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Korean Studies has been quantitatively and qualitatively progressing abroad, and many new researchers are constantly emerging. Nevertheless, there are still not enough opportunities for young overseas researchers to visit Korea to explore new themes and increase their expertise in Korean Studies. Even if there might be opportunities to visit, there are many cases where researchers cannot acquire the proper research infrastructure or find effective ways to communicate and collaborate with domestic researchers. This issue is a huge loss not only for the research parties involved, but for the field of Korean Studies as a whole.

The Research Institute of Korean Studies (RIKS) at Korea University, with support from the Pony Chung Foundation, established the 'Pony Chung Fellowship' for Young Korean Studies Scholars in 2016. The goal of this program is to provide young international scholars in the field of Korean Studies with financial support, a suitable research infrastructure, and a platform on which they can share ideas and research outcomes with others in the field. Through this program, scholars are able to develop their topics and further expand their research, thereby contributing to the overall development and globalization of Korean Studies. Prospective participants are invited to submit their applications.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- Researchers of non-Korean nationality who have received their PhD in the field of Korean Studies (includes humanities, social sciences, and comparative international research with a focus on Korean Studies)
- Researchers of Korean nationality who hold dual citizenship and have received a PhD in the field of Korean Studies
 - ※ Scholars of South Korean nationality are encouraged to apply to the 'Pony Chung Scholarship Grant' (<http://www.ponychung.org>)
- Applicants who have received their doctoral degree within five years of the start of funding
- Applicants who have concrete plans to publish their research findings through a foreign university press within three years of the end of the fellowship period are given precedence

3. NUMBER AND DURATION OF APPOINTMENT

- Number of Appointments: Three
- Duration of Funding: March 2020 – February 2021(or September 2020 – August 2021)

4. FELLOWSHIP BENEFITS

- Pony Chung Research Funding: Up to KRW 50,000,000 (≒USD 44,000) per year - tax and airfare included
- Publication Funding: KRW 10,000,000 (≒USD 8,800) - Provided upon completion of the publishing contract (within 3 years of the conclusion of the Fellowship)
- Appointed as a research professor by the president of Korea University
- Shared office space will be provided at the Research Institute of Korean Studies (RIKS)
- Assistance in making the arrangements to live in the Korea University dormitory

5. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Submit Application	⇒	Initial Review	⇒	Interview (If required)	⇒	Final Decision
Deadline: June 30, 2019		July 2019		August 2019		August 30, 2019

* Pony Chung Fellowship Selection Committee will carry out evaluations

6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Curriculum Vitae
- Research Statement
- One letter of recommendation from an academic advisor or a distinguished scholar
: Recommenders should send letters of reference directly to icks@korea.ac.kr

7. DUTIES OF BENEFICIARIES

- Participate and present in the ‘Pony Chung Fellowship Symposium’
(Pony Chung Fellowship Symposium is held annually at the end of February)
- Present at the ‘Pony Chung Lecture’ at the Research Institute of Korean Studies
- Participate as a RIKS Academy mentor (RIKS Academy held annually in early August)
- Participate in academic events at the Research Institute of Korean Studies
- Submit a report on the results of your research within three months following the end of the Fellowship period
(Report must include the research activities based on the Research Proposal conducted during the Fellowship period, academic lecture, the submission and publication of your thesis, etc.)

8. OTHER INFORMATION

- Those who have received disciplinary actions related to research funding from the Korean government or domestic support organizations are not eligible to apply
- **Submission Deadline: June 30, 2019 (Korean Standard Time)**
※ Documents received after the deadline will not be considered
- Decision Notification: August 2019
(A decision notice will be sent to the applicant)
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