"Secret State of North Korea: Explore Life Under Kim Jong-Un"

Dinner Reception and Film-Screening with North Korean Defector Students

Program Schedule

6:00 - 7:00 PM - Dinner Reception
7:00 - 9:00 PM - Film-Screening and Q & A
  Introduction: Jisoo M. Kim
  Moderator: Gregg A. Brazinsky

*Please note that this event is closed to media/off the record*

This event is part of the GWIKS Summer Study Abroad Program. In the summer of 2017, we had 15 GW students visit Hana Foundation in South Korea to meet with North Korean defector students and discuss about the issue of unification. As an exchange program, we have 15 North Korean defector students visiting our campus to learn about the university life in the U.S.

"Secret State of North Korea" Film Synopsis:

Just a few years into the job and armed with nuclear weapons, North Korea's Kim Jong-un is the world's youngest dictator, ruling one of the world's most isolated countries. Like his father and grandfather, he wants to maintain tight control over what North Koreans see of the world - and what the world sees of North Korea. But with unique access, FRONTLINE goes inside the secret state to explore life under its new ruler and investigate the enigmatic "Morning Star King" as he tries to hold onto power. Using new footage smuggled from inside and never-before-told stories from recent defectors living in South Korea, the film offers a rare glimpse at how some North Koreans are defying authority in a country where just being caught with illegal DVDs could mean immediate imprisonment.

Connect with GWIKS for more events like this
Website: gwiks.elliott.gwu.edu | Twitter: @GW_IKS | Facebook: @gwiks2016 | E-mail: gwiks@gwu.edu