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ISUS Newsletter

International School of Urban Sciences, University of Seoul

Cover Story

<2022 Spring Semester Starts>

The Spring semester has started. During this semester, classes will open for two weeks through via online, and from the third week, classes will be instructed offline. For the offline classes, all the students must follow the sanitary guidelines by wearing masks and keeping social distance.

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The ceremony was initiated by MC's introduction of Professor Han's career, for later speeches, plaque presentation, and video projection to keep pleasant memories with him and rekindle joy, including the appointment ceremony of emeritus professor by presenting the certificate granted by the President of the University of Seoul.



You can check the video of the ceremony at these links:

YouTube : <https://is.gd/NHr3u6> (QR Code :



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Facebook: <https://is.gd/pdUuEp> (QR Code:



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Additionally, here we share his farewell message below:

Farewell Greetings from Prof. Han, Man-hee

Dear my students,

Thank you all for your celebration greetings on my retirement. Many Korean students came to the ceremony and gave me flowers and presents. Some foreign students sent me warm messages through video, Facebook and Kakao. Your warm heart wishing me good luck for the future made me very happy and reminded me of joyous times in classrooms, field trips, etc.

I worked as a government official for 41 and half years, i.e. 33 years in MOLIT and 8 and half years in ISUS. A lengthy period of time. In this period, the time I spent in the ISUS is special. It gives me a bundle of feelings including affection, innocence, passion, solidarity, harmony, achievement, etc. All in all the eight and half years working for ISUS as a professor can be said the glory days in my life. I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to all the ISUS family who share good old memories with me.

These days I began to feel that I have worked enough for the government and that now is the right time to retire and take rest. From now on, I would like to do what I haven't been able to do because of lack of time or my laziness. Travel is one of them. Some good places in this country and foreign countries are on my list of travel destinations. When I go abroad I am going to call ISUS alumni there to say hello and, if possible, have tea or dinner together. Once again, thank you very much for your kindness sending me warm greetings. I will keep you all in my heart for long. I love you all.

Best wishes,
Man-Hee Han

Also, you can read about his career below:

Education

- Ph.D. in Urban & Regional Studies, Center for Urban & Regional Studies, University of Birmingham, U.K., 1992
- M.Phil. in Urban & Regional Studies, Center for Urban & Regional Studies, University of Birmingham, U.K., 1988
- M.A. in Public Administration, Yonsei University, 1980
- B.A. in Business Administration, Yonsei University, 1978

Major Career

- 2022.3 Emeritus Professor, ISUS
- 2021.9 – 2022.2 Executive Vice President for External Cooperation of University of Seoul
- 2013.8 – 2022.2 Professor, ISUS
- 2013.8 – 2018.8 Dean, ISUS
- 2011 – 2013 Vice Minister, MoLIT
- 2010 – 2011 Chairman, MACC (Sejong City)
- 2009 – 2010 Deputy Minister, Housing and Land Policy
- 2008 – 2009 Assistant minister, Territorial Policy
- 1983 – 2010 Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MoLIT)

External Activities

- Co-representative, Agaforum (Beautiful Houses Forum) (2014.6~)
- President, Korea Real Estate Finance & Investment Forum (KOREFI, 2018.11~)
- President, Institute of Smart City & Architecture (ISCA, 2019.6~)
- Chairman, Museum of Urbanism & Architecture construction promotion Committee (2020.5~)

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Distinguished guests, family, and friends attended the ceremony to congratulate and celebrate this special day with the graduates.

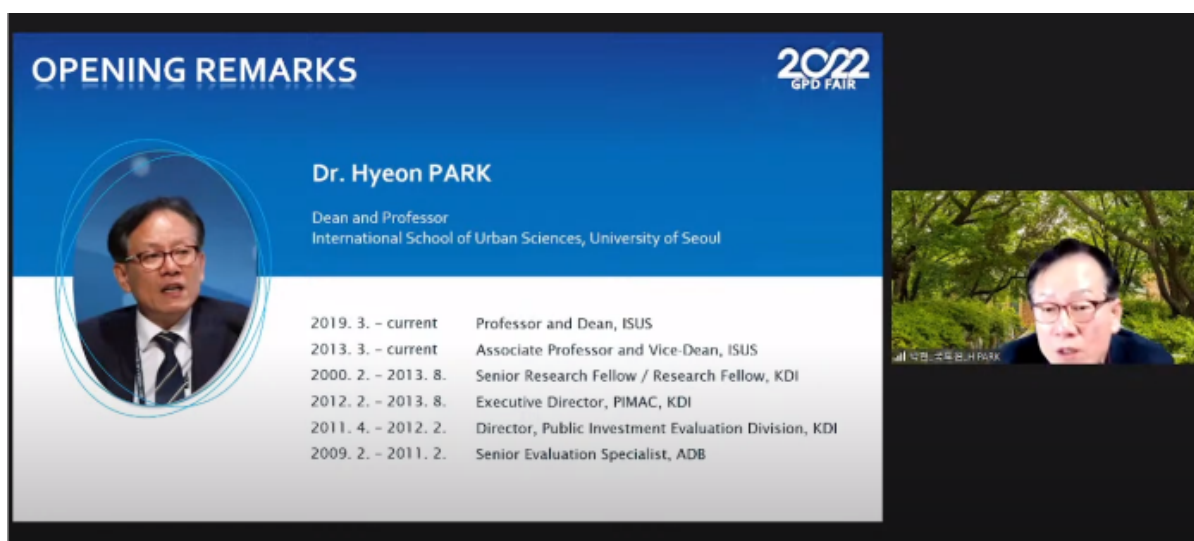
ISUS wishes all the graduates success in their future careers or further studies and proudly congratulates them on their academic achievements and successful graduation.

The ceremony was concluded by a photo session to reminisce this meaningful event.

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The Fair was held in two sessions:

- 1.- Urban Regeneration and Infrastructure Development,
- 2.- Environmental and Energy; seven projects were presented.

The organizations that participated and professors voted for Best and Excellent presentations in each session, being awarded the following teams:

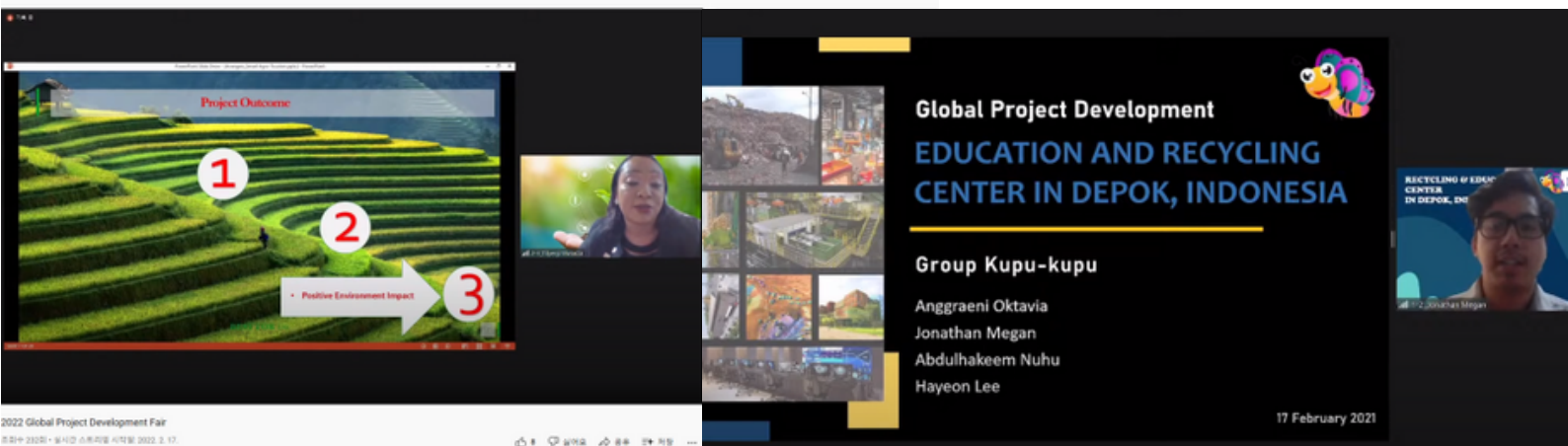
Session 1:

Excellent Presentation: HOPE-156/Fourtatoes (2 teams)

Session 2:

Excellent Presentation: Wetlanders

Best Presentation: Avengers



You can check the information about the Team Names, Project Names and Team Members in the following tables:

Session 1: Urban Regeneration and Infrastructure Development

Team Name	Title	Members
ACE Team	Smart Underground Waste Collection System	- LEE JUNSUB (SUD, KOREA) - Tharika CHHENG (MGLEP, CAMBODIA) - Sladana Milovanovic (MUAP, Serbia) - Varnansio BYARUGABA (MURD, UGANDA)
Kupu-kupu	Education and Recycling Center In Depok City Indonesia	- LEE hayeon (GC, KOREA) - Anggraeni OKTAVIA (MGLEP, INDONESIA) - Jonathan MEGAN (MGLEP, INDONESIA) - Abdulhakeem Nuhu ABUBAKAR (MURD, NIGERIA)
HOPE-156	Urban slum upgrading in Hlaing Thar Yar, Myanmar	- Kim NamHee (SUD, KOREA) - Chan Virak SOK (MGLEP, CAMBODIA) - Thwe Khaing Soe (MGLEP, MYANMAR) - Rizka Fadhilah ADNIN (MUAP, INDONESIA) - Devayana TARISSA (MIPD, INDONESIA)
Fourtatoes	Baku Waterway Transit Project	- GWON JOOYOUNG (GC, KOREA) - Nargiz GULMALIYEVA (MURD, AZERBAIJAN) - Riska MUSLIMAH (MIPD, INDONESIA) - Sovanrotanak CHIN (MIPD, CAMBODIA)

Session 2: Environment and Energy

Team Name	Title	Members
Wakatobi	Wangi-wangi Island Wind Farm	- LEE JAEHEON (GC, KOREA) - Mareta FARYANTI (MGLEP, INDONESIA) - Kate Louis ORIGENES (MURD, PHILIPPINES) - Alifah Binti AHMAD (MIPD, MALAYSIA)
Wetlanders	El Kheneg Wetland and Arboretum	- Aissa KOUIDRI (MGLEP, ALGERIA) - Anne Nasieku MPAAYEI (MGLEP, KENYA) - Karla Patricia MANDUJANO GARCIA (MGLEP, MEXICO) - Siqui ZHAO (MGLEP, CHINA)
Avengers	Nijgadh Smart Agro-Tourist Farm	- LEE CHOHYUN (SUD, KOREA) - KWON BA REUM (GC, KOREA) - Umesh Kumar CHAUDHARY (MUAP, NEPAL) - Tilyenji Justina MWANZA (MUAP, ZAMBIA) - Lucia Maria Quintao FREITAS (MURD, TIMOR-LESTE) - Sharaf RADJABOV (MIPD, UZBEKISTAN)

Congratulations on their great job to all teams.

Newsletter Interview Article: MURD Student Nargiz Gulmaliyeva

ISUS presents a special series of interviews to share stories of ISUS members.

For March's interview, let us read about Nargiz Gulmaliyeva (MURD 5), who is the head of a Non-Governmental Organization named "The Center of Youth Initiatives: Together". She will share her experiences, and how the ISUS program affects her career.



Q1. Please, introduce yourself.

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : Hello, I am Nargiz Gulmaliyeva from Azerbaijan. Currently, I am the Head of an NGO named "The Center of Youth Initiatives 'Together'". I am a mobility expert specialized in Public Transport, and I have been a public activist and nonprofit sector professional for a long time, I have managed to earn grants from different international organizations and implement various projects on youth participation

During my career in the nonprofessional sector, I have picked interest in urban and regional development, particularly the mobility aspect of this. That is how I ended up working for Baku Transport Agency as a strategic planner and analyst, where I was responsible for the development of long and short-term strategic planning, business analyzing and project management. Besides these tasks, I was also leading the external communication of the organization with international partners such as ADB, EBRD, World Bank, UITP, KOICA, and so on. During my tenure at the Agency, my team and I have developed a Parking Policy and Taxi regulation framework for Baku City by learning the international experience and considering the local circumstances which are expected to be implemented very soon in our capital city. I am also a Member of the Working Group on development of Regional Road Safety Observatories within the Eastern Partnership Cooperation in Road Safety by World Bank since 2019. Additionally, I was a Member of the Working Group on development of Baku City General Plan 2040 representing Baku Transport Agency and was responsible for urban mobility aspects of the project.

Q2. Could you describe the organization (BTA) you belonged to and what was your job position like?

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : The Baku Transport Agency is a government authority that regulates and oversees passenger transportation and participates in the organization of traffic in the administrative territory of Baku. Also starting in 2018, ITS Center was handed over under the management of BTA. As a strategic planner, I was responsible for the organization of the division activity with more than 5 employees and ensuring timely implementation of projects assigned to it. And I was developing and recommending the organization's strategic and long-range goals based on analysis and studies of business conditions and developed business plans and oversaw mission-critical programs and assignments, in terms of progress, budget adherence, communication. I also performed all data research and analysis on all projects and assisted in the research process with help of appropriate data mining tools. One more thing I was responsible for is building relationships and maintaining communication exchange with external parties and international organizations. And all the mentioned responsibilities included the operations and strategic planning of ITS Center.

Q3. We heard that they are managing ITS center. Could you briefly explain what this center is and the projects they are working on?

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : ITS Center in Baku was developed and installed by a Korean company – SK C&C in 2011. The main purpose of establishing the center was to respond to social needs and resolve the increasing transportation problems. Intelligent Transport Management Center focuses on the key Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) technologies, including an integrated network of transportation information, advanced transportation monitoring and management, analysis and optimization of the current situation, crash & incident detection, notification and response, advanced crash avoidance technology amongst others, in order to improve the safety, security, efficiency, comfort, mobile access, and environment. Currently, the ITS Center is working on Traffic lights signal management, Public Transportation improvement and regulation, Intelligent Transport Systems such as CCTVs, BIS, VVDC, Illegal Parking Management, and Geographic information system (GIS).

Q4. And now, you are working for NGO, That's awesome! Could you describe your current job with a simple explanation of the organization as well?

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : The Center of Youth Initiatives “Together” was founded and started its activities in 2008, The main activities of our NGO include organization and implementation of various projects on youth participation in the public sector, environmental issues, human rights etc. through grants provided by different international organizations. The main duties that I perform as Head of the Center are like directing all aspects of a nonprofit organization with 15 employees, 200 volunteers, and 2000 members, managing the annual budget and leading a senior team of 5 to exceed the organizational goal. And I'm also accountable for strategic planning, human resources, finance management, fundraising management leadership and policymaking and serve as a public spokesperson for the organization; deliver presentations to various groups and manage media relations.

Q5. How did the ISUS programs help you with building your career?

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : After working on different projects on different scales, from NGO projects to contributing to two urban mobility plans during my professional journey, it has become evident to me that there is a tremendous requirement of Urban and Regional Developers with great leadership qualities and technical expertise in Azerbaijan, where it is time to start tackling the root causes of urban and regional issues, rather than continuing the ineffective approach of addressing their effects. Working as Strategic Planner for urban mobility changed my perception toward the urban dynamics and directed my attention to the urgency of resilient infrastructure, good governance, and use of technology in combating it. I understood that I must gain expertise in this field from one of the global leaders such as South Korea with an active stance in addressing resilient development through a sustainable and integrated development approach. University of Seoul's master's program in Urban and Regional Development is the course that aligns with my career goals. Its unique curriculum that consists of courses like National Territorial Planning and Development, Smart Cities and Climate Change and Sustainable Development are some unconventional subjects which I would be unable to find in Azerbaijan. Moreover, the master thesis in the final semester under the excellent guidance of the faculty in this program would prove to be crucial for me in strengthening my foundation for my future career plans.



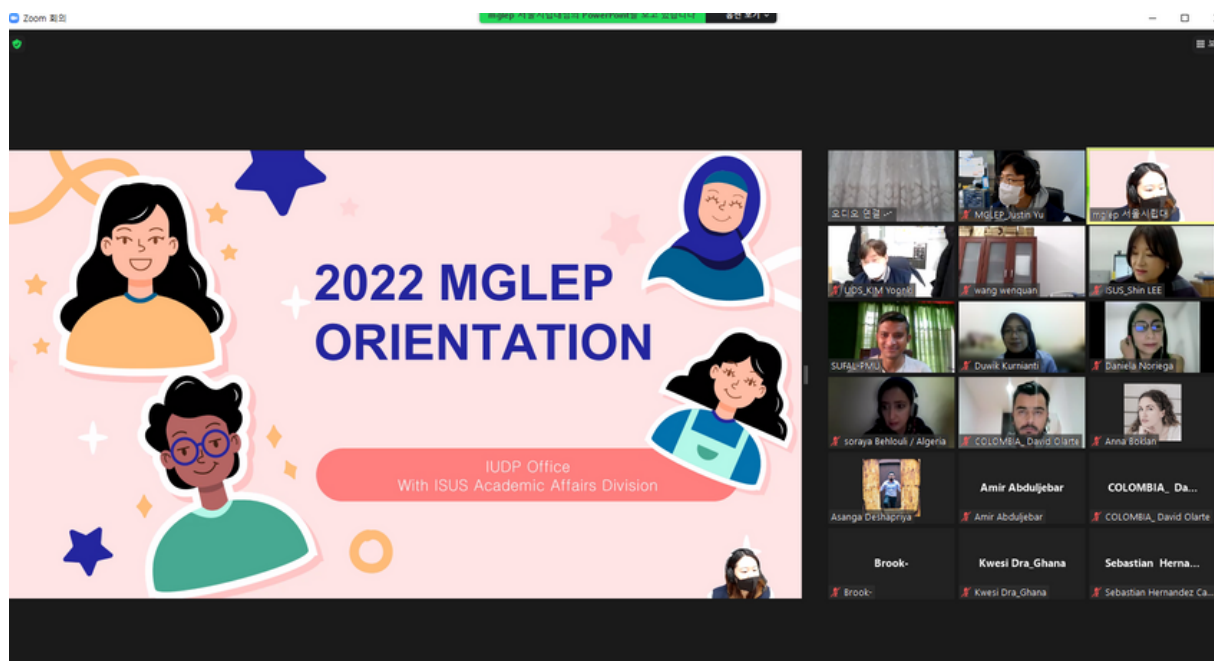
Q6. Could you share with us the most memorable experience from ISUS?

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : I was fortunate enough to be accepted to the MURD program. I like my classmates and with some of them I made lifelong friendships that will go beyond the university campus, and I consider them as one of the most important assets that ISUS helped me to gain. When I think about the most memorable experience that has most affected me, I find most striking those that have taught me something new and helped me develop a greater insight into myself. I have had a few memorable experiences that have taught me important things. One of them is our preparation for the Global Project Development class. I find it very amusing and incredible that people from different countries and cultural backgrounds, as well as with different career history can come together and work on the project as a team. Our team was lucky to win as a result of voting at the end of the class and we are excited to present our Project in front of different professionals during the GPD Fair. I do believe that I will have even more incredible memories ahead, that will help shape my identity and professionalism.

Q7. Do you have any other words to share with ISUS students?

Nargiz Gulmaliyeva : I wish that ISUS students enjoy their time in Korea and enrich their professional careers with the opportunities that the master's programs at ISUS offer. I believe that the memories and friendships that we all made here and the knowledge that we gained through the program will remain with us for many years to come. I hope the ISUS network, and its members will always stay together despite the distances and support each other in future endeavors.

MGLEP Batch 8 Preliminary Session



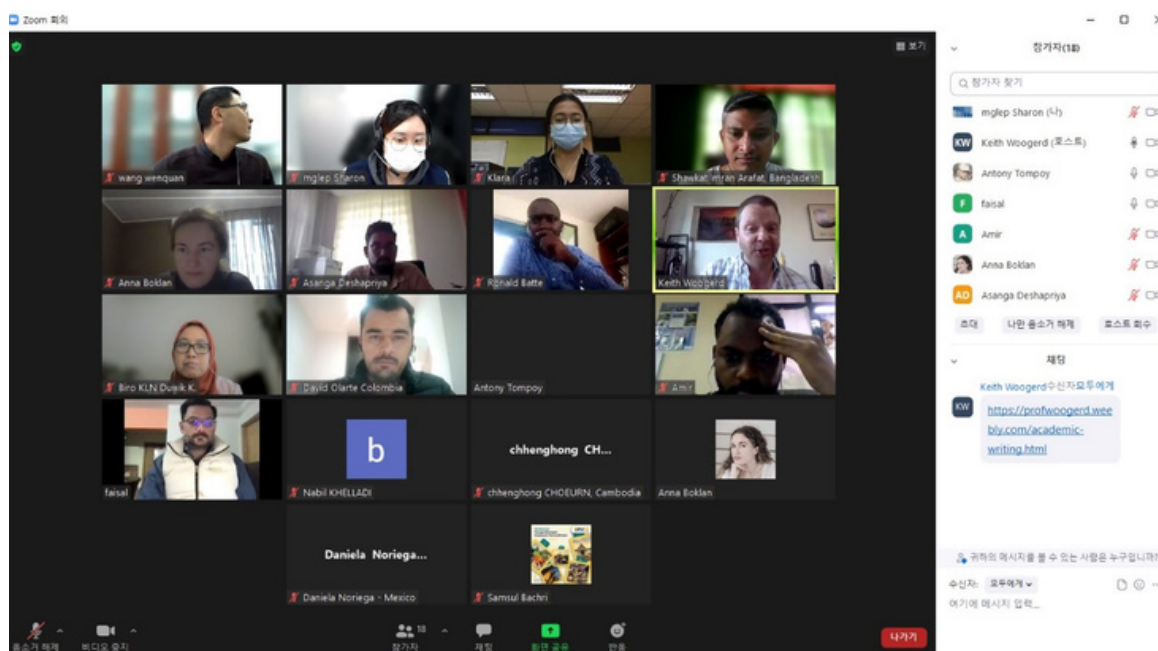
From February 21 to 25, 2022, new MGLEP batch 8 started their new student life by attending preliminary sessions. It was a one-week condensed session, with fruitful education including Korean and Academic English.

MGLEP 8 Schedule of February and March

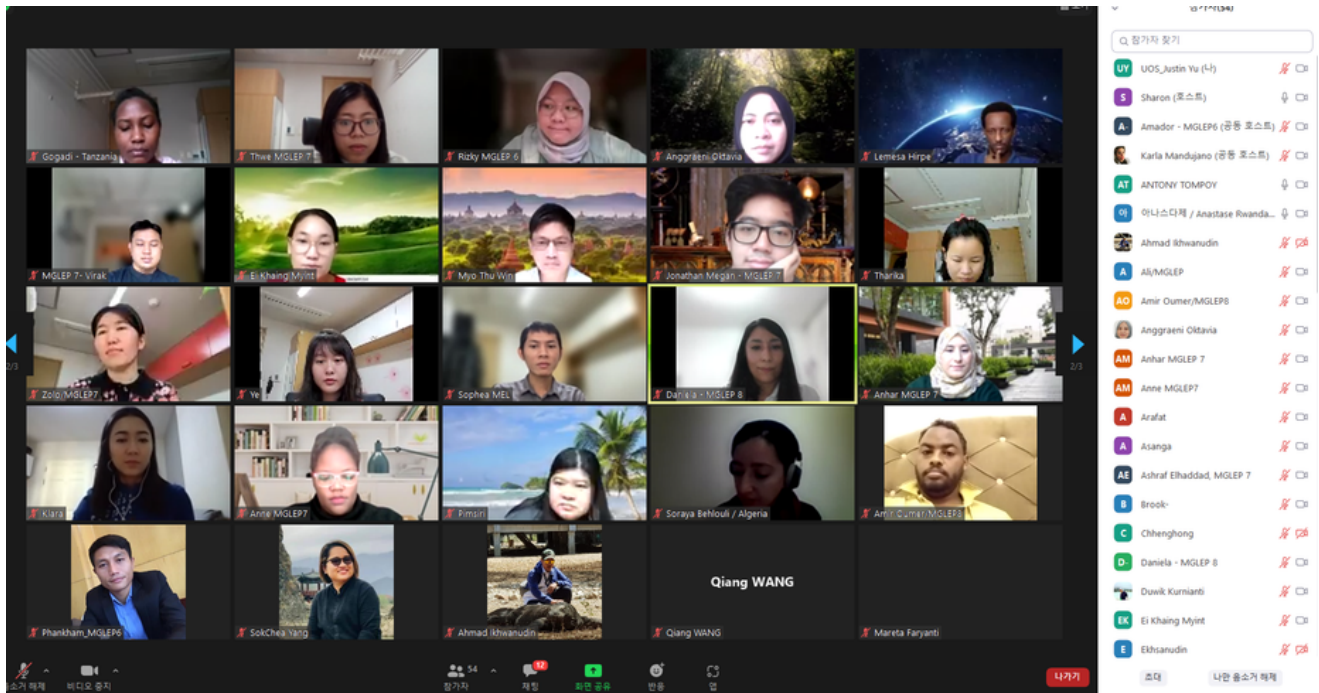
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15:00~18:00 Basic Korean	15:00~18:00 Academic English	15:00~18:00 Basic Korean	15:00~16:00 Seoul Life	15:00~18:00 Academic English
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Since no one has yet arrived in Seoul and everyone was attending classes in their home country, the time difference was a challenge for some students. Nevertheless, they have completed the sessions.



Besides the academic sessions, MGLEP batch 8 had a chance to meet their senior's batch 6 and 7. As seniors, they shared their experiences and achievements in Seoul, which they have gained during their study at the University of Seoul. In this MGLEP meeting participated 22 students from batch 8, 24 people from batch 7, and 11 people from batch 6.



Welcome to the ISUS family to MGLEP 8 students!

MUAP 14 Internship

MUAP 14 students participated in their internship during this winter vacation. Due to the COVID19 situation, internship programs were prepared both online and offline, depending on each organization.



<Internship in SMG Architecture Planning Division>



<SUSA Internship>

Before the internship started, MUAP 14 and Prof. Joon Park had orientation on January 12, 2022. The internship program was implemented in Seoul Metropolitan Government and related organizations like CityNet, Seoul Energy Corporation, Seoul Human Resource Development Center(SHRDC), Seoul Metro, Seoul Urban Solutions Agency(SUSA), and WeGO.



<SHRDC Internship>

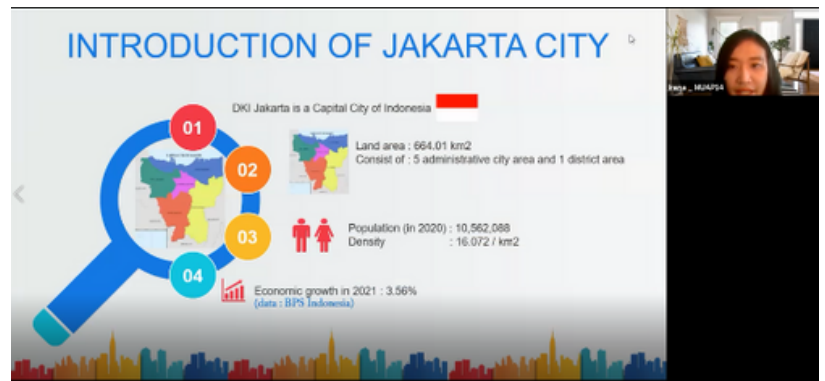


<SHRDC Internship>

Even though it was not easy to attend the internship because of the severe COVID19 situation, all MUAP students participated, with activities such as preparing a report, searching information, helping the organization's work, and communicating with officers.



<Seoul Energy Corporation Internship>



<Seoul Metro Internship>



<CityNet Internship>

Thanks to the internship programs, they could broaden their understanding about each organization, which is hard to learn during coursework. MUAP students also created good relationships with organizations, as a public officer from their countries.

MURD Winter Internship

MURD batch 5 has finished their Internship in this winter break. Due to the COVID-19, not all the students have long internship arrangement. For MURD, there were several organizations which offered the internship opportunities: ITS Korea, UNESCO i-WSSM (International Center for Water Security and Sustainable Management), Seoul Metro, Korea Forest Service(KFS), DL E&C, and KRIHS(Korea Research Institute for Human Settlements). Those who could not participate in the internship mainly because of the limited seats, joined 2022 winter program for Graduate School of International Studies in GKEDC(Global Knowledge Exchange & Development Center). Many students expressed their satisfaction with the opportunities to build global networking, but some said the internship would have been much better if it were held offline. ISUS keeps expanding the set of host institutions, and hopes for another internship opportunity for the next vacation.



UOS Campus in March



Spring Semester begins!



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