

# SKAP121: ONLINE COURSE POLICY OF SUNY KOREA FIT

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## I. PREAMBLE

1. The Ministry of Education of the Korean government encourages SUNY Korea to offer traditional face-to-face courses and discourages the offering of excessive numbers of online courses. As a result, SUNY Korea Academic Affairs manages the offering of online courses to meet the mandate. The online courses for students in SUNY Korea FIT programs can be broken into two categories, as follows.
  - A. Category I — These are the online courses which are organized and offered by SUNY Korea FIT. Students can register and take these courses as part of their regular course load at SUNY Korea, and do not pay additional tuition if they are already full-time students.
  - B. Category II — All other online courses (including the courses offered by FIT NYC) which are not offered by SUNY Korea FIT are considered additional courses outside of the regular SUNY Korea FIT offerings. Students who take such online courses are responsible for the relevant tuition and expenses.

## II. POLICY AND PETITION FOR APPROVAL

1. There is no limit to the number of credits for SUNY Korea students to take online courses in Category I, offered by SUNY Korea FIT.
2. There is a limit of six (6) total credits for SUNY Korea FIT students to take online courses in Category II throughout the student's matriculation in the degree program. Credits beyond this limit will not be recognized as applicable to the degree, unless a petition from the student was approved, prior to taking such courses.
3. SUNY Korea FIT students must receive the approval from the Dean of Academic and Student Affairs at SUNY Korea before taking any online course in Category II, regardless of where such online courses are offered (e.g., at FIT NYC or other institutions with English instruction). Students who wish to take online courses must petition the Dean for approval. The petition will include a list of the proposed courses, including credit hours, of all online courses they will take. If the cumulative online credits exceed six (6), the request, typically, will not be approved unless students cannot graduate without taking such online courses or are in an emergent situation related to their progress to degrees.
4. Petition to the Dean of Academic and Student Affairs at SUNY Korea with approval is also required when students take online courses over the credit limits.

- A. Credit limits: Students are permitted to take a maximum of 21.5 credits in a regular semester, or 12 credits in summer or 4 credits in winter. See [link](#) for the Credit Limits for SUNY Korea FIT students.

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April 27, 2020 Online credit limit has been changed from 9 credits to 6 credits. Effective from Fall 2020 semester.