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## **Master's Degree Full Scholarship by KOICA and Ajou University** **- 2021 KOICA-AJOU Civil Society Leadership**

Greetings from Ajou University in Korea!

We are very pleased to announce the launch of our new fully-funded program of **MA in Civil Society Leadership** in Graduate School of International Studies at Ajou University. In this program, we will provide Master-level graduate education opportunity for managers of civil society organizations and NGOs in Asian countries, so that they will be better serving the organizations and civil society in their respective countries. We are especially happy to provide full-scholarships, provided by KOICA (Korea International Cooperation Agency), to all students in this program, including not just tuition fees but also the allowance, accommodation, insurance, and roundtrip airfares.

Admission for KOICA-Ajou Master's Degree Program in Civil Society Leadership will take place once a year for fall semester beginning in 2021, and this new program of MA in Civil Society Leadership at Ajou University is currently accepting applications for the fall semester of 2021. The deadline for this year's application is **June 2, 2021**.

For this first-year of this exciting new Master's program, we are looking for talented members of well-respected civil society organizations (CSO) who are highly interested in gaining academic and professional knowledge in order to play a key role in each country's economic and social development as a key member of civil society organizations.

We are spreading this news to only a few selected organizations in Asian countries, which are highly respected in each country. It will be of our great honor and joy if you encourage your colleagues and friends in your organization or other respectable ones to have interest in considering the opportunity and applying. Information of the program details are to be seen in the followings:

A. Program Title : 2021 KOICA-Ajou Master's Degree Program in Civil Society Leadership

B. Eligible Countries : Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao PDR, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Republic of Fiji, Republic of Kazakhstan, Republic of Tajikistan, Republic of Uzbekistan, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, The Independent State of Papua New Guinea, The Philippines, Timor-Leste, Turkmenistan, Vietnam

C. Affiliation : Applicants should be members of well-respected civil society organizations (CSO) with a minimum two years of experience. Applicants must provide two recommendation letters written by someone in each of the following two categories:

- 1) a senior member of your organization, an UN-associated organization, or other global civil society organization; and
- 2) a senior member of your government office, Korean Embassy or the KOICA Overseas Office within your region.



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D. Training University : Graduate School of International Studies(GSIS), Ajou University  
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E. Degree : Master of Arts in Social Studies (Civil Society Leadership)

F. Language of the program: English (English proficiency is necessary.)

G. Length of the Program (Duration of stay in Korea): 17 months (August 14, 2021  
~ January 13, 2023)

H. Scholarship : The following expenses will be covered by KOICA during the participant's stay in Korea.

- Tuition & Admission fee
- Accommodation (on-campus dormitory; double occupancy)
- Allowance: KRW 999,000 per month (to cover the meal, books and study supplies, etc.)
- Overseas travel insurance, etc.

I. Application Deadline : Wednesday, June 2, 2021 [to KOICA overseas offices. (Applicants in India, Republic of Kazakhstan, Republic of Tajikistan, Solomon Islands, The Independent State of Papua New Guinea, Turkmenistan: to Embassy of Korea)]

\* Application deadline can differ depending of each KOICA regional office situation.  
Please contact the KOICA regional office in your country.

For more detailed information about this new opportunity, please visit our information page at <http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr/gsis/Admission/Scholarship-Program.jsp> or email us at [gsis@ajou.ac.kr](mailto:gsis@ajou.ac.kr).

\*Program Brochure and application documents are attached.

\* Please be aware that the application deadline for 2021 AJOU-KOICA Scholarship Program is **Wednesday, June 2**, and application materials should be sent to **KOICA office** in your region (Applicants in India, Republic of Kazakhstan, Republic of Tajikistan, Solomon Islands, The Independent State of Papua New Guinea, Turkmenistan: to Embassy of Korea).

We highly appreciate your time and willingness to share this program information with your colleagues. We would be immensely honored to be given a chance to help bright minds of your organization to further develop their capacity to make contribution for the development of civil society in your country/region.

Sincerely Yours,

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