

GIST social contribution group 'PIUM' holds 5th inauguration ceremony

- Support for underprivileged youth through mentoring of current students, various volunteer activities such as visiting science camps are anticipated... The inauguration ceremony will be held in the conference room on the 2nd floor of the administrative building on Friday, April 11, and full-scale activities will begin for one year.
- Expecting a social contribution model that coexists with the local community through volunteer and sharing practices... Taking the lead in realizing ESG values and strengthening social responsibility and publicness through contributions to the local community based on science and technology



▲ On Friday, April 11, the 5th inauguration ceremony of GIST's social contribution group 'PIUM' was held in the conference room on the 2nd floor of the Administrative Building and a commemorative photo was taken.

The Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology (GIST, President Kichul Lim) announced that it held the 5th inauguration ceremony of the social contribution group 'PIUM' in the conference room on the 2nd floor of the administrative building on Friday, April 11.

'PIUM' means 'blooming flowers' and was officially launched through the first inauguration ceremony on April 16, 2021. GIST students have been mentoring underprivileged youth and have been carrying out various social contribution activities and science mentoring.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by 40 students from the 5th PIUM group, International and Public Affairs Dean Jae Gwan Kim, and members of the International and Public Affairs Team of the

department in charge. They explored ways to cooperate closely with the local community and made resolutions ahead of the full-scale activities of the PIUM group.

The Piumdan is practicing community service, support for socially vulnerable groups, donations, and sharing activities through various programs such as ▲ Mobile Science Camp, ▲ AI Science Camp, ▲ Online Mentoring Program, ▲ Donation of Science Books, and Operation of Environmental Classrooms. In addition, GIST is actively fulfilling its social responsibility through cooperation with sustainable social enterprises.

At the event, a presentation was made on the operation plan and future plans of the Piumdan, and the attendees had a meaningful time discussing various ways in which the university can contribute to society and further strengthen ties with the local community through this activity.

International and Public Affairs Dean Jae Gwan Kim, who oversees the operation of the PIUM, said, “The activities of the PIUM will serve as a solid foundation for the university to realize its social responsibility,” and asked for much interest and active participation so that the university and the local community can grow together.



▲ GIST Social Contribution Group ‘PIUM’ 5th Inauguration Ceremony Director Jae Gwan Kim is giving a congratulatory speech.

The 5th PIUM Group plans to spread the culture of service and sharing through various social contribution activities over the next year. It is expected to enhance the positive image of the university by growing and developing together with the local community, while establishing itself as an exemplary model for practicing social responsibility.

Meanwhile, GIST plans to continue to cooperate with the local community centered around the PIUM Group, create social value, and steadily carry out various activities to realize the university's social responsibility.

