DGIST World Class University Rowing Festival
South Korea

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MIT Rowing Club
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MIT Rowing Club
MIT Rowing Club (MITRC)

Notable increase in membership over past five years

2010: 30 members per season
2015: 95 members per season (~75% students)

1. **Welcomes ALL MIT-affiliates**: learn-to-row, recreational, and competitive

2. **Mental Health**: MITRC provides an essential antidote to the stress that is an all-too-common part of the MIT experience.

3. **Learning**: Teamwork, leadership, discipline, dedication, accountability, and friendship across the MIT community.

4. **Accessibility**: MITRC strives to eliminate the economic barriers often associated with the sport of rowing.
Regattas

SPRING 2015
- Wharton Sprints, Philadelphia PA
- Mayors Cup, Providence RI
- MITRC vs HBS, Cambridge MA

SUMMER 2015
- USRowing Northeast Master’s Regatta, Syracuse NY
- Lawrence Celebration Regatta, Lawrence MA
- Cromwell Cup, Cambridge MA
- Sweeps & Sculls Regatta, Providence RI

FALL 2015
- CRI Fall Regatta Classic*, Boston MA
- Head of the Kevin, Cambridge MA
- Textile River Regatta*, Lowell MA
- 51st Head of the Charles Regatta, Boston/Cambridge MA
- Headless Halloween Regatta*, Boston MA
Letter of Invitation

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INVITATION to the 1st DGIST World-class University Rowing Festival

Dear Massachusetts Institute of Technology Rowing Club,

On behalf of the President of Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science and Technology (DGIST), Daegu, South Korea, it is with a great pleasure for us to invite your rowing team to the 1st DGIST World-class University Rowing Festival, which is scheduled to be held from Sunday, August 23 through Saturday, August 29, 2015. Expenses for 10 participants from each university including round-trip airfare, accommodation, meals, and etc. will be fully covered by DGIST.

● All expenses covered by DGIST (air fare, meals, accommodation)

● August 23-29th 2015
List of Invited Universities

1. University of California, Berkeley, United States
2. University of Cambridge, United Kingdom
3. Keio University, Japan
4. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, United States
5. University of Melbourne, Australia
6. Stanford University, United States
7. University of Sydney, Australia
8. University of Toronto, Canada
9. Waseda University, Japan
10. Yale University, United States
Travel

After a full-day of traveling, we finally arrived in Seoul, South Korea!
DGIST

Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science and Technology
Established in 2004 as a research institute
Graduate programs: 2011, 250 students
Undergraduate programs: 2014, 160 students
Campus map

Nakdong River
The construction of degree-program buildings will be completed by Feb., 2014.
DGIST Boat Club

- Founded in 2013
- Initially graduate students. Today mostly undergraduate students
- Only formal sports club at DGIST (basketball, soccer, etc are the equivalent of IM sports)
- Established by Professor Su-II In (also the regatta host) who rowed at Darwin College, Cambridge and convinced DGIST president that having a rowing team would help elevate DGIST’s “brand.”
- This year’s World-Class University Rowing Festival is the first regatta DGIST Boat Club has organized, with the goal to make it an annual event “for the next thousand years.”
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GO TECH!!!!!!
Indoor events

- Individual 500m
- Men’s and Women’s Team 2k
Nakdong River - Outdoor Rowing Events

- Men’s and Women’s 4+ 1k
- United Team Competition
  - Mixed crews from different clubs
  - 8+ 14k race!!! (double the distance of the Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race)
Rowing Venue
National news!
Closing ceremonies

- Club Blazers!!!!
- Formal dinner
- Gift exchange with Korean hosts
- Uniform exchange
Sightseeing around Daegu
Food!!!
Long-term impacts on MITRC

Increasing **Exposure**: As ambassadors of MIT, MITRC represented the Institute’s values of diversity, inclusion, meritocratic achievement, teamwork, discipline, fair play, and good humor.

Fostering **Cooperation**: Friendships formed over the week in Korea have led to collaborative ideas.

Reflecting our **International Identity**: With over 20 nationalities represented in the club, cross-cultural experiences such as this one are a natural outgrowth of an already international community.

Raising our **Global Outlook**: Some of our international members with ties to other boat clubs/regattas overseas have raised the idea of participating in other international regattas (e.g. Italy, Holland).