AGREEMENT FOR A MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM
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AND ITS GRADUATE SCHOOL OF TESOL
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AND
THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF
GEORGIA BY AND ON BEHALF OF
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COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
APPLIED LINGUISTICS AND ESL, ATLANTA, U.S.A.
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This document hereby establishes an agreement between Sookmyung Women's University and its
Graduate School of TESOL, Seoul, Korea (herein Sookmyung) and the College of Arts and Sciences
at Georgia State University (herein Georgia State), a unit of the Board of Regents of the University
system of Georgia, Atlanta, United States of America. The parties hereby agree to establish an
affiliation for the purpose of establishing a cooperative Master’s Program.

The focus of this agreement is the establishment of a Master’s Program in Applied Linguistics in
which qualified students from Sookmyung complete a TESOL certificate at their home institution
in Korea and one year of their coursework on site at Georgia State University in the United States
of America. The one year of coursework will include a Fall, Spring, and Summer term.

Responsibilities of Sookmyung University

1. For each academic year during the term of this Agreement, Sookmyung agrees to recruit
students for the program by publicizing it in appropriate places (e.g., the university website).

2. Sookmyung agrees to select and recommend up to five (5) qualified students per year. These
numbers may be modified in the future by mutual written agreement.

3. Sookmyung agrees to support the selected students by helping them with required
paperwork such as facilitating the F-1 U.S. visa process.

4. Sookmyung students must be in good academic standing in their program and must
demonstrate sufficient English language proficiency by achieving a composite score of 97 on
the iBT (internet-based) TOEFL with a 22 on writing and a 24 on speaking. Any deviation to
these scores will be subject to mutual agreement of both universities.

5. Students will take the GSTEP (Georgia State Test of English Proficiency) upon arrival to
Georgia State. Based on their GSTEP scores, students may be required to take one or more
ESL courses concurrently with their academic courses.

Sookmyung students must also meet all other entrance requirements of the MA Applied
Linguistics program at Georgia State including
• Completed application form
• One copy of official transcripts from all colleges attended
• Two recommendation letters
• A statement of professional and academic goals

All materials must be submitted by June 1 for Fall and November 15 for Spring.

6. Sookmyung students shall have completed an undergraduate degree and a TESOL certificate at Sookmyung Women’s University prior to participation at Georgia State (as per the attached schedule of courses in Appendix B)

Responsibilities of Georgia State University

1. Georgia State agrees to accept up to five (5) qualified graduate students per year from Sookmyung into the program. The number of Sookmyung students accepted by Georgia State depends on the qualifications of the students based on the review of their GPAs, TOEFL scores, etc., and financial support available.

2. Georgia State agrees to transfer up to nine credit hours (three courses) earned at Sookmyung to Georgia State in order to meet the required credits for acquiring the Master’s degree from Georgia State.

3. Georgia State will request out-of-state (non-resident) tuition waivers on behalf of the Sookmyung participants on this program. These waivers allow participants to pay in-state (resident) tuition and fees. Out-of-state waivers are granted as available and on a competitive basis; as such, they cannot be guaranteed. The waivers would be granted to participants in this program for a maximum of two semesters, contingent upon the participants maintaining full-time status and maintaining a minimum 3.0 GPA at Georgia State.

4. The director of graduate studies in the Department of Applied Linguistics and ESL at Georgia State will examine the transcript and authorize any credit transfer.

5. Georgia State agrees to produce the documentation necessary for students to obtain their F-1 U.S. visas.

6. Georgia State agrees to confer Master of Arts degrees for the Sookmyung students if they have completed the curriculum and meet all requirements for acquiring the Master of Arts Degree from Georgia State.

This agreement becomes effective on the date it is duly signed by representatives of both institutions. The term of the Agreement shall commence on the effective date and shall be in effect for five (5) years, unless earlier terminated by either party. The first Sookmyung students are expected by Spring 2015. Either party may terminate this agreement by serving written
notice to the other party, provided such request is made at least six months before termination is to become effective and takes into consideration end dates for on-going students. The Agreement shall not extend beyond one (1) academic year if Georgia State assumes any financial obligations by entering into this Agreement and, in no event, shall the term of this Agreement extend beyond five (5) academic years.

Alterations of provisions of this agreement by any side can become effective only upon written agreement and consent of all parties.

This agreement may be renewed by mutual consent of both parties.

Both parties to this Agreement subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity, and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, age, ethnicity, religion, national origin, or disability.

To further facilitate the program, additional institutional details of this program are provided in Appendix A.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands.

The undersigned agree to these Bylaws on behalf of their respective institutions.

Sookmyung Women’s University and its Graduate School of TESOL

Dr. Park, Chun II
Vice President,
Office of External Relations

Date

Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by and on behalf of Georgia State University

Dr. Jun Liu, Associate Provost for International Initiatives

Date

Dr. Byungchul Choi
Dean, Graduate School of Professional Studies

Date

Dr. William J. Long
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Date
Appendix A
Additional Program Information for the
Sookmyung-Georgia State Master of Arts Program

Most of the information in this Appendix is in the Georgia State Graduate Catalog, posted on the website, in sections related to the requirements for international students. The information has also been placed in this Appendix to make it easier for Sookmyung students to access. Additional information related particularly to this program is also included.

Qualifications for Participation

A. To participate in the program, Sookmyung students will complete online Georgia State applications and submit supporting materials. Students will be accepted when their records demonstrate that they meet the requirements for admission as transfer students. They must also submit the required immunization (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella or MMR as well as Tetanus-Diphtheria; Varicella and Hepatitis B) documentation. Additionally, they must submit appropriate documentation to allow Georgia State University to certify them as eligible for F-1 visas, including financial documentation.

Georgia State shall have final authority over decisions regarding admission of students.

Courses and Credit

A. Sookmyung students must meet the prerequisites of each selected course. Students are required by Georgia State to take a minimum of 9 credit hours per semester during Spring and Fall semesters, and 7 credit hours during the Summer term.

B. In addition to completing at least 27 credit hours at Georgia State, students must complete MA portfolios, an MA paper, 6 PDs (professional development events), and 60 hours of CBE (classroom-based experience).

Tuition and Fees

A. Access to Georgia State campus facilities will be granted to Sookmyung program students on the same conditions and, where applicable, at the same fees as for domestic students. Miscellaneous fees for special courses, material, fieldwork courses, books, etc. will be the responsibility of each participant (except when indicated otherwise in writing).

B. Student tuition, fees and insurance for Sookmyung students will be paid in U.S. funds by participating Sookmyung students. All monies are due at the time of registration. Application and processing fees are due with the application forms.

Insurance and Other Expenses

A. Sookmyung students will be responsible for personal health, hospitalization and accident
insurance coverage, including a repatriation & medical evacuation plan, as well as liability coverage. Sookmyung students will be charged for Georgia State's international student and scholar insurance policy. Sookmyung students may apply for a waiver of Georgia State's insurance policy by providing evidence of an equivalent or better insurance coverage than that provided by Georgia State University.

B. Sookmyung students will pay for their own travel between Korea and Atlanta.

C. Food, housing, transportation costs, books and other school expenses, and personal expenses will be borne by the Sookmyung students. The Georgia State Housing Office will provide information about on-campus housing that is available to students. Space in the university residence halls is limited therefore Sookmyung students should apply for housing as early as possible and complete the application process and pay required deposits by January 1st of the year they plan to transfer to Georgia State. If a student is not successful in their application, there are many other off-campus housing options available. Payment for any applicable housing and meal plan charges is due by the published payment deadline for each term.

Visa Requirements

The Georgia State program director will forward all necessary international student/scholar data to Georgia State's International Student and Scholar Services office to enable Sookmyung students to apply for an F-1 visa. Documentation of sufficient financial resources in the United States is also required - the quoted 2012 amount from International Student and Scholar Services is $1,315.00 per month – subject to change. Forms will be provided by Georgia State.

The above information must be received at Georgia State approximately three (3) to four (4) months preceding the international student’s arrival to the U.S. This documentation enables Georgia State to sponsor the students as part of the agreement but does not commit Georgia State to any financial support.

Employment

This Agreement does not permit Sookmyung students to engage in internships/teaching practice placements or any other off-campus employment of Sookmyung students in the United States.

Student Records and Content

A. At Georgia State University, transcript requests are ordered online by the student and can be ordered any time after the formal grading process has been complete. Students can receive a paper copy in person or by the United States Postal Service, or request an electronic copy to be emailed. Each student receives five free transcripts; after that Georgia State charges $10 per transcript.
B. Sookmyung students will be required to adhere to the rules and regulations of Georgia State. This includes matters pertaining to class attendance, discipline, and any other matters affecting relationships with Georgia State. Georgia State and Sookmyung program directors will liaise with their home institutions on these matters.

C. Georgia State reserves the right to dismiss any program student at any time for academic or personal misconduct in violation of established regulations provided, however that the Host Institution will, absent extenuating circumstances, attempt to consult with the Home Institution before implementing such action. The dismissal of a student shall not abrogate the agreement, or the arrangements regarding other students.

D. During the course of their study, Sookmyung students wishing to travel outside of Atlanta should inform the GSU Program Coordinator and provide emergency contact numbers.

Program Coordination

A. Each institution agrees to appoint a program coordinator to ensure that the terms of the program are carried out. Each coordinator will, serve as the primary contact person at each institution, ensure the general welfare of Sookmyung students, ensure that necessary approvals are in place, and have academic oversight of the program. They will also serve as the contact persons responsible for arrangements associated with visits.

The coordinator of this program at Sookmyung is NamJoon Kang, Associate Professor and Director, Graduate School of TESOL (2ga, Hyochangwon Street, Namyoungdong, Yongsaknu, 140-742, Seoul, Korea, (02) 2077-7711, nohkang@hotmail.com), and at Georgia State, Youjin Kim, Assistant Professor; Department of Applied Linguistics & ESL (34 Peachtree Street, Suite 1200, Atlanta, GA 30303 USA, 404-413-5200, ykim39@gsu.edu).
Appendix B: Anticipated Coursework Map for Student Participants

Section 1: Credit Transferred from Sookmyung (Graduate School of TESOL) to GSU (Applied Linguistics & ESL)

Equivalent courses of the following required GSU courses may be transferred from Sookmyung. Students may also select to take them as electives at Georgia State University.

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Section 2: Coursework Plan and Graduation Requirements for GSU

Required Courses (12 credit hours – each course is 3 credit hours)

AL 8240  General Linguistics  
AL 8320  Sound System of English  
AL 8460  English Grammar for ESL/EFL Teachers  
AL 8900  Practicum or AL 8480- Classroom Practices in Second Language Instruction

Elective Courses (choose 5 courses for 15 credit hours – each course is 3 credit hours)

AL 8470  Sociolinguistics  
AL 8490  Second Language Reading  
AL 8500  Pragmatics and Language Teaching  
AL 8520  Psycholinguistics  
AL 8530  Issues in Second Language Writing 1  
AL 8550  Second Language Evaluation and Assessment  
AL 8570  Second Language Reading-Writing Relations  
AL 8610  Teacher Supervision  
AL 8620  Technology and Language Teaching  
AL 8630  English for Specific Purposes  
AL 8660  Materials Design  
AL 8710  Research Design  
AL 8760  Corpus Linguistics  
AL 8765  Phraseology  
AL 8780  Discourse Analysis
NOTE: Students may take up to one elective in a department outside of the Department of Applied Linguistics & ESL.

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