U.S. Congress—Korean National Assembly Youth Exchange



Summer [Insert Year] Pre-Program Survey Korean Delegates

Congratulations on having been chosen to participate in the U.S. Congress-Korean National Assembly Youth Exchange!

The purpose of these questions is to help us understand the diverse characteristics and opinions of our program participants. Please know that your answers will be strictly confidential and will in no way affect your participation in the program. We will use the data for analytical and evaluative purposes only.

Please feel free to give us your honest opinions. This survey is not a test, and <u>there are no right or wrong answers</u>. Thank you for your participation in this survey.

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The information solicited on this survey is requested pursuant to the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (P.L. 103-62) and the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act (22 U.S.C. 2451, et seq.). In order to ensure that the U.S. Department of State's international exchange programs meet statutory program requirements (22 U.S.C. 2460(c)), the Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) regularly monitors the programs, gathers data about program accomplishments, and evaluates selected ones. ECA uses the information collected to inform program design, management, and funding. All personal information that is collected through surveys is considered confidential. All responses are coded to ensure the confidentiality of individual responses. Data collected under this study will not be shared, sold, or used for fundraising purposes. Survey data and findings will be used only in an aggregate form for the express purposes of fulfilling the data needs of the outcome assessment. Responses to this survey are voluntary.

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- 1. What is your primary reason for participating in this exchange program?
- 2. There are many different reasons for participating in the U.S. Congress-Korean National Assembly Youth Exchange program. In the table below, please identify your **three** most important reasons for participating.

	\checkmark
To increase my understanding of American society, people	
and culture	
To increase my understanding of American foreign policy	
To increase my understanding of the United States political	
system and process	
To learn about key issues and problems facing the United	
States	
To acquire leadership skills	
To improve my education	
To improve my English	
To meet my counterparts in the United States	
To learn what Americans think about my country	
To share my culture with others	
Other (Please write in):	

3. Please rate your current knowledge and understanding of the following topics and themes highlighted in your U.S. Congress-Korean National Assembly Youth Exchange program. *Please check one box in each row.*

	No Knowled ge	Less Than Basic	Basic Knowled ge	Beyon d Basic	Advance d Knowled ge
Relationship between citizens and government					
Constituent relations					
Understanding of the rights and responsibilities of citizens					
History of United States- Korean relations					
Economic relations between Korea and the United States					
Foreign policy between Korea and the United States					
Security between Korea and the United States					

	No Knowled ge	Less Than Basic	Basic Knowled ge	Beyon d Basic	Advance d Knowled ge
Federalism in the United					
States					
Compromise, consensus building, and decision-making in public policy making in the United States					
Citizen involvement in the policy process					

4. What do you see yourself as accomplishing or learning during this visit that you could not accomplish or learn at home?

5. Please rate your knowledge or understanding of the following topics. *Please check one box in each row.*

	No Knowled ge	Less Than Basic	Basic Knowled ge	Beyon d Basic	Advance d Knowled ge
United States democracy					
United States economy					
American values and culture					
Religious and ethnic diversity in the United States					
Freedom of speech and press in the United States					
Voluntary community service in the United States					
Daily life in the United States					

6. How do you view the United States Government and the American people? *Please check one box in each row.*

	Strongly Unfavora ble	Generally Unfavora ble	Neither Favorable Nor Unfavorable	Generally Favorabl e	Strongl y Favorab le
United States					
Government					

American people			

7. How do you view the United States Government and its relationship with your country?

	Strongl y Disagr ee	Disagr ee	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Agree	Strongl y Agree
The United States Government is a trustworthy partner for my country					

8. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the statements below? *Please check one box in each row.*

	Strongl y Disagre e	Disagree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Agre e	Stron gly Agree
Voting is important because real					
decisions are made in elections					
Free and fair elections are the cornerstone of democracy					
An independent media is important to the free flow of information					
All citizens in a country should have equal rights and protections under					
the law, regardless of					
circumstances					
The Rule of Law is fundamental to a functioning democracy					
Individuals and organizations have the right to free speech and to voice opposition					

	Strongl y Disagre e	Disagree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Agre e	Stron gly Agree
Democratic principles enhance the workplace. Supervisors should incorporate democratic principles into their management practices					

- 9. What is the first positive thing you think about when you think about the United States?
- 10. What is the first negative thing you think about when you think about the United States?
- 11. Please rate yourself on the following abilities. *Please check one box in each row.*

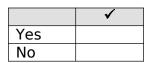
	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellen t
Being self-reliant, being independent, relying on yourself				
Speaking in public				
Listening to other people's suggestions or concerns				
Expressing ideas and feelings				
Being tolerant of others different than you				
Leading a team and motivating others				
Being flexible				
Solving problems				
Planning for the future				
Managing your time				
Managing money				
Discussing your beliefs/values				
Willing to make changes in your community				

12. What is your major field of study? *Please check one box.*

	✓		\checkmark
Agriculture		Library and Information Science	

	✓		\checkmark
Arts and Humanities (history, languages, literature, art, theater)		Media, Mass Communications, Journalism, Communication Technology, Advertising, Graphics	
Athletics		Medicine	
Business Administration, Finance		Military Service	
Computer Science, Information Technology		Public Administration	
Education		Public Health	
Engineering		Religion	
Environment		Science (physics, math, chemistry, biology, astronomy, geography, agronomy)	
Government		Social Sciences (sociology, economics, psychology, political science)	
Humanitarian Affairs, Development Assistance, Conflict Resolution		Social Work	
International Relations		Teaching English, English language instructions	
Labor, Trade Unions		Not sure	
Law, Judicial, Law Enforcement		Other (Please write in):	

13. Have you ever visited the United States before?



14. If you answered "yes" to question 14, how long did you stay on your last trip to the United States? *Please check one box.*

	✓
Less than 6 months	
6-12 months	
More than 12 months	
I have never visited the United	
States before	

15. What year of college/university have you **most recently completed**? *Please check one box.*

	✓		✓
1 st Year		1 st Year graduate	
undergraduate			
2 nd Year		2 nd Year graduate	
undergraduate		_	

3 rd Year undergraduate	3 rd Year graduate
4 th Year undergraduate	4 th Year graduate
5 th Year undergraduate	5 th Year graduate

16. Which best describes the geographic location where you live? *Please check one box.*

	✓
My country's capital city	
Another major city in my country other than	
the capital	
A small city, town or rural location in my	
country	

- 17. Age: _____
- 18. Gender:

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Femal	
e	
Male	

19. Which religion do you most closely identify with? *Please check one box.*

	 ✓ 		✓
Baha'ism		Judaism	
Buddhism		Shintoism	
Christianity (for example: Orthodox, Catholic, Protestant)		Sikhism	
Confucianism		Taoism	
Hinduism		Zoroastrianism	
Islam		None	
Jainism		Other (Please write in)::	

20. What is your father's current education level? *Please check the appropriate level of schooling whether complete or incomplete.*

	 ✓
No formal education	
Primary education (complete or incomplete)	

Secondary education (complete or incomplete)	
Technical	
University—first degree	
University—postgraduate degree (for example:	
Master's or Ph.D.)	
Do not know	

21. What is your mother's current education level? *Please check the appropriate level of schooling whether complete or incomplete.*

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No formal education	
Primary education (complete or incomplete)	
Secondary education (complete or incomplete)	
Technical	
University -first degree	
University – postgraduate degree (for example:	
Master's or Ph.D.)	
Do not know	

22. Thank you for completing this survey! If you have additional comments you would like to make, please do so here.

How long did it take you to complete this survey? _____ Minutes 23.