

SNU Global EDGE Fellowship Program for Fall 2026

Office of Global Affairs (OGA), Seoul National University

We are pleased to announce that applications for the SNU Global EDGE Fellowship Program for Fall 2026 are now open. Please carefully review the scholarship details provided below and submit your application within the specified deadline.

1. SNU Global EDGE Fellowship Program

As part of Seoul National University's "Brain Korea 21 Four Project," this scholarship aims to attract and nurture exceptional students from diverse backgrounds, fostering a dynamic intellectual community.

2. Eligibility Criteria (All requirements must be met)

- 1) New doctoral students **admitted in the 2nd semester of 2026** at our university (with no restrictions regarding the admission track, nationality, or undergraduate/graduate institution), or students currently enrolled in an integrated master's and doctoral program **who have entered the doctoral stage in the 2nd semester of 2026**.

※ If there are not enough eligible applicants, eligibility may be extended to students admitted (or having entered the doctoral stage) **as far back as the 2nd semester of 2025**.

※ Students on a leave of absence are not eligible.

- 2) International Students majoring in a department affiliated with a team/educational group sponsored by the "Brain Korea 21 Four Project."
- 3) Currently engaged in research supported by the "Brain Korea 21 Four Project" as of the 2nd semester of 2026, and not receiving a scholarship from the research group itself.
- 4) NOT receiving any other scholarships that provide tuition waiver or scholarships from other Brain Korea 21 Four Research Projects.

3. Scholarship Benefits

- Full tuition coverage
- Monthly stipend of KRW 1,800,000

4. Scholarship Duration (within the standard program duration)

- Up to the 1st semester of 2027, when the BK21 Four Project ends

▶ Recipients must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0/4.3 to retain the scholarship.

▶ Continued participation in the "BK21 Four Project" is required to maintain eligibility.

- Continued eligibility is reviewed at the end of each semester (academic results) and at the beginning of each semester (BK21 Four participation).

5. Required Documents

- ⦿ Completed application form (attached form)
- ⦿ Academic transcripts and graduation certificates (both Bachelor's and Master's degrees)
** For Combined Master's & Doctorate students, only documents related to the Bachelor's degree are required.*
- ⦿ Recommendation letter from a professor in the applicant's department at SNU
- ⦿ BK 21 Four Project Research Participation Confirmation Documents
(submit both of the following documents)
 - 1. BK21 Four Project Participation Confirmation (attached form)
(BK참여대학원생 확인서, attached form)
 - 2. Research Participation Confirmation
(참여연구원 확인서, can be printed through the SRnD system)

6. Deadline

- Applications must be submitted to the Office of Global Affairs (OGA) via an official electronic document by the applicant's college by **September 30th, 2026 (Wednesday)**.

(Please strictly adhere to the deadline, submit earlier than Wednesday so that the department office can send your application to OGA by the deadline)

- 1) Submit required documents to your designated college's administration office
- 2) Please contact the administration office of your designated college regarding submission deadlines to your college's administration office.

** **Important:** Early submissions to your college/school's administration office are strongly recommended so that the college's administration office can prepare to submit your documents by an official document to the OGA.*

- ✂ September 30th, 2026 is the deadline for each college/graduate school to submit the collected applications to the OGA, not the deadline for individual applicants.

7. Selection

- Number of recipients: 5 students
- Recipients are selected by the SNU Global EDGE Fellowship Selection Committee through a two-stage review.
 - 1) Document screening (50 points): approximately twice the number of recipients is shortlisted.
 - 2) Interview (100 points in total, including the document screening score).

8. Interview and Announcement of Final Results

- Interview: October 2026 (only those who have passed the document screening will be contacted by email)
- Final results: November 2026 (individual notice by email, and an official notice sent to the relevant college/graduate school)

9. Scholarship Payment and Management

- Monthly stipend claim: between the 20th and the last day of each month, recipients must apply to their college/graduate school for the following month's stipend and verify that they are residing in Korea.
 - Payment: based on the claim submitted in the previous month, the administrative staff of each college enter the details into the integrated administration system, and the **OGA pays the stipend into the recipient's personal bank account by the 20th of that month.**
 - Overseas stay: no stipend is paid for days exceeding 30 days of overseas stay in a single semester; the monthly stipend is reduced on a pro-rata daily basis for the excess days.
 - Leave of absence: in principle not permitted. It may be granted once during the award period only for unavoidable reasons such as a natural disaster in the country of residence, severance of diplomatic relations, illness, or temporary recall by the home government. It must be discussed with the OGA in advance and approved by the dean in accordance with university regulations.
- ✕ Upon the first leave of absence, stipend payment stops immediately, any stipend already paid for that semester is recovered, and the semester is treated as non-registered. Payment resumes when the recipient returns from the leave.
- Forfeiture: the scholarship is terminated and payment stops if the recipient is expelled; takes a leave of absence more than once; receives a disciplinary measure for violating university rules or regulations or for engaging in political activity; acts against the purpose of the scholarship; or is confirmed not to be a participating graduate student of the BK21 Four Project.

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