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ISUS Newsletter

International School of Urban Sciences, University of Seoul

Cover Story

<Fall Semester Starts>

The **fall semester** starts and following government's guideline, professors and students are notified that they should teach and learn **via online solutions**. Also, ISUS '**Master of Urban and Regional Development**' (MURD) program newly starts from this semester.

<Change of Program Directors>

ISUS Program directors have been newly **changed** from September, 2020. Vice dean of ISUS, **prof. Shine Lee** is on **sabbatical leave** and the role of vice dean of ISUS has been replaced by **prof. Joon Park**.

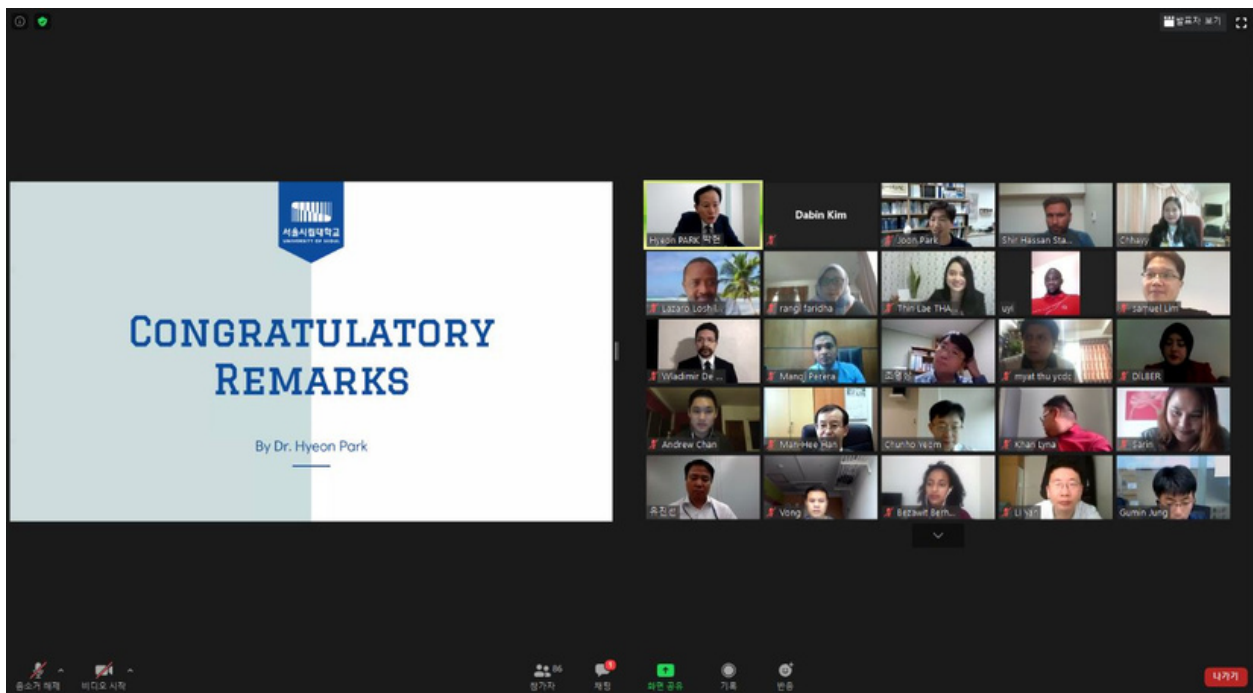
<Enhance of Social Distancing Level>

The **Enhanced Social Distancing Level 2.5** for the greater capital area has been extended to **September 13th**. So, everyone should **avoid crowded** area and be careful from the exposure of the virus.

<Low level of office Density>

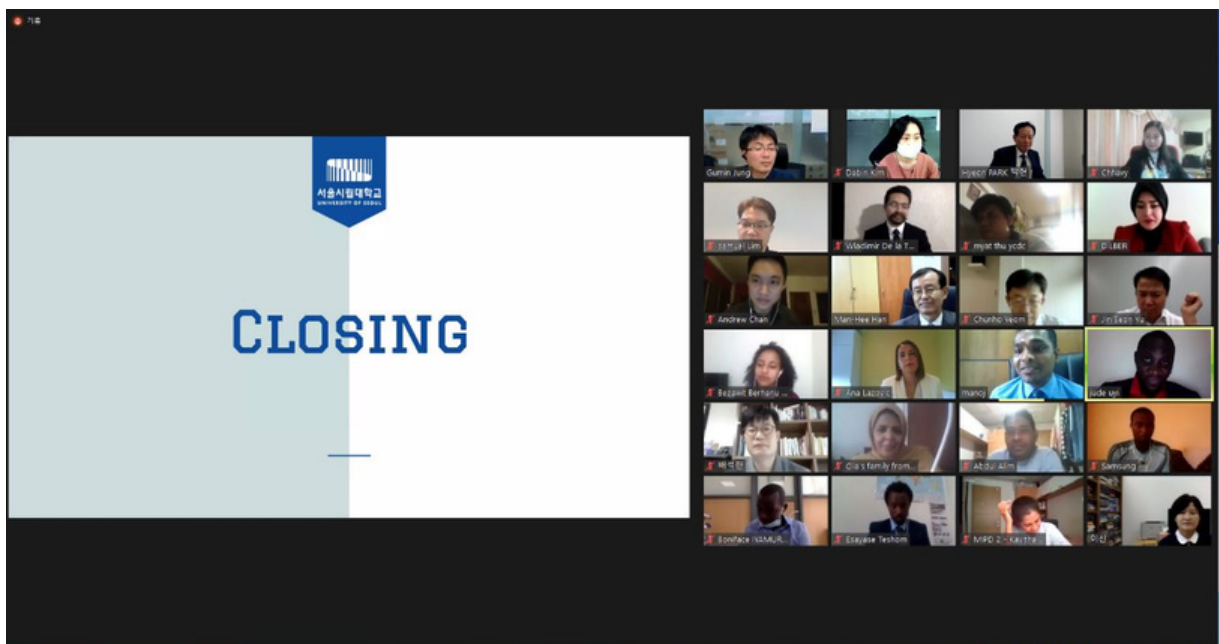
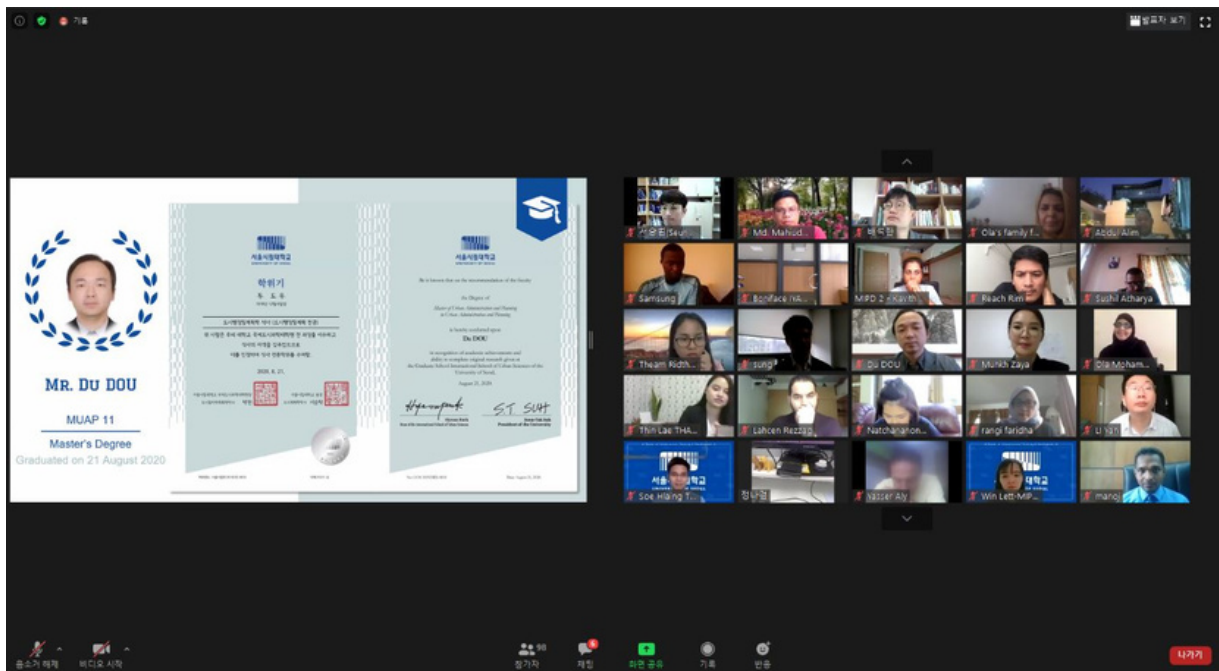
Due to the spread of COVID 19, **faculty members** at ISUS office **frequently work from home**. Social distancing Level has been changed to 2.5 Level, and it guides the **low level of office density** to avoid contact from crowded people at one area.

2020 ISUS Commencement



The 2020 ISUS commencement ceremony celebrated on 28th August by Zoom meeting, and this online ceremony allows distinguished guests, family, and friends even far from Korea to attend this joyous ceremony to share in the success of our graduates. The schedule of the ceremony was Congratulatory Remarks, Valedictory Speech, Conferment of Diploma, Conferment of Award, Video clip about Life in Seoul (made by MUAP Students), Closing and provided by the invited guests, respectively. ISUS holds the 2020 ISUS commencement ceremony and diplomas were awarded to IUDP and Korean students on August 21, 2020. It was the first ever virtual commencement ceremony for ISUS.

Graduates received diplomas on different majors for 3 Departments in ISUS; Urban Administration and Planning Department, the Global Construction Department, and the Sustainable Urban Development Department. There are 21 Graduates on 21 February 2020 (16 graduates from Global Construction and 5 graduates from Sustainable Urban Development). There are 24 Graduates on 21 August 2020 (4 graduates from Global Construction and 1 graduate from Sustainable Urban Development and 19 graduates from Master of Urban Administration and Planning).



Individual students were also recognized for their outstanding overall academic performance on their individual study programs.

The faculty, management and staff of ISUS wish all of the graduates success in their future careers or further studies, and proudly congratulate them on their academic achievements and successful graduation as they end their journey in enriching their knowledge and experience in ISUS.

After closing, the event goes on by exchanging remarks like gratitude each other in the Zoom meeting room to reminisce this meaningful moment.

News for Changing Positions of ISUS Program Directors

Currently, ISUS operates four master's programs for international government officials: MUAP, MURD, MGLEP and MIPD in cooperation with Seoul Metropolitan Government, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport respectively. The Seoul Case Study Program (SCSP) for graduates students from prestigious universities in US and UK to share Seoul's urban policies has also been a core program of the ISUS under IUDP.

The change of the position of the program directors are summarized as below.

Program	Previous	Current
MUAP	Prof. Joon Park	Prof. Man-Hee Han
MGLEP	Prof. Shin Lee	Prof. Chun Ho Yeom
MIPD	Prof. Hyun-Joo Kim	Prof. Joon Park
SCSP	Prof. Joon Park	Prof. Seung Beom Seo
MURD	-	Prof. Hyeon Park

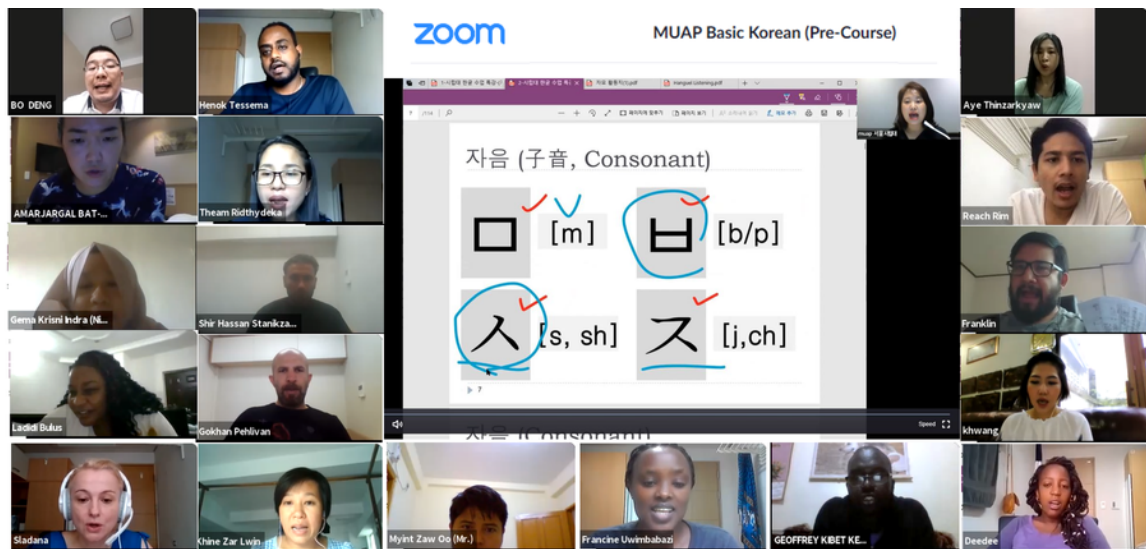
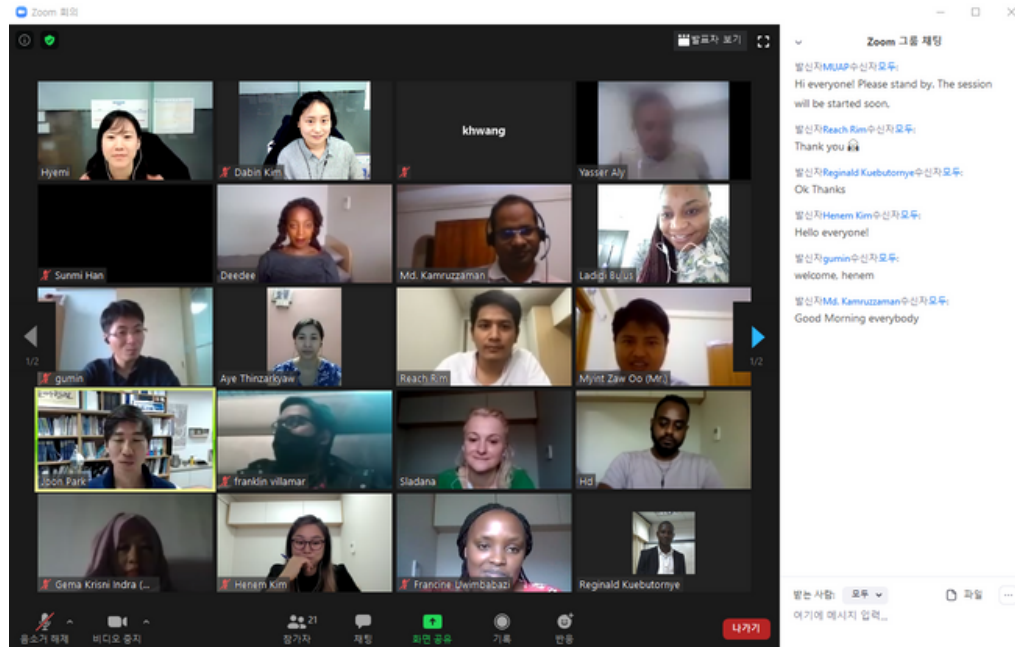
Professor Shin Lee is on Sabbatical Leave



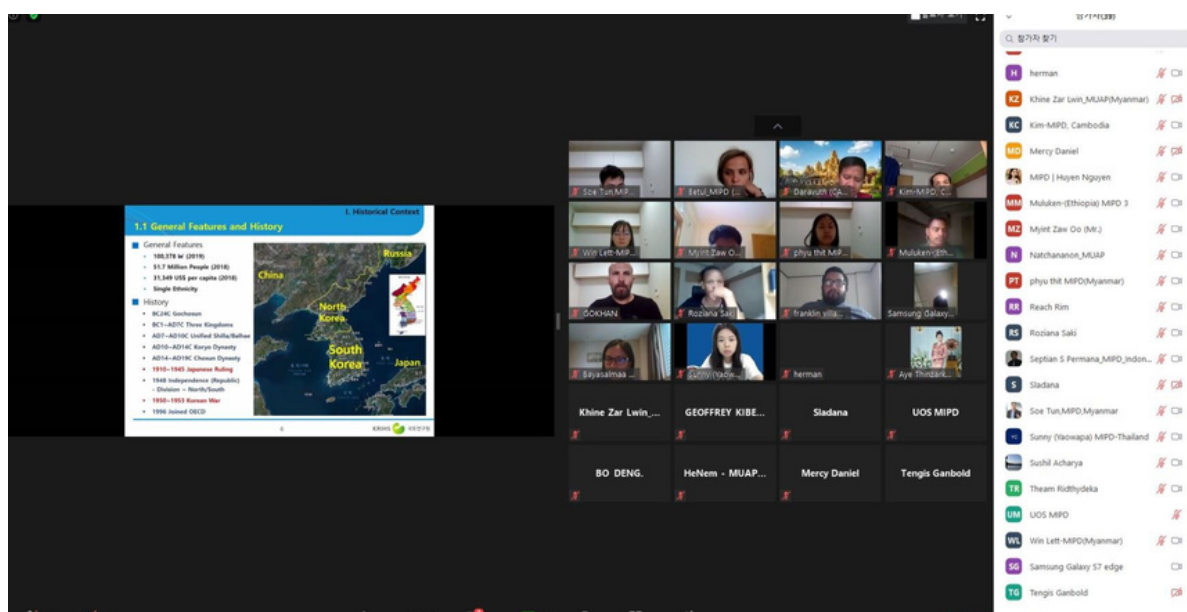
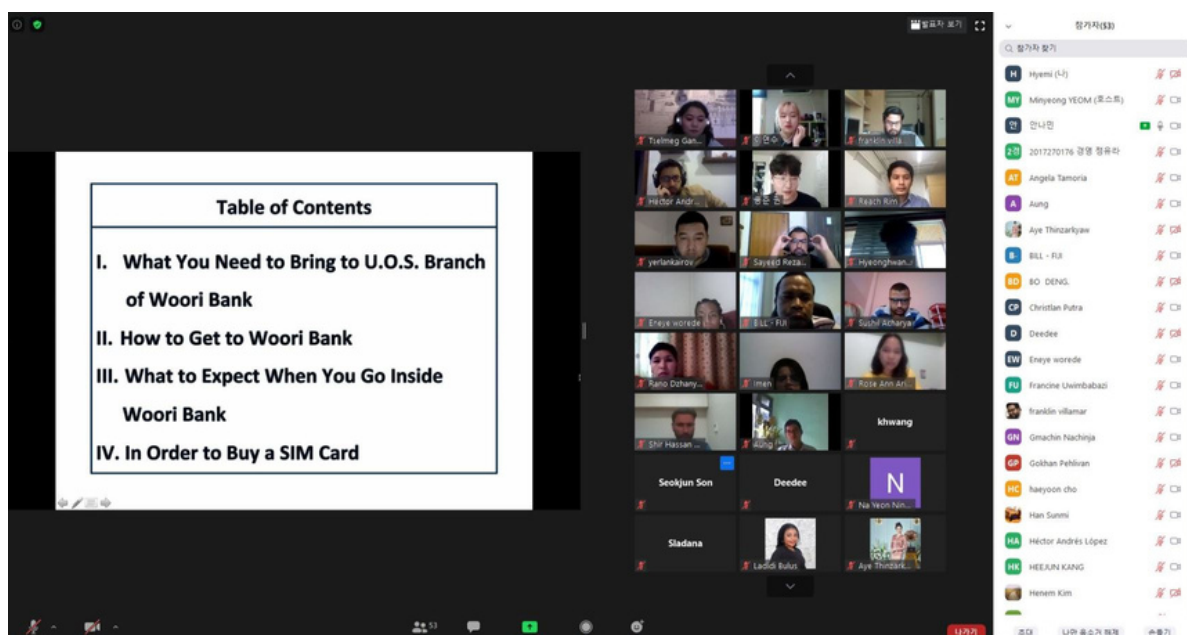
The former vice dean of ISUS and program director for Master's Program for Future Leaders in Environmental Policy (MGLEP), Professor Shin Lee, is on leave for sabbatical research for 12 months since Fall semester of 2020. The role of vice dean of ISUS has been replaced by Professor Joon Park.

ISUS wishes all the best of luck to Professor Shin Lee, and looking forward to have her back next year.

MUAP Orientation and Preliminary Courses



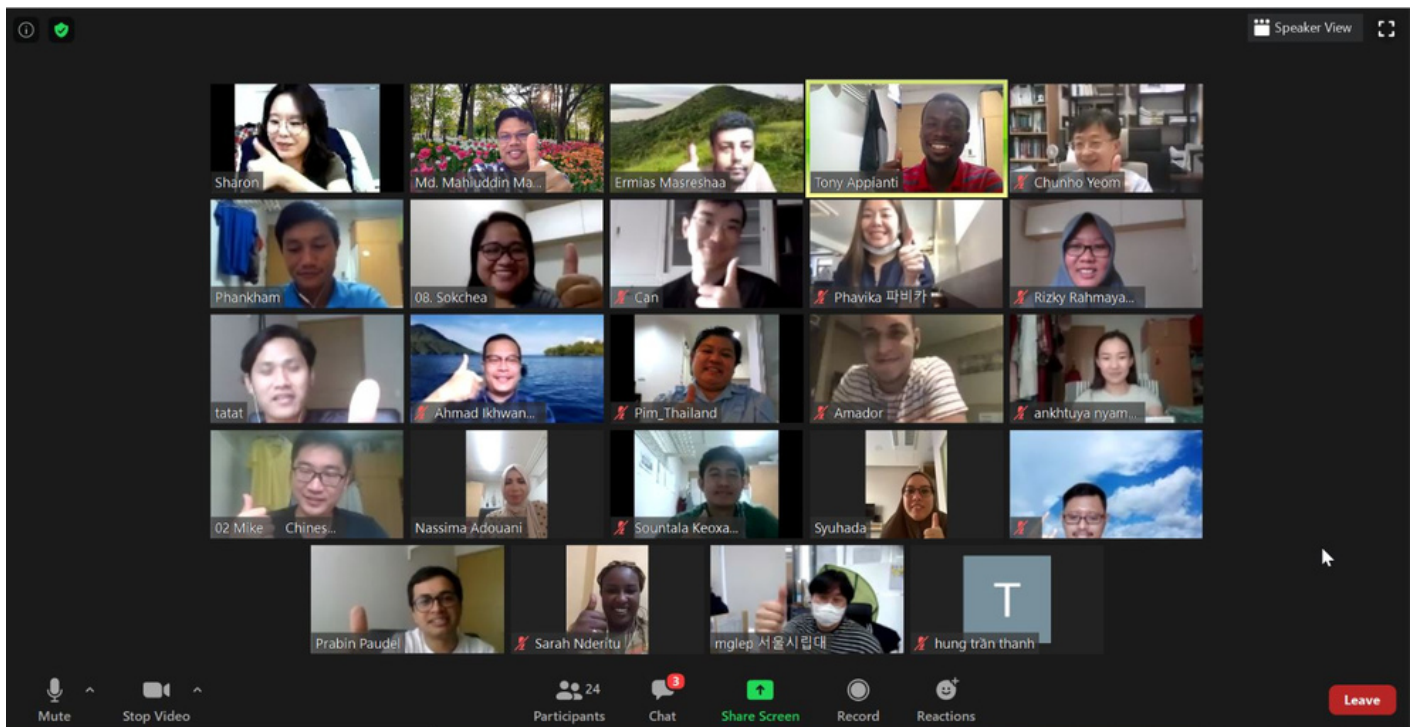
The Master of Urban Administration and Planning (MUAP) 13th batch have attended the academic orientation given by their program director Professor Joon Park and their coordinators. The orientation was entitled with Seoul Friend orientation, preliminary courses like basic Korean and special lecture has been given by national development of Korea: past, present, and future.



Due to COVID-19, the MUAP preliminary course of this year was carried out in different configurations and forms from previous years. Various orientation events, including academic orientation, Seoul Friend orientation, and student meetings were held online through Zoom meeting. In addition, online special lectures were provided on behalf of having field-trip and other cultural events. Through a total of seven basic Korean language classes, students were provided with education to learn the Korean alphabet and simple greetings. The schedule was like below.

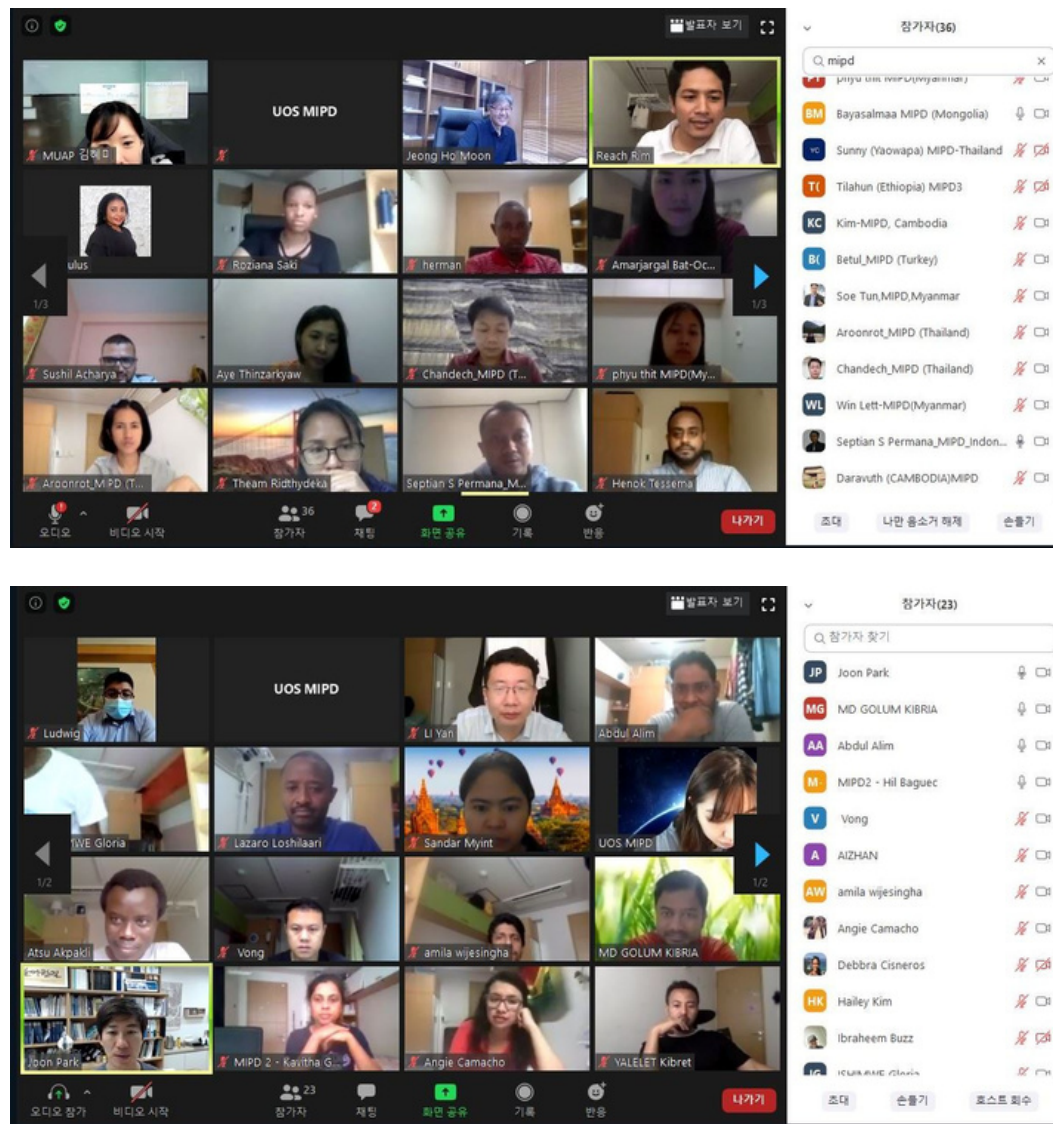
Event	Program Contents
Orientation	Academic orientation by Prof. Joon Park and coordinators
	Seoul Friend Orientation; about campus systems, facilities, seoul life
	Crime Prevention Orientation by Police office (Video)
	Seoul Orientation by Seoul Global Center (Video)
	Sexual Harassment Prevention by UOS Human rights center (Video)
Lecture	Basic Korean (7 classes)
Special Lecture	Economic History of Korea (Dr. Lim, Wonhyuk, Professor, Korea Development Institute School)
	National Territorial Development of Korea: Past, Present, and Future (Dr. MOON, Jeong Ho Senior Research Fellow, Korea Research Institute for Human Settlements)
ISUS Event	MUAP 12 & 13 Online Gathering

MGLEP 5th & 6th Orientation



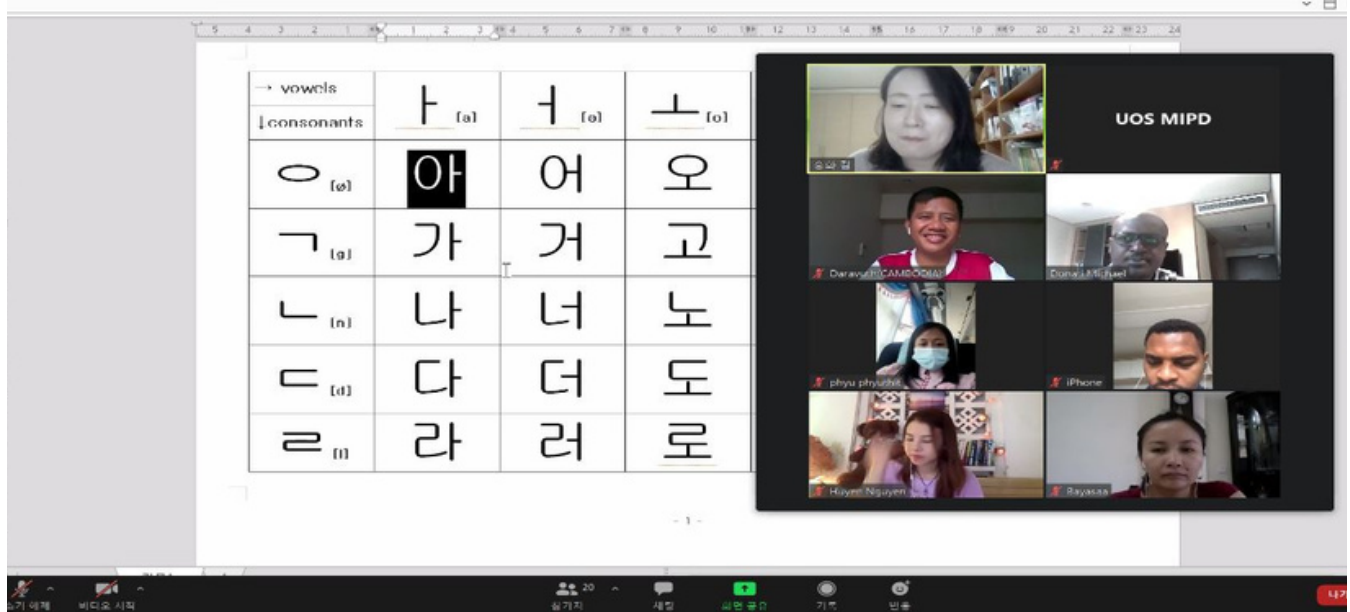
Both 5th and 6th batches of Master's Program for Future Global Leaders in Environmental Policy (MGLEP) students have introduced with their new appointed program director, Professor Chun Ho Yeom in 31st August 2020 via zoom meeting. After the introduction with the director, the 5th and 6th batch students introduced each other. The MGLEP-5 batch presented a welcome video and shared their one-year experiences for MGLEP-6 batch. Also, school life, regulations and other related issues were given a brief explanation by both MGLEP coordinators. Due to COVID19, the orientation took via zoom link. Most of MGLEP 6 were still in quarantine and some (Sarah Nderitu from Kenya, Pimsiri Yanaco from Thailand) are still in their home country.

MIPD Meeting with Professor Joon Park



The 2nd and 3rd Master of Infrastructure Planning and Development (MIPD) students met with the new MIPD program director, professor Joon Park on 24th August 2020 via zoom meeting. All students introduced themselves and discussed with issues like the schedule of thesis paper, campus life sharing experiences and explained our they spent their summer break.

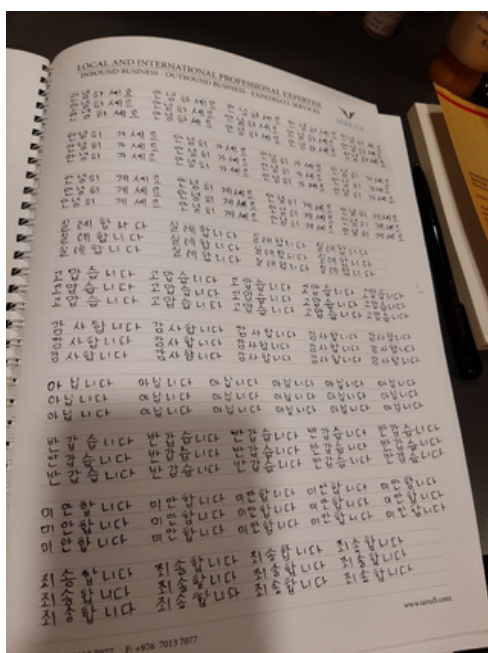
MIPD 3rd Preliminary Course



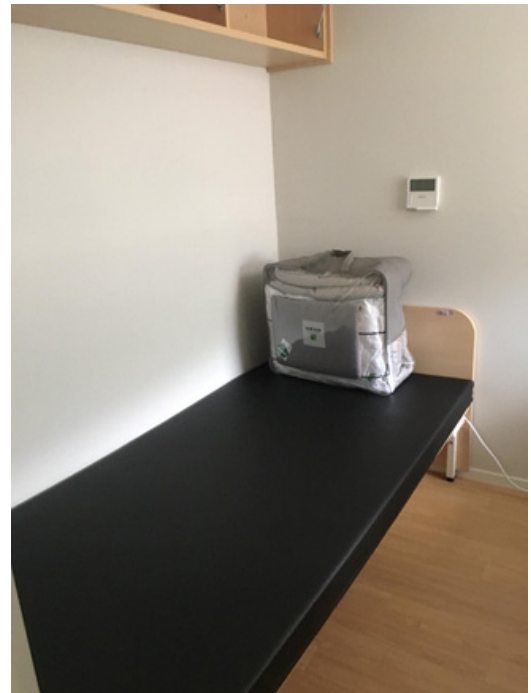
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The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. On the left, a Korean vowel and consonant chart is displayed. On the right, a grid of participants is visible, including a woman at the top, a man in the middle, and several others at the bottom. The meeting title 'UOS MIPD' is visible in the top right corner.

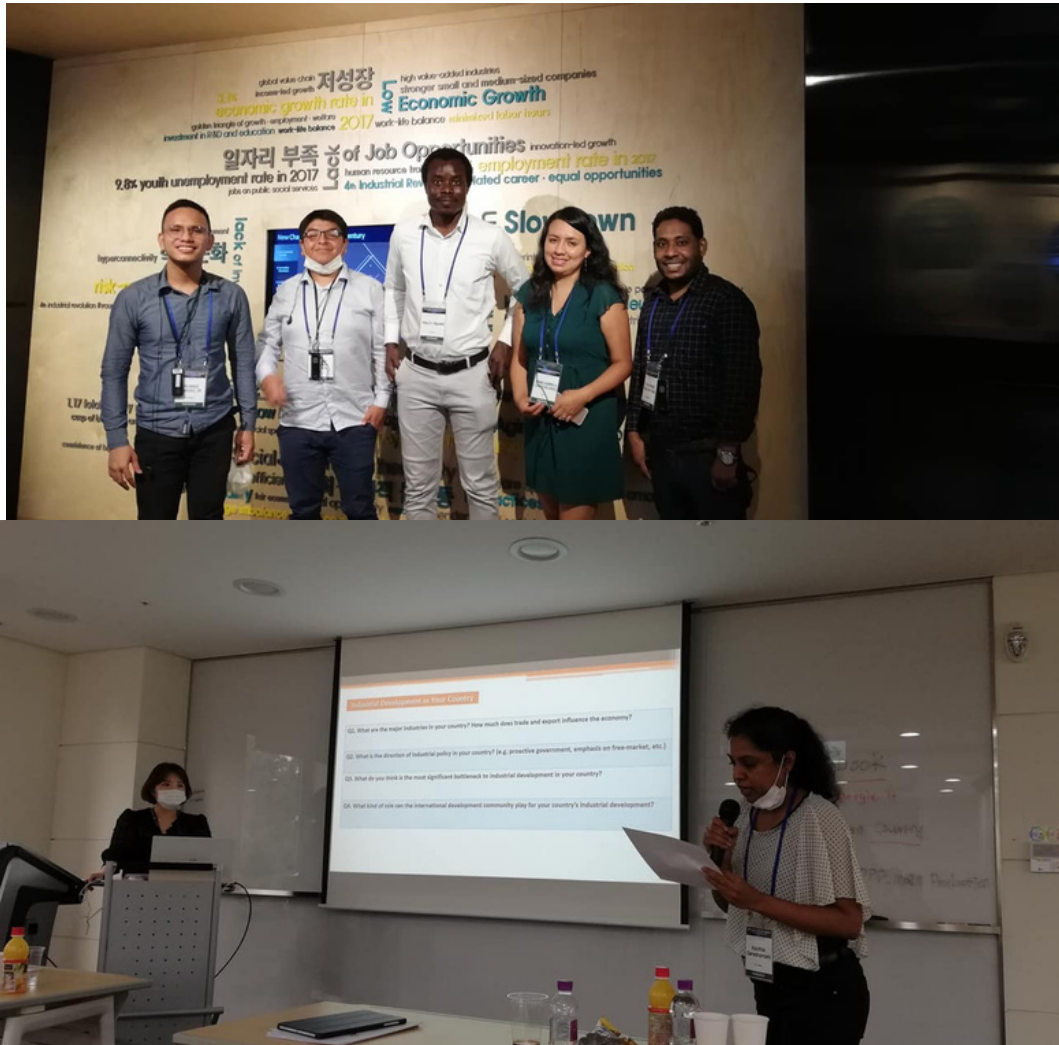
The MIPD 3rd arrived and entered here in Korea on 1st August and the university conducted a preliminary course. The students had taken basic Korean language and English, as well as they attended Seoul Life OT and National Land Development lectures through zooming system.



New students entering Korea must be quarantined for two weeks. Our MIPD students completed two weeks of self-quarantine in the school dormitory and hotel. After the quarantine, the students prepared for a new semester that begins in September. The following photos were captured from quarantine time.



MIPD Students Visited Global Knowledge Exchange and Development Center

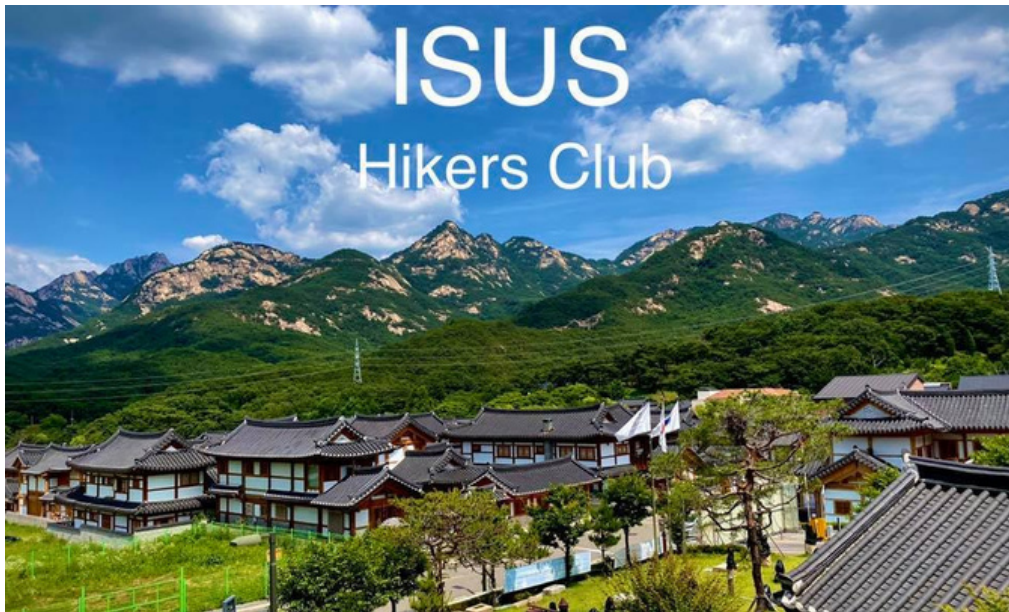


The Global Knowledge Exchange and Development Center (GKEDC) conducted the 2020 summer program for international university scholars for foreign students. As per the invitation GKEDC to the University of Seoul (UOS), MIPD (Master of Infrastructure Planning and Development) students participated from August 6th to 12th of 2020.

The program is mainly focused on, one of Korea's key educational policies, the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), which largely contributed to Korea's industrial development. The theme for this summer program will be grounded in Korea as a 'Knowledge-Based Economy', which will provide the insights and a perspective about the development where participants from various countries may apply to their country case studies. The program will also provide opportunities to meet and engage with practitioners from many other countries. As a final output, the participants will submit an original knowledge product linked to education strategies the industrial development policies in their countries.



ISUS Hikers Club



The ISUS has established “ THE ISUS HIKERS CLUB”. All ISUS students and graduates who have interests for hiking can participate. If you want to participate, you can search on ISUS Hikers club on facebook.

Hiking happens when enough members are available to gather and to go!
Please join us!



One MUAP 12th Batch Student featured on ArirangTV Gangnam Insider's Pick



The MUAP 12th batch student, Ms. Hazirah was featured experiencing the middle-aged culture in Gangnam by Episode of Gangnam Insider's Pick on Arirang TV on 25th July. The Gangnam Insider's Pick is a television program that guides and offers tips on how to enjoy Gangnam from native residents. This program is broadcasts on Arirang TV at every Saturday on 19:00 KST and Channel News Asia (CNA) at every Sunday on 20:30 KST.

For this episode, the theme was structured to explore the healthy lifestyle amongst middle aged people in Gangnam including food, fashion style, exercise, and hobbies. With the re-emerging fame of trot music among South Koreans, Hazirah and the MC received trot singing lesson from a renowned vocal trainer, Mr Park Sangju of Vocal Friends Academy.

Trot is a music genre that has been around for about 100 years since its first emergence in Korean Peninsula in the first half of the 20th century. This genre was mainly popular among the middle aged as it became less popular after 1990s. However, due to the current wave of a famous survival audition program Miss and Mister Trot, the genre has now regained its fame in the Korean music industry, even gaining fans from young children and teenagers.

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To find out more about this, please browse

<http://smtimes.sookmyung.ac.kr/news/articleView.html?idxno=10243>

Watch Hazirah, having fun during her trot singing lesson at Vocal Friends Academy online at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Ax_c0RXrTw



Goodbye Summer, Hello Autumn!



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