Greetings!

Korea’s five-millennia-long history has contributed greatly to its illustrious cultural heritage and exotic charm. With an illiteracy rate close to zero, the education of children is often the highest priority for Korean families. This high regard for education and scholarship partly explains the steady influx of gifted students into the mathematics profession.

While mathematics in Korea in the modern sense has a relatively short history, Korea has made significant progress in quality and quantity of research in mathematics, more than doubling its research publications in less than 10 years up to 2007.

The undergraduate and graduate program at the POSTECH Math Department emphasizes the importance of rigorous mathematical reasoning and academically sound curriculum, and growingly reflects the role of mathematics in various aspects of modern society. The Mathematics Department at POSTECH is currently making intensive efforts to improve its level of research and teaching so that it becomes comparable to that of the world’s top 20 universities within the next 10 to 15 years.

Soon after POSTECH was founded in 1986 aiming to become a world level research institution, some prominent mathematicians from abroad like Professors Kyung-Whan Kwan and Chung Nim Lee joined its Mathematics Department, and helped to make it one of the top research departments in the country. I wish to thank these early pioneers of POSTECH Math for their energy and enthusiasm.

Sincerely,

Head, Department of Mathematics

Planning Your Visit to Korea

You can get information for short term visit in POSTECH with this brochure and please visit from our website for detailed Information.

**Visa**

An appropriate visa can be obtained from any Korean consulate near your place of residence. For further information on visa application, please refer to the Korea Immigration Service.

**Ministry of Foreign Affairs website**

In some cases, a visitor may be required to present an invitation letter from POSTECH to the Korean consulate. If this is the case, please request a letter from the person you are in contact with or the Mathematics department office.

**Accommodation**

You can stay in the on-campus hotel, the POSCO International Center. For reservation, please notify us your schedule in advance.

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How to get to POSTECH after arriving Korea

1. **Incheon Int’l Airport**

   * Incheon Int’l Airport → Pohang Station
   * Take KTX to Pohang Station (2.5h) → Taxi to POSTECH (25min.)

2. **Incheon Int’l Airport → Seoul Station → Pohang Station**

   * Take Airport Railroad Express(AREX) to Seoul Station (43 min.) → KTX to Pohang (2.5h) → Taxi to POSTECH (25min.)

   **Korail website**

3. **Incheon Int’l Airport → Pohang Bus Terminal**

   * Take Limousine to Pohang Intercity terminal (5.5h) → Taxi to POSTECH (10min.)

   **Incheon Airport website**

4. **Gimhae Int’l Airport**

   * Take the airport limousine bus to Pohang Intercity Bus terminal (1.3h) → Taxi to POSTECH (10min.)

   **Gimhae Int’l Airport website**
Business Hours & Holidays: The regular office hours of administrative service are from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. The office is closed on weekends, Korean national holidays and POSTECH anniversary day (3rd, Dec.).

Access to POSTECH Buildings: Visitors need building entry cards to gain access to all POSTECH buildings. You will be taken a card at the Mathematics office, Room 302. Do not forget to return the card when you leave POSTECH.

Dining: Korean Restaurant, Yeon-ji, and Burger King are located on in the Jigok Community Center. You may also want to try the fusion style restaurant, D’ Medley or the Chinese restaurant, Phoenix, located in the POSCO International center.

Phone Services: On-campus telephone calls are free of charge from and to any number within the system. To call a numbers within POSTECH just dial the 7 digit number of the person you wish to contact. To make off-campus or mobile phone call with the POSTECH office phones, please dial 9 first followed by the area code or mobile service provider code, then the phone number.

Print, Copy and Fax: You can make black and white photo copies in Room 303 during business hours. You can also use the copy machine as a printer if you install its driver on your PC. If you wish to fax a document, a staff member in the office will assist you.

Internet Access: All PCs installed in POSTECH have internet access. You can also gain access to the wireless internet with your Notebook in the Mathematical Science Building without installing any drivers.

First Aid: POSTECH runs a free-of-charge campus clinic located on the 2nd floor of the Student Union Building.

Banking: There is a Woori Bank branch office on the first floor of the Student Union Building. In addition, ATMs for Woori Bank and Kookmin Bank are installed on the 1st floor of Administration Building.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences and Colloquia The Mathematics Department organizes a number of conferences, workshops, seminars colloquia, and lecture series with participants from the global scientific community. For more information, please visit our website: http://math.postech.ac.kr

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