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GIST holds 2018 Commencement Ceremony

- GIST (President Seung Hyeon Moon) held the 2018 Commencement Ceremony on February 15, 2019, at Oryong Hall with about 700 people in attendance, including Minister of Science and ICT Young-min Yu, National Assembly Member Kyung-hwan Choi, and Chair of the GIST Board Soo-kyung Lim.
 - A total of 305 students, including 48 doctoral students, 154 masters students, and 103 undergraduates, were awarded this degree.
- Minister of Science and ICT Young-min Yu said, "Just as GIST has experienced growth over the past 25 years and is ready to take another big leap for the next 25 years, graduates should also believe in the knowledge and capabilities they have gained at GIST and become new milestones in the world beyond Korea."
- The average number of papers published in SCI journals during the time of their doctoral studies was about six per student.
 - For those six SCI papers published per student, the average number of first-author papers in the doctoral program was 2.58 and the number of co-authors was 3.17.

- Dr. Gyuseok Lee of the School of Life Sciences (under Professor Jang-Soo Chun) was awarded the Presidential Special Prize published eight SCI papers, including two as first-author and six as co-author, including a paper in Nature (impact factor of 41.577).
 - As a student, Gyuseok Lee participated as a first co-author in the world's first paper to prove that joint cartilage cholesterol causes degenerative arthritis, which was entitled "The CH25H-CYP7B1-ROR α axis of cholesterol metabolism regulates osteoarthritis."
 - Nine Excellent Research Awards were given to ▲ Dr. Hee-joo Cho of the School of Earth Sciences and Environmental Engineering (under Kihong Park) ▲ Dr. Muhammad Tayyab Nouman of the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (under Professor Jae-Hyung Jang) ▲ Dr. Jae-sun Song of the School of Materials Science and Engineering (under Professor Sanghan Lee) ▲ Dr. Jang-hee Choi of the School of Mechanical Engineering (under Professor Sung Ho Jeong) ▲ Dr. Young-gun Yoon of the School of Earth Sciences and Environmental Engineering (under Professor Yunho Lee) ▲ Dr. Gyuseok Lee of the School of Life Sciences (under Professor Jang-Soo Chun) ▲ Dr. Joon-gon Son of the School of Physics and Chemistry (under Professor Do-Kyeong Ko) ▲ Dr. Thien Nguyen Thi of the Department of Biomedical Science and Engineering (under Professor Jae Gwan Kim and ▲ Dr. Eun-jung Cho of the Department of Chemistry (under Professor Min-gon Kim).
 - The GIST College Award for Best Graduates was given to ▲ Chung-sung Park (chemistry major) and Ji-yoo Park (life sciences major) for graduating *summa cum laude* ▲ magna cum laude Ho-seung Jang (physics major), Soo-jung Kim, Soo-hyun Park, Min-jung Kim (life sciences majors), Hyo-jung Kim (EECS major), Jae-sung Kim (mechanical engineering major), and Jae-yong Jung (new materials engineering major) for graduating *magna cum laude* ▲ Suk-kyung

Yoon (physics major) and 18 other students for graduating *cum laude*.

- During the commencement ceremony, GIST President Seung Hyeon Moon said, "I am hopeful that our graduates will become researchers who actively respond to social trends and rapidly changing environments with the confidence and skills that they gained from GIST. I hope they will become warm-hearted scientists who will not forget their duties and responsibilities to society."
- GIST has been ranked third in the world for the last 4 years for the number of citations per faculty, which shows the academic and research achievements of the institution's scientific capabilities. GIST has also received high ratings for its entrepreneurship support and entrepreneurial education system.
- GIST faithfully carries out its goal of establishing innovative growth in Gwangju and South Jeolla Province for the 4th Industrial Revolution by nurturing human resources able to communicate and grow through a world-class research and educational infrastructure that is focused on interdisciplinary research and augmented with an artificial intelligence-based industrial complex.



President Seung Hyeon Moon confers a Ph.D. degree



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