Call for Papers

By *S/N Korean Humanities*

(The international journal published in English language)

*S/N Korean Humanities* now welcomes submissions of original articles and book reviews that are going to be contained in its first year issues (March and September 2015). The journal’s main focus lies on studies in humanities relating to the division of Korea and its re-unification, but it does consider fully submissions belonging to Korean studies broadly interpreted because it also aims at establishing unified Korean studies of *Hangukhak* and *Chosŏnhak*.

Deadline: October 31, 2014

Method of Submission: Email electronic copy to Won Choi, Managing Editor ([wonchoi68@gmail.com](mailto:wonchoi68@gmail.com)).

(Please read for submission details “Guideline for Authors” attached at the end of this letter of announcement.)

**About the Journal**

*S/N Korean Humanities* is a biannually published academic journal that the Institute of the Humanities for Unification in Konkuk University (IHU) in South Korea is in the process of creating. It is a unique journal (indeed, the first in its kind) discussing the division of Korea and its reunification from the perspective of humanities (all other existing journals in this area of research exclusively belong to social science, not humanities).

Many internationally renowned scholars in Korean studies are participating in this exciting project as editorial board members:

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*S/N Korean Humanities*’ goals are as follow:

1) Facilitating New Reflections on the Overcoming of the Division of Korea from the Perspective of Humanities

The dissolution of the Cold War and the rapid advance of the so-called globalization today are reducing the meanings of both nation states and ideological blocs (U.S. and Soviet blocs). In order to form a unification discourse appropriate for such a turn of the world order, a new approach from the perspective of humanities is required, which must be distinct from old paradigms that, taking nation state as an unalterable framework, concentrate only on the aspect of politico-economical system.

The problem of unification has such a complex and comprehensible character that a study confined to a specific academic discipline cannot help but face a limit in its effort to understand the true depth of the problem and discover a solution. A new paradigm for unification, therefore, must be found through an interdisciplinary study organically combining core disciplines of humanities such as philosophy, literature and history.

2) Establishing Complete or Unified Korean Studies

Korean literature and history studies so far done under the condition of the division of Korea largely remain incomplete insofar as they are confined to South Korea (the same thing, of course, goes for 'Chosŏn studies' of North Korea). Furthermore, it cannot be said that the current Korean studies are putting sufficient efforts into studying the cultural modifications made by Korean diaspora residing in various areas of the world.

This journal tries to facilitate the mutual recognition and communication of historical differences among South and North Korea and Korean diaspora, through which their eventual and peaceful unification may be achieved. In other words, it aims at establishing complete Korean studies, namely unified Korean studies, which utilize all the resources of humanities in both South and North Korea and Korean diaspora.

3) Seeking out Humanities' New Vision for the Unification of Korea

Today's global cultural topography has given rise to a situation of the emergence of diverse identities, the coexistence of modernity and postmodernity, the spreading of universal human values all over the world (such as human rights and ecological rights), etc. This situation necessitates us to search for humanities' new vision for unification that goes beyond the framework of nation state. The unification discourse must not stop at justifying the reunification of Korea at the level of its national history, but proceed to ask what kind of society South and North Korea should become through their reunification, what kind of country peoples would enthusiastically agree to live in together. In this sense, this journal, although it begins with the particular situation of Korea largely defined by its division, nevertheless seeks out universal values of peace, ecology and human rights and reflects upon the problem of overcoming the modernity bound to the national identity.

This journal’s focus, as you can see, is on the issue of the unification of Korea, but the scope of its interests is certainly not limited to it. As it aims at establishing unified Korean studies, it wants to discuss all kinds of problems arising in both South and North Korea and Korean diaspora. All the papers (articles and reviews) submitted to the journal will be considered fully as long as they belong to the field of Korean studies.

Guideline for Authors

The guideline for authors provided here is only a tentative one and therefore can be changed in the future.

**Ethics of Submission**

Submission to *S/N Korean Humanities* implies that the work has not been published previously, that it is not under consideration for publication elsewhere, and that its publication is approved by all authors involved.

**Themes covered in the Journal include:**

• Philosophical studies of systems of thoughts and ideologies of South and North Korea

• Theoretical and/or empirical studies of national identity (national commonalities and differences) of South and North Korea and Korean diasporas

• Historical studies of life and culture of South and North Korea and Korean diasporas

• Studies of South and North Korea’s literary works, films and mass media (TV shows, propagandas, etc.)

• Studies of Koreans’ historical traumas and their healing

**Language**

All original articles and book reviews must be written in English (American or British usage is accepted, but not a mixture of these).

**Paper Length**

Original articles should not exceed 10,000 words or their equivalent (including notes, tables, maps, diagrams and photographs). Book reviews should be in the region of 3,000 to 4,000 words.

**Contact details for submission**

Since the journal homepage of *S/N Korean Humanities* is still under construction, an online submission system is not yet available. Authors of both original articles and book reviews should email electronic copy directly to the managing editor: Won Choi ([wonchoi68@gmail.com](mailto:wonchoi68@gmail.com)).

**Evaluation**

Papers submitted to the *S/N Korean Humanities* will normally be evaluated by three anonymous referees. Referees are asked to pay particular attention to the originality of the paper, the skill with which the author(s) present and analyze their evidence, and the importance of their research to wider theoretical debate. To be accepted, therefore, a paper must make an original and significant contribution to the general field of the humanities for unification and Korean studies and be properly grounded in the relevant literature.

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