

Torch Trinity Graduate University

**General/
Special (2nd Round)
Admissions
for Spring 2025**



1. Incoming Student Quota and Degree Programs

- 1) **Incoming Student Quota for Master's Programs:** 130 people within the quota
- 2) **Degree Programs**
 - English Programs in all degrees are conducted in English.

Degree Programs	Area/Specialization	Program Language		Duration
		English	Korean	
Master of Divinity (MDiv)	-	●	●	3 yrs (6 sem)
Master of Theological Studies (MTS)	-	●	●	2 yrs (4 sem)
Master of Arts (MA)	Christian Education	●		
	Christian Counseling	●	●	
Master of Education (MEd)	-	●		
Master of Worship and Christian Music (MWCM)			●	
Master of Theology (ThM)	Old Testament, New Testament, Church History, Systematic Theology, Mission & Intercultural Studies, Christian Education	●		
	Evangelical Christian Spirituality, Practical Theology		●	

※ For degree programs/majors with an insufficient number of applicants, interviews may not proceed. (Application fees and documents will be returned.)

2. Admission Types and Qualifications

※ Internationals whose mother and father are foreign nationals and North Korean refugees are selected separately through the International Admissions process, please see the International Admissions Guidelines.

Type	Qualification
General Admissions	<p>A. A mature believer with the assurance of salvation is required The applicant for MDiv must have been baptized (or, in case of infant baptism must be confirmed) at least two years (five years for ThM) ago.</p> <p>B. Must hold a bachelor's degree. A ThM applicant must also hold an MDiv degree from an accredited university or the legal equivalent</p>
Special Admissions	<p>Special Admission applicants must meet at least one of the following criteria in addition to the requirements for General Admission.</p> <p>※ Providing proof of eligibility is mandatory</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Full-time missionary who has served for at least five years (★MWCM applicants must have experience in music-related ministry while

	<p>serving in the mission fields)</p> <p>2. TTGU graduate with a GPA of 3.3/4.0 or higher (Korean program graduate is not eligible for English programs through Special Admission)</p> <p>3. Holder of a doctoral degree (honorary doctorates and non-academic degrees are not eligible)</p> <p>4. A person with a calling to Christian ministry who has worked for five years or more in one of the professional fields recognized by TTGU (medical professional, legal professional, public official of Grade 3 or higher, executive of media company or corporation, university professor, president or vice president of mission organization/Christian institution/NGO, school principal or vice-principal, soldier lieutenant colonel or higher)</p> <p>5. ★Master of Music degree holder</p> <p>6. ★Bachelor of Music degree holder and 5 years or more of music ministry experience (pianist/organist) in a church/mission organization</p>
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3. Procedures and Schedule

1) Entrance Exams and Admission Types

Types of admission	1. Paper Screening	2. Personal Inventory Test	3. Bible Exam	4. English Exam		5. Music Performance	6. Interview
				Eng Prog.	Kor Prog.		
General	●	●	●	●	●	★	●
Special	●	●		○	○	★	●

○ Foreign nationals must submit official language proficiency scores in the respective language.

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1. Paper Screening	– Evaluation of submitted documents
2. Personality Test	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Online test – Respond honestly to questions about various experiences – Required to secure test time and a quiet place (about one hour) – Applicants may take the test in either Korean or English, whichever is more convenient
3. Bible Exam (General Admission)	<p>Required for English/Korean General Admissions (except for ThM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Consists of 50 multiple-choice questions from the Old and New Testaments (test duration: 40 minutes) – The questions come from the “Bible Exam Study Guide,” which can be purchased at the Admissions Office for 25,000 KRW (cash only) <p>The Bible exam will be conducted in English and Korean for the English and Korean programs, respectively.</p>

4. English Exam (General Admission)	<p>The format of the English exam varies depending on the language of the applied program.</p> <p><u>English program:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Must submit an official English score of TOEFL-iBT/IELTS/TEPS (w/ S&W) obtained within two years as of the application deadline. – [Exemptions] Applicants who obtained a bachelor's degree or higher in English from an English-speaking country/institution are exempt from submitting an English score. In this case, 60 points will be automatically applied to the applicant's admission profile for English competency. But applicants with an official English score and a converted point over 60 will receive the higher point. <p><u>Korean program</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Must take the TTGU English test which consists of 20 multiple-choice questions (test duration: 50 minutes) 						
5. Music Performance ★Only for MWCM	<p>Performance of two actual instrumental pieces by major</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="507 869 1390 1108"> <thead> <tr> <th>Major</th><th>Content</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>(Piano)</td><td>1) One movement from a classical sonata 2) One piece of hymn improvisation or variation</td></tr> <tr> <td>(Organ)</td><td>1) One of Bach's works 2) One piece of hymn improvisation or variation</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Applicants must start and end their performances according to the faculty's instructions – The performance may be interrupted in the middle of the performance or resume from the middle of the performance at the judges' discretion 	Major	Content	(Piano)	1) One movement from a classical sonata 2) One piece of hymn improvisation or variation	(Organ)	1) One of Bach's works 2) One piece of hymn improvisation or variation
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6. Interview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Interview is conducted individually – Applicants must present a "one-minute speech" on any topic of their choice (e.g., current events, personal stories, the book that impressed them, the reasons for choosing TTGU, what Jesus Christ means in their lives, how to do missions, what the church should be like, etc.) – Interviews are conducted in the language of the applied program <p>The interviews will be conducted in English and Korean for the English and Korean programs, respectively.</p>						

2) Schedule for Entrance Exam

Exams	Special Admission (2nd Round)	General Admissions	Place/ Note
Personal Inventory Test	Sat, Nov. 30 – Tue, Dec. 3		Online
Bible Exam		Tue, Dec. 17	TTGU Campus
English Exam		Tue, Dec. 17 *Only for Korean Program	TTGU Campus
Music Performance*	Mon, Dec. 16 *Only for MWCM		TTGU Campus

Interview	Tue, Dec. 17	TTGU Campus
Admission Result	Tue, Dec. 24	www.ttgu.ac.kr/apply

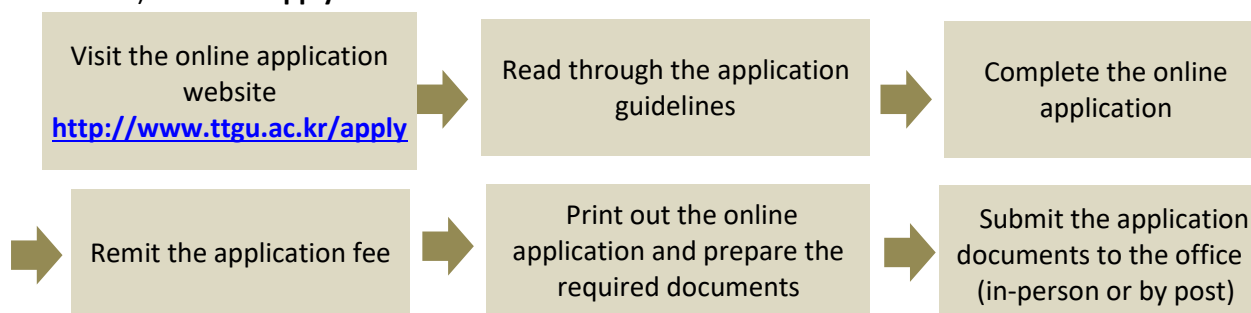
- ✓ Exams and interviews will be conducted on-site. Only applicants residing abroad or in self-quarantine due to COVID-19 will be allowed to participate in online exams and interviews.
- ✓ If an applicant is disqualified after the paper-screening stage, they will be notified, and no interview will be conducted.

4. Application Information

1) Application Procedure

Procedure	Special Admission (2nd Round)	General Admissions (MWCM Special Admission)
Online Application	Mon, Sept. 2 – Wed, Nov. 27 by 5 pm	
Documents Submission	Wed, Nov. 20 – Wed, Nov. 27 by 5 pm	
Payment for Application Fee	Wed, Nov. 27 by 5 pm	

2) How to Apply



Application Submission (by post /in person)

► **Address:** Torch Trinity Admissions Office

70 Baumoe-ro 31-gil, Seocho-gu, Seoul, 06752, Korea

► **Application Fee Payment:** Please remit the fee in the applicant's name.

- **Master Program: 90,000 KRW** (20,000 KRW for Personal Inventory Test included)
- **MWCM: 110,000 KRW** (20,000 KRW for Personal Inventory Test included)
- **Account Information:** Woori Bank /1005-602-443681/Torch Trinity Graduate University

Arrivals after the application deadline cannot be accepted.

3) Notice for Applicants

- ① The English name and date of birth must be identical to those on the passport.
- ② Applicants must provide a valid email address.

- ③ Any incomplete application will not be processed. Application or admissions will be automatically canceled if the applicant's submitted documents are found to be forged, falsified, or altered.
- ④ If an applicant decides to withdraw the application before the deadline, the application fee will be refunded after the deduction of the remittance fee. However, after the deadline, the submitted application documents and application fee will not be returned.
- ⑤ If an applicant with a disability requires any assistance or support during the admissions process, he or she must inform the office in advance with a copy of his or her disability registration card.
- ⑥ Applicants **must bring both their identification card and the verification slip** on the day of entrance exams and interview.
- ⑦ If an applicant misses any of the exams or cheats during the exams, he or she will be automatically disqualified.
- ⑧ If an applicant is deemed to be inadequate to become a pastor/Christian minister after the interview, the applicant may be disqualified.

5. Required Documents

No.	Requirement	Special Admission	General Admission	
			English Prog.	Korean Prog.
1.	Application	●	●	●
2.	Personal Statement	●	●	●
3.	Graduate Certificate	●	●	●
4.	Official Transcript	●	●	●
5.	Pastoral Reference letter	●	●	●
6.	Academic/General Reference letter	●	●	●
7.	Certificate of Baptism	●	●	●
8.	Family Relation Certificate	●	●	●
9.	Certificate of Marital Status	●	●	●
10.	Official English Score		●	
11.	Documents for proof of eligibility for Special Admission Qualification	★		
12.	Documents for Int'l applicants	★	★	★

● mandatory ★ only for the required

- ✓ Applicants to the English program must submit all documents in English.
- ✓ Documents issued in foreign languages other than Korean/English (e.g., Chinese) must be translated into Korean or English, notarized, and submitted.

A. **Printed copy of the online application:** after submitting the online application at www.tgu.ac.kr/apply, print out one copy to submit to the Admissions Office along with other required documents.

B. Personal Statement [school form]

C. Graduate certificates of undergraduate degree issued within 3 months of the application deadline

- For graduates from Korean universities, the degree registration number must be provided.
- ThM applicants must also submit an MDiv graduation certificate.
- Graduates of overseas universities must submit the degree certificate referred to in <Appendix 1: Accreditation Certification Approval of Overseas University>.

D. Official transcripts of undergraduate degree issued within 3 months of the application deadline

- ThM applicants must also submit an MDiv official transcript.
- For transfer students, please submit transcripts from all previous colleges/universities attended.

E. One pastoral reference letter [school form]: by the senior pastor or applicant's spiritual mentor

F. One academic or general reference letter [school form]: ThM applicants must submit an academic reference.

- Referees should complete the reference letter form and directly e-mail it to admissions@ttgu.ac.kr or mail it in a sealed and signed envelope.
- **[IMPORTANT] Applicant's family or relatives are ineligible to write a reference letter.**
- If the referee for an English program applicant is unable to write a letter in English, it should be translated by a translator and sent together with the original letter via email or mailed in a sealed and signed envelope.
- References must be delivered by the application deadline.

G. Certificate of Baptism (a relevant certificate or TTGU format)

H. Family Relation Certificate (detailed format, last 7 digits can be hidden, issued within 1 month of the application deadline)

I. Certificate of Marital Status (detailed format, issued within 1 month of the application deadline)

The Certificate of Marital Status must be issued with all details included **(even for never-married individuals required)**. Failure to include all details will result in disqualification.

J. <General Admission applicants for the English program only> An official English test score obtained within two years of the application deadline.

- The official English score should be one of the TOEFL-iBT/IELTS/TEPS (w/ S&W).
- Korean applicants with a bachelor's or higher degree from an English-speaking country or institution are exempt from submitting an English score.

K. <Special Admission applicants only> Submit the corresponding credentials for the applicant.

- Full-time missionary: missionary certificate containing sending organization, mission field, ministry language, and ministry duration (minimum of five years)
- TTGU graduate or doctoral degree holder: official transcript and graduate certificate
- Professional recognized by TTGU: certificate of employment (minimum of five years)
- Master of Music degree holder: official transcript and graduate certificate
- Bachelor of Music degree holder and music ministry experience: certificate of employment or ministry certificate (minimum of five years)

L. <International applicants only>

a. A Copy of Passport or Alien Registration Card

b. Financial Statement (school form) and Bank Statement (for student-visa applicants only)

Please submit proof of a balance of at least 20,000,000 KRW issued within the last three months. For applicants sponsored by a church, school, or scholarship foundation, please submit proof of the sponsor's representative balance of at least 20,000,000 KRW issued within the last three months.

c. Official language proficiency scores

English program applicant: An official English test with a minimum score of TOEFL-iBT 71/IELTS 5.5/TEPS 326 (w/ S&W) obtained within two years of the application deadline.

- International applicants from countries where English is the official language will be exempt from the English score if they have obtained a bachelor's degree or higher in English. English-speaking countries are determined by the "Countries and Regions" of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea (www.mofa.go.kr).

Korean program applicant: TOPIK level 4 obtained within two years of the application deadline.

- Overseas Koreans, who obtained a bachelor's degree in Korean from a university in Korea, will be exempt from the TOPIK score if they submit a graduate certificate, an official transcript, and a certificate of domestic residence report.

5. New Student Registration

Procedure	Schedule	
Tuition Payment	Mon, Jan. 6 – Thu, Jan. 9, 2025	Individual Virtual Account
New Student Orientation	Tue, Jan. 21, 2025	TTGU Campus (Mandatory)
First day of Spring 2025	Tue, Mar. 4, 2025	-

- 1) New students are not allowed to stop out in the first semester, except for illness, military duty, or maternity.
- 2) Prospective graduates must submit their final graduate certificate and official transcript before matriculation.

6. Tuition Information

Degree Program	Entrance Fee (KRW))	Tuition (KRW)	In total (KRW)
MDiv	800,000	3,530,000	4,330,000
MTS	800,000	3,530,000	4,330,000
MWCM	800,000	4,333,000	5,133,000
MA (Christian Counseling / Christian Education)	830,000	3,693,000	4,523,000
MEd	830,000	3,693,000	4,523,000
ThM	830,000	3,693,000	4,523,000

- 1) The above amount is for the 2024 academic year and can be changed for the 2025 academic year.
- 2) The tuition fee listed above is per semester, and the entrance fee is only charged for the first semester.
- 3) In the master's program of Christian Counseling, an additional counseling practicum fee is charged during the semester in which the counseling practicum is conducted.

7. Scholarship

Various scholarships are available after admission. (See the school website for eligibility and conditions of each scholarship.)

Contact Information

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<Appendix 1: Accreditation Certification Approval of Overseas University>

If an applicant has obtained a degree from an overseas university, an Apostille certificate or consular confirmation must be issued and submitted to prove that the graduate certificate is an official document of the country where the degree was obtained.

For documents not written in Korean or English, a notarized translation in Korean or English must be attached. If you are applying through an agency in Korea, it may take up to two months. We recommend that you apply well in advance of the admission deadline to avoid delays.

1. Graduates from a university in Apostille Convention Country (www.hcch.net/en/home)

- Submit the graduate certificate (or transcript) with an Apostille.

- Apostille issuance procedure:

Issuance of graduate certificate (or transcript) in the relevant country → (Notarized by the
notarized office in case of private documents) → Visit Apostille issuing organization →
Apply for Apostille issuance → Review by Apostille issuing agency → Issuance of Apostille

- See www.hcch.net/index_en.php?act=conventions.authorities&cid=41.

2. Graduates from a university in other countries

- Submit the graduate certificate confirmed by the Consular of the Korean Embassy in the country where the certificate is issued or the foreign embassy in Korea.

3. Graduates from a university in China

- Submit the 'Degree Certificate' issued by CHSI (www.chsi.com.cn/en)
- If you want to get the documents in Korea, contact the Confucius Institute in Seoul.
Website: <https://renew.kongzi.co.kr> Chinese academic credentials certification
Phone: 82-2-554-2688, Email: cis88@cis.or.kr

<Appendix 2: Application fee payment guide>

1. SWIFT CODE for international transfer

Bank Name	WOORIBANK
Bank Address	WOORIBANK, 1585, SANGAM-DONG, MAPO-GU, SEOUL, KOREA
Branch Name	YANGJAENAM BR.
Branch Address	60 YANGJAE-DONG, SEOCHO-GU, SEOUL 06752, KOREA
Account Number	1005-602-443681
Account Holder	Torch Trinity Graduate University
SWIFT CODE	HVBKRXSEXXX

2. PayPal payment information

- If you intend to pay your application fee via PayPal, please contact us at admissions@ttgu.ac.kr with your name, the program you are applying for, and your email address for further guidance.