

# 1st foreigner ambassador activity certificate award ceremony

– Striving to attract excellent foreign students for the college and graduate schools through publicity activities



▲ Commemorative photo of students selected as the first foreigner ambassadors after receiving their activity certificate

GIST (Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology, President Kiseon Kim) Section of Admissions held a ceremony to award the first foreign student ambassador activity certificates on February 25 at College Building A.

The ceremony was held on that day with the presentation of activity certificates, viewing of activity videos, and awards for outstanding activists in the presence of Student Affairs and Admissions Dean Keun-Young Kim, the 10 foreign ambassador students, and officials from the admissions team.

GIST is making efforts in various ways to create an international campus where all members can experience diverse cultures and values.

For the past 5 months, the foreign ambassador students have been actively engaged in various activities to attract excellent foreign students for the college and graduate schools, such as online admission briefing sessions, promotional video production, admissions Q&A, and being admission application mentors. During the award ceremony, four with excellent activities were selected and given special excellence awards.

Student Affairs and Admissions Dean Keun-Young Kim said, "GIST solidified its status as an international campus by selecting excellent foreign students for the undergraduate program based on the experience of successfully operating foreign graduate programs, which accounts for 10% of total students. The foreign ambassador program plans to gradually expand its size every year in consideration of the number of public relations personnel and media."

Meanwhile, the number of applicants for the GIST foreign undergraduate program is increasing every year from 300 in 2020 to 2,227 in 2021 and 2,340 in 2022. The ratio of excellent applicants is also increasing every year. In addition, the number of applicants for graduate school programs for foreign students has risen from an average of 350 in 2021 to about 589 in 2022.

