

# World Class Taekwondo

## 2017 Sung Kyun Kwan University Scholarship Recipients



### Jeon Ye Won

She was brought up by a single mom with two younger brothers. As a child she loved to study donated workbooks which prepared her to attend Sung Kyun Kwan University on a state scholarship. Living expenses are not covered by her scholarship so she works part-time at McDonalds.

Her Taekwondo training started as a young girl in a local community service center. At the university she joined the Taekwondo club. Along with all her classes, she has TKD workouts for two hours twice a week-a favorite campus activity. The club participates in the national Taekwondo Club Union competition every year.

Jeon Ye Won is now vice president of her Taekwondo club. She wanted this position to learn about administration, people management, and of course, social life. Her goals after graduation are to help her country and her community, in gratitude for the opportunities and assistance she has received.



### Woo-Yeon Kim

She has been practicing Taekwondo since the age of eight. Her favorite part is poomsae (forms). As a member of the Sun Kyun Kwon Taekwondo Club, she is in charge of accounting. Her goal is to lead the club before graduation.

Her childhood was troubled and her family had little money. Taekwondo has helped her learn to be independent, self-supporting, and strong. She must work part-time and regrets the time away from her study but values the practical work experience.

This year she is applying for ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps). Her other studies involve computer science, Spanish, and English. After graduation she would like to join the NIS (National Intelligence Service) to help her country and the countless people that have helped and encourage her.



### Daeho Choi

In 2011 he started in a Dojang (Taekwondo Gym) in Korea to be healthier. It was difficult in the beginning because his legs were weak and he had trouble with balance, but he fell in love with Taekwondo. At Sung Kyun Kwan University he joined the Taekwondo Club and continues to enjoy practicing with other students. He was a club leader for 6 months last year.

His father works construction as a laborer painting buildings. The work is irregular, he cannot work when it rains. His father's sacrifices to fund his education have been valuable. The scholarship money is appreciated. It will help him spend more time on his studies. He has a double major, in education and Chinese. He wants to become a teacher after graduation.

Korea has done much to open educational opportunities for the rich and poor of their country, but it is still difficult for those with less economic stability to send their children to college. His future dream is to work toward improving educational access for all.