

Duksung Women's University

Founder: Ms. Cha Mirisa

1880 - 1955, a feminist and educator

In Feb. of 1934, she established a foundation named Geunhwa School, inaugurated as a chief director. And from the thought that a woman has to have some occupation to lead her life independently, she expanded and developed further "Geunhwa Woman's School" into "Geunhwa Woman's Vocational School." After this, due to the insistence of the Japanese imperialists that Geunhwa represents Korea's national flower of an althea, the name of the school had to be changed into "Duksung School." As the nation restored its independency in 1945, she moved forward with the plan to establish a higher educational institution for woman she had in mind for a long period of time, eventually establishing "Duksung Woman's Junior college" (presently "Duksung Woman's University). As mentioned above, she devoted herself to the education of and the right extension of the women who were alienated socially and economically. Ms. Cha Mirisa was conferred posthumous honors as a Meritorious Person for National Independence (the Order of Merit for National Foundation, National Medal) in 2002, the year of 57th anniversary of the restoration of national independency.

Educational Philosophy

The social responsibilities assigned to a university will remain unchanged ever although the way and the subjects of education are changing corresponding to the changes in the conditions surrounding the university. That is to say, its responsibility is to produce competent individuals who afford to enjoy their lives independently and at the same time contribute to the society they belong by building up the sound and wholesome personality, higher standards of intellectual ability and professional knowledge. Duksung University pursues to foster the creative intellectuals with noble minds as the fundamental and eventual educational philosophy. A creative intellectual with noble minds refers to a whole human-being, possessing the capability of creative thinking and a moral sense, as well as qualified as a global citizen.



