

TESTIMONIALS



"Through the SDSU Korean Program and the mentorship of its dedicated faculty, I cultivated a deep intellectual and cultural appreciation that ultimately inspired me to relocate to Korea after graduation. The experience proved profoundly transformative. Now, as an English teacher in Korea, I remain immensely grateful to the Korean program at SDSU for fostering growth and guiding me toward this meaningful path in my career and life." – **Gracey Kim**

"Being adopted, it has always been my goal to learn Korean to better understand the culture. The Korean classes at SDSU have been welcoming and engaging, making a daunting subject truly rewarding. I have gained a meaningful understanding of Korean language and culture and developed a newfound pride in being Korean. It was one of the best choices I could have made, turning a language course into a lasting passion." – **Will Dodd**



SDSU offers a comprehensive Korean program with language and culture courses, as well as a certificate in Korean Language and Culture.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- International business and marketing
- English teaching positions in Korea
- Translation and interpretation
- K-culture/digital media creation
- Tourism and trade
- Graduate studies/researcher
- NGO/nonprofit program officer

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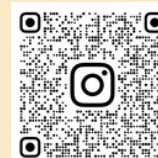
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KOREAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

COURSES AND CERTIFICATE



The Korean Program welcomes students from all backgrounds and is proud to support the diverse language and cultural interests of the San Diego community.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Fall Semester

- **KOR 101** Elementary Korean I [GE]
- **KOR 201** Intermediate Korean I [GE]
- **KOR 301** Third Year Korean I [GE]
- **KOR 430** Contemporary Korean Culture through Media [GE]

Spring Semester

- **KOR 102** Elementary Korean II [GE]
- **KOR 202** Intermediate Korean II [GE]
- **KOR 302** Third Year Korean II [GE]
- **KOR 311** Advanced Korean Conversation [GE]
- **KOR 321** Korean Civilization [GE]

Every Semester

- **KOR 490** Practicum in Teaching Korean as a Second Language



KOREAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE CLASSES

The **Language Courses** focus on helping students develop **comprehensive communication skills** while gaining insights into **modern Korean society**. All Korean courses are part of the curriculum for both Asian and Pacific Studies and International Business majors.

The lower-division courses fulfill the GE foreign language requirements.

The upper-division courses fulfill the requirements for the Korean Language and Culture Certificate.

The Korean program also offers a range of culture-focused courses, including **KOR 321** (an overview of modern Korean history through screen culture) and **KOR 430** (exploration of contemporary Korean culture as seen in film, TV, and pop culture). We also offer **KOR 490** (hands-on experience for aspiring language educators).

**For students who enrolled in the 'Korean Studies Certificate' program prior to Fall 2024, Courses and Requirements at the time of enrollment are still in effect. Please consult the Korean Language Advisor.*

CERTIFICATE

Courses & Requirements

The **Korean Language and Culture Certificate*** requires 14 units to include:

Required courses (11 units total):

- **KOR 202** Intermediate Korean II
- **KOR 301** Third Year Korean I
- **KOR 302** Third Year Korean II

One course (3 units total) selected from the following:

- **KOR 311** Adv. Korean Conversation
- **KOR 321/ASIAN 321** Korean Civilization
- **KOR 430/ASIAN 430** Contemporary Korean Culture through Media
- **KOR 496** Topics in Korean Studies

The Certificate demonstrates a **high proficiency** in the **Korean language** and a foundational understanding of Korean culture and history. It is designed to enhance students' job opportunities in Korea-related companies and employability in TESL to learners with a Korean background. To sign up, contact certificate program coordinator: Darlene Bych dbych@sdsu.edu