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CUK History

"We are incredibly proud to have the opportunity to take a pioneering role that will shape the future of online education as Korea's first online university."

The Cyber University of Korea (CUK) is Korea's first online university that was founded in 2001 by Dr. Byung Kwan Kim, the former chairman of the Korea Choongang Education Foundation in accordance with the educational philosophy of providing creativity and service. In our position as a four-year higher education institution, we are affiliated to both the Korea Choongang Education Foundation and Korea University, which is rightly championed as one of the most prestigious universities in Korea. To ensure that the contents of the CUK courses were in accordance with the reputation and weighty traditions of Korea University, they were developed jointly with such a prestigious private university. Moreover, by sharing such a substantial infrastructure with Korea University, we have now set the standard of higher online education and a high-tech content production system that other institutions will find it hard to follow. In addition, CUK will now take the necessary steps to set the future trends for lifelong learning in Korea through its innovative curriculum, systematic support services for students, and industry-academia/international cooperation with esteemed institutions situated domestically and internationally.

The Cyber University of Korea (formerly Korea Digital University), initially founded in 2001 with 7 departments, has since then, grown to become a university consisting of college that contain 22 divisions and departments and 3 degree programs as well as Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies. In 2003, we held the first Online University Academic Forum with the aim of presenting the vision for online education, while in 2010, we established RCI-Korea and developed Korea's only caregiving training program in collaboration with the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving, a US-based caregiving institution. In keeping with its ever-expanding efforts, the university opened its graduate school (currently, the Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies) in 2013, and launched a free online educational program that provides people with the opportunity to learn the Korean language, Quick Korean, in the same year. Furthermore, we operated the participatory open special lecture program CUK ON and established the division of Future Convergence in 2017, established the division of Korean Language & Multicultural Studies, Counseling, Artificial Intelligence major, and Convergence Studies in 2020, established the division of Fire Fighting & Safety in 2022, and the division of Computer Engineering and Architectural engineering in 2024.

Korea Choongang Education Foundation

The Cyber University of Korea

Korea University

From the moment President Won-Gyu Lee first took office in 2025, CUK has completely restructured both its education and management system. By adopting a transparent and efficient administration, CUK has been able to strengthen its industry-academia cooperation with major organizations in Korea. Based on these transparent and modern educational/administrative services, CUK continues to take the initiative and will always be the future of online education in the present day.

CUK Academics

"The opportunity to learn at the Cyber University of Korea is always available for everyone."

The Cyber University of Korea provides online higher education to everyone, no matter where they are located in the world, through its systematic lifelong learning platform, completely free from the limitations of time and space.

Undergraduate Courses

Div. of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
Div. of Mechanical and Control Engineering
Div. of Computer Engineering
Div. of Information and Software Engineering
- Dept. of Software Engineering
- Dept. of Information Management and Security

Div. of Artificial Intelligence and Data Science
Div. of Fire Fighting & Safety
Div. of Architectural Engineering
Div. of Design
Div. of Culture & Arts Management
Div. of Business
- Dept. of Business Administration
- Dept. of Taxation and Accounting
- Dept. of Real Estate

Div. of Counseling
-Dept. of Counseling Psychology
Div. of Social Welfare
-Dept. of Social Welfare
Div. of Health Care Science
Div. of Human Resource Development
Div. of Practical Languages
-Dept. of Practical Foreign Languages
-Dept. of Child English
Div. of Korean Language & Multiculture
Div. of Law & Police Science
-Dept. of Law
-Dept. of Police Science

The Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies

"We are a learning hub that cultivates data scientists with interdisciplinary insight and expertise."

The ability to select and use information is becoming a criterion for competitiveness in the information age and an essential virtue of leaders in our modern society. Vast amounts of information in various and complicated forms drive the trends of the Information Society and are crucial in the functions of state and business organizations. As we enter an evermore connected Network Society, a deeper understanding and command of the flows and content of information, its authenticity and reliability, are key issues that allow us to distinguish good data from bad data, ultimately enablingus to make informed, evidence-based decisions. CUK's GSIIS encourages critical inquiry and interdisciplinary conversation. Our core subjects focus on understanding our present data and human environment and the acquisition of data analysis skills, such as statistical and big data analysis. Students can select their field of concentration, but convergence of the three fields is strongly encouraged.

Why CUK

"Our superior infrastructure and education system places the power in our hands to cultivate creative minds with interdisciplinary capabilities."

Smart Campus

Our Learning Management System utilizes the role that mobile devices and computers play in our daily life for student activities such as the online roll call and enrollment.



An Environment Developed with Only the Finest Education in Mind

The Cyber University of Korea independently creates 100% of its lectures in order to provide an effective online education. In addition, our aim is to never cease in our efforts to provide learning content that defines the times we live in through state-of-the-art facilities such as a cutting-edge circular studio equipped with multimedia presentation systems located in the Inchon Hall of the Gye-dong Campus.

Professional Education

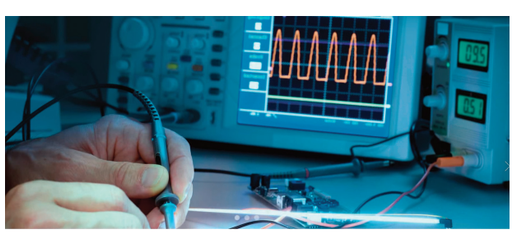
Presently, The Cyber University of Korea is comprised of 303 faculty members and research staff who are prominent in their chosen fields of expertise which means that the university is capable of providing more than 660 different subjects. Our courses are specifically designed to provide both practical and in-depth content including the BIB (Bring in Brain) project, which delivers lectures that accurately reflect the knowledge and skills of scholars and intellectuals from all around the world.

A University You Want to be Part of

The Cyber University of Korea ranked first for five consecutive years as the most competitive online university in terms of acceptance rates (2013-2017), and recorded the highest student recruitment rates for three consecutive years (2015-2017). CUK's status as Korea's top online university based on the levels of student satisfaction clearly reflects the reforms and endeavors that set it apart from other institutions. In addition, by recording both the highest number of foreign students (172 students, 2024) and the highest number of students living abroad (510 students, 2025), the university displays the steps that must be taken to move with the world.

Innovative Online Engineering Education

The Cyber University of Korea established the world's first Virtual Lab through implementing cloud virtualization technology that provides a new paradigm for online engineering education. In addition, by continuing to expand its cooperation with Korea University's College of Engineering, it has cemented its competitive advantage in online engineering education through an assortment of methods such as the development of joint academic courses, and by transforming into the largest online engineering division in Korea.



Humane and People-Oriented Education



As we position ourselves as a people-oriented university, such an outlook determines our goal to provide education for everyone no matter of their standing within society, while we must also consider the future of our neighbors. Therefore, our ceaseless efforts for pursuing change, innovation, and humanity will never stop until we have channeled everyone's potential so that they may be reborn as creative human resources. For instance, we have distributed the free online education program for learning the Korean language, 'Quick Korean' throughout the world. Furthermore, it is imperative that we provide support for the foreign spouses of Korean nationals and multicultural families in the hope that they can successfully settle in Korea by implementing the 'social integration program for immigrants' in addition to establishing the 'international cooperation/multiple cultures major'.

CUK Global Networks

CUK moves forward as such a rate that it already boasts of its expanded educational foundation and consolidated international capabilities through the global educational partnerships that it has set up with the world's leading universities. In particular, we have developed close partnerships with universities such as Georgia Southwestern State University (U.S.), the University of Tennessee at Martin (U.S.), University of Newcastle (U.K.), University of Language and International Studies of VNU (Vietnam), Kindai University (Japan), Fudan University (China), Kazan Federal University (Russian Federation), Sripatum University (Thailand), UP Open University (Philippines), Open International University of Human Development (Ukraine), Inha University in Tashkent (Uzbekistan), and National United University (Taiwan). In addition, by serving as a member of the International Council for Open and Distance Education (ICDE) and the Asian Association of Open Universities (AAOU), CUK continues to adapt and accrue the different learning education systems of some of the finest universities around the world in order to remain fully prepared for the ever-changing environment of online education.

Extended Practical Education

In our role of providing first-rate educational services and an adaptive infrastructure that will meet the diverse educational needs of all who attend the university, we have signed cooperative agreements and industry-academia cooperation agreements with leading organizations, and thereby continued to expand the scope of our education. In addition, we have extended the practical education through the operation of over 250 courses for national and private certificates.

Liberal Convergence Education

Connectivity and convergence lie at the core of the fourth industrial revolution. Therefore, we are integrating information and knowledge across a number of fields as deemed necessary by society to further advance convergence-type human resources who will create new values for the benefit of society.



Social Contribution Activities of CUK

"We nurture warmhearted minds who practice the educational ideals of creativity and volunteering."

Through its diverse social contribution programs and specialist courses, the Cyber University of Korea sincerely practices its educational ideals of 'creativity' and 'volunteering', and dutifully and proudly fulfills its social responsibility as a higher education provider. CUK does not believe it is sufficient enough to merely produce people equipped with extensive knowledge, but it also nurtures talents who are more than capable of exerting a warm influence on our society as well as the world by practicing social distribution based on the fundamentals of humanity.

Student Volunteer Activities



It is important to note that the students of CUK are encouraged to practice the spirit of 'sharing with others' in its truest sense by actively engaging in a range of volunteer work that includes taking care of the vulnerable at the Vniel's House, performing volunteer activities at marathons for disabled people, and offering Korean language mentoring services to foreign students free of charge.

Caregiving Education

The Rosalyn Carter Caregiving Institute (RCI-Korea) of CUK jointly developed the caregiving training program with the RCI of Georgia Southwestern State University, United States, and has been developing related specialists on a consistent basis since 2010. Through this program, students have completed professional education with the aim of providing sufficient levels of care to patients with dementia and chronic diseases, and thereby, in their role as specialists, committing themselves to those that are dire need of care in this current ageing society.

『CUK ON』, Participatory Special Lectures that are Open to Everyone

CUK ON is a participatory special lecture program exclusively offered by CUK, which has been devised to share the wisdom and experience of experts who are renowned within their chosen fields with the public, thereby, embracing the spirits of "us", "everyone", "openness", "switch on", "integrity", and "warmth." No matter what your occupation or your position in society is, as long as you have an interest in the topics provided, then you are more than welcome to participate in the special lectures by visiting our studio or applying on the university website. Through this program, CUK strives to create a place of learning and communication, and practices the sharing of knowledge with others.

Quick Korean

Quick Korean, the online Korean language-learning program offered by the Cyber University of Korea free of charge, provides people from around the world as well as foreign nationals residing in Korea, especially the foreign spouses of Korean nationals and multicultural families, to learn the Korean language and embrace Korean culture free of charge. Therefore, as the goal of our program greatly contributes to students from different backgrounds successfully settling in Korea and subsequently leading stable lives, CUK continues to realize the true meaning of social contribution.

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"Decide on Your Future Together with the Cyber University of Korea."

CUK will be with you from the beginning to the end, paving the way for you to attain a better future. It is our belief that your respect is something we must earn, and we will do so as you decide on your future, together with the Cyber University of Korea.







1. The Media Center at Korea University
2. High-tech Studio of Inchon Pavilion
3. Korea University's Student Facilities
4. Student Festivals
5. 2017 Next Impact Forum
6. Library of Inchon Pavilion
7. Activities to Experience Other Cultures
8. Graduation Ceremony





