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**GIST signs agreement with Gwangju National University of Education to train AI specialists**

□ Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology (GIST, President Kiseon Kim) the Gwangju National University of Education (President Do-sung Choi) signed an agreement to exchange educational information and train specialists in artificial intelligence.

□ The agreement establishes a close system o cooperation between the two institutions that are in charge of fostering talents in science, technology, and education. In particular, the agreement was signed to contribute to the local community by producing competitive specialists in the AI field.

∘ Accordingly, GIST and the Gwangju National University of Education plan to actively cooperate in AI research and education through student exchanges, credit recognition, joint research, and the co-hosting of academic conferences.

∘ In particular, juniors and seniors at the Gwangju National University of Education are able to take AI graduate courses at GIST. If the students enter GIST graduate school in the future, those courses will be recognized and reflected in the students' transcripts.

□ In addition, there will be △ there will be faculty interactions with joint business cooperation and △ cooperation in exchanging academic materials, publications, and information.

□ GIST was selected by the government as an AI graduate school in September of last year and is set to open in March of this year.GIST AI Graduate School has laid the foundation for nurturing innovative AI specialists with government funding of up to 19 billion KRW over the next 10 years. To develop the world's most advanced AI convergence specialists, GIST plans to operate a program that is centered on integrating master's and doctorate degrees.

∘ The goal of the GIST AI Graduate School is to understand the core technologies of artificial intelligence and to work with various specialists to link research and development results with start-ups. Therefore, GIST is making an all-out effort to create a foundation to become a mecca for the AI industry.

□ GIST President Kiseon Kim said, "GIST is doing its best to secure world-class AI core technologies and train AI convergence experts that are needed in this area. With this agreement, we will strengthen the competitiveness of education in the region and gradually expand AI education for the general public."

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[Photo] (from left) GIST President Kiseon Kim and Gwangju National

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