2017

STUDY ABROAD AT KOREA UNIVERSITY
A Message from the President

Dear International Students,

There has never been a better time than the present to be an international student, indeed with so many inspiring and challenging academic programs at universities all over the world to choose from, we know there are many options available to you. For this reason we are very pleased you are considering studying in Korea and at Korea University (KU).

Currently, KU is recognized as the top university in the nation in the area of international education. We have made a conscious effort to provide our students with a top-quality education that exposes them to different ideas and cultures from around the world. This plan also includes an important component of sharing the best of Korean culture with international students who come and study with us here in Seoul.

Over the past eight years we have seen a dramatic increase in both the number of courses offered in English (currently about 40%) and in the number of international students who have selected Korea University as their destination of choice for a study abroad experience. Last semester alone (Fall 2016) we welcomed almost 9,500 students to our campus from all parts of the globe. This is certainly a strong testament to the quality of the academic experience offered at KU and to the warm hospitality and inviting environment we have created on campus.

We realize that studying in a foreign country presents its own challenges and difficulties. I myself was once an international student in the US in the 1980s so I know firsthand how demanding -- but ultimately rewarding -- the experience can be. For this reason you will find the information in this booklet very helpful and once you arrive on campus, the staff at Korea University Global Services Center will be an invaluable resource to assist you in all your needs. Also, we encourage you to partner-up with a KUBA (Korea University Buddy Assistant) who will be very glad to ensure your adjustment to life in Korea, and at KU, is easy and enjoyable.

As you review this booklet and consider the course and program offerings, remember that we will do our best to ensure your time with us is academically stimulating and personally rewarding. Also, we look forward to receiving your own contributions to the KU community so that our program continues to grow and improve.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Jaeho Yeom
President
Korea University

Korea University, founded in 1905, is widely acknowledged as one of Korea’s oldest, largest and top-ranked universities. Its reputation for quality is based on excellence in teaching, research and service to Korean society. Eminent faculty, outstanding students and internationally recognized research programs all contribute to Korea University’s academic fame. As a major comprehensive university, KU offers a rich variety of courses in liberal arts and sciences as well as in all professional fields, including law, medicine and business administration.

The KU campus covers over 182 acres and is home to more than 37,000 students from all over the nation and the world. With its stately stone architecture sprawling lawns, seasonal trees and natural flora, KU is known to have one of the most beautiful campuses in Korea. The students of KU represent Korea’s dream as they are among the nation’s brightest and most ambitious. KU is nationally recognized for its commitment to teaching and academic excellence. The university’s academic breadth is extensive with 23 colleges and divisions, and 23 graduate schools, and it has over 1,700 full-time faculty members with over 95% of them holding Ph.D. or equivalent qualification in their fields. KU particularly strong Humanities and Asian Studies Departments along with the Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS). KU is also renowned for its professional schools of Law, Medicine and Business Administration.

In research, KU is an internationally recognized leader with over 130 research centers, including the Asiatic Research Centre and the Korean Cultural Research Centre. Furthermore, Korea University Business School (KUBS) is the first business school in the country to have acquired both European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) accreditation and the accreditation granted by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSBS). Unlike many universities in Korea, KU prides itself not only in being a progressive and globally conscious institution but one that plays a role in preserving and developing Korea’s unique culture.
Why Korea University?

Exciting Social Life
Dynamic social life with hundreds of student societies and activities available campus-wide

Dynamic Seoul
Beautifully resourced and conveniently located main campus in the heart of metropolitan Seoul

Inbound Global Program
KU’s International Summer Campus attracting over 1,800 students (2016) by providing over 120 courses

1,800

Multicultural Students
Multicultural student population with almost 9,500 international students annually enrolled

9,500
Courses in English
About 40% of courses are delivered in the English language
40%

Ranked Best in Asia
One of the few private universities in Asia to be ranked among the top 100 universities by The QS World University Rankings 2016
TOP 98

Dual International Accreditation
Korea University Business School is the first business school in the country to have acquired both European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) accreditation, and the accreditation granted by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)

Scholarships
Over USD330,000 available in scholarships for international students each year
USD330,000
Why Korea University?

Prominent Academics
Over 1,700 full-time faculty professors with over 95% of them holding a Ph.D. or equivalent qualifications in their fields

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Professional Schools
KU has particularly strong humanities and Asian studies departments along with the Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS). KU is also renowned for its professional schools of law, medicine and business administration

Research Centers
Internationally recognized leader with over 130 research centers, including the Asiatic Research Centre and the Korean Cultural Research Center

Alumni
Over 20% of Korean politicians and CEOs are alumni of Korea University
Exchange & Study Abroad at Korea University

KU has established extensive links with many universities internationally through its Student Exchange Program (SEP), which was developed as part of its internationalization process. This program now involves over one thousand students to and from countries in Asia-Pacific, Europe, North and South America.

The benefits of KU exchange students vary according to the terms and conditions of the exchange agreement KU has concluded with each institution. Based on the principle of reciprocal exchange of benefits, our standard exchange agreements regulate student tuition fee waivers at host universities; however, students are responsible for room and board. Exchange students are also responsible for their own travel, medical insurance and other personal expenses.

International students whose home institutions do not have an exchange agreement with KU nor have links with ISEP can also apply to study at KU through the Visiting Student Program (VSP).

Period of Study
International students have a choice of three study periods:
- Full academic year: March - December
- Spring semester: March - June
- Fall semester: September - December

Credit Transfer
Academic credits earned through this program can be transferred under the exchange regulations and used to satisfy degree requirements at home institutions. Visiting students must check with their home institution regarding the credit acceptability of chosen courses. For each student who has completed his/her courses successfully, a certified transcript of academic performance will be sent to the student’s home institution upon request.

Assessment
Each student’s academic performance is graded according to the following criteria: exams, assignment, attendance, and class participation. Students usually take regular examinations twice per semester (mid-term and final). They may also be given additional assignments by their professors. A minimum 70% of attendance is required in order for a student to earn a passing grade. A student’s performance is normally graded on a 100 point scale.

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Course Offerings
KU offers many courses in English in various disciplines at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and the number is increasing every year. Please note that it is not guaranteed that the same list of courses is offered to students every year but normally there are only minor changes. It is important that you ensure that your intended courses will be offered in your registered semester.

http://sugang.korea.ac.kr > English

Contact Us
For more information, please visit our website or contact our study abroad office.

Korea University
Supex Hall, LG-POSCO Building
Other Study Programs

Outside the Student Exchange Program (SEP) and Visiting Student Program (VSP), there are two other programs that students can apply to study at KU. They are the International Summer/Winter Campus (ISC/IWC) which is also organized by the Office of International Affairs and the Korean language program which is offered by the Korean Language Center (KLC). The following is a brief introduction to ISC and KLC. For more detailed information, you may visit the websites and contact the ISC/IWC and KLC directly.

KU International Summer Campus (KU ISC)
A great opportunity to explore your summer!
KU ISC is a 4-week and 6-week academic summer program specially designed for international students who wish to explore their summer for both academic and cultural learning. It offers one semester’s load of work condensed into 4 and 6 weeks, during which renowned academics from top-tier universities deliver more than 120 courses that cover a wide range of subjects. Academic credits may be granted by the students’ home university at its discretion. Also, students can taste the unique culture of Korea by participating in various field trips such as Korean cooking class, Taekwondo class, K-culture experience and etc.

ISC website: summer.korea.ac.kr   Email: isc@korea.ac.kr   Tel: +82-2-3290-1152, 1154

KU International Winter Campus (KU IWC)
Winter in Seoul - one of the most exciting cities in the world.
The Korea University International Winter Campus (KU IWC) is an academic and cultural program which happens during the winter months in Korea. More than 20 course offerings cover a wide range of subjects pertaining to international issues, with a particular emphasis on Business, Economics, Humanities, International Relations, Science, Korean Studies and Taekwondo. Along with the academic opportunities, the KU IWC provides chances to experience Korean culture outside of the classroom including one-day field trips such as a ski trip, Korean cuisine outing and K-pop experience.

IWC website: winter.korea.ac.kr   Email: kuwinter@korea.ac.kr   Tel: +82-2-3290-1153

Korean Language Center
The Korean Language Center (KLC) was established with the goal of teaching and promoting Korean language and culture throughout the world. The total number of international students who have studied and learned Korean language, history, and culture since 1986 has reached over 68,000 with more than 12,000 students participating in this program in 2016 alone.

The KLC offers a systematic and integrated curriculum, excellent textbooks and teaching materials, and most importantly, distinguished faculty members and a supportive staff who are always willing to help students both in and out of the classroom. For more detailed information about the programs that KLC offers, please visit the website at http://klc.korea.ac.kr or send an email to korean@korea.ac.kr
Living in Seoul

With a heritage of centuries and the cutting-edge technology of the IT industry, Seoul is a city of contrasts where the old and the new exist in harmony. The city is surrounded by beautiful mountains and has a river that runs through it which is quite rare for such big city and the nearest seaside is within easy reach of just under an hour.

KU is located in the capital city of Seoul that boasts a population of over 10 million. Seoul is a bustling center of culture, finance, politics, and entertainment. As a fast growing global city, the city also offers support to non-Korean nationals through global centers to make their lives more convenient and comfortable during their stay in the city.
Life at Korea University

There is more to life than just studying and that is why we want to give you every opportunity to socialize and meet your fellow students. To be a successful student, you need to balance academic goals with personal desires, and we want you to be part of the KU community, so take part in student societies and tell others about yourself!

Student Activities
There are hundreds of societies and activities available campus-wide that are open to all KU students and you will also find that there is a never-ending list of events held throughout the year at KU. For more information about student societies and activities, please contact the Global Services Center at studyabroad@korea.ac.kr or call +82 2 3290 5176-7

Accommodations
There are four main student residences for international students, Anam Hall 2, CJ International House, Frontier Hall and the brand-new Global House. Students will apply for housing once they are admitted to KU and the application must be completed online at http://oia.korea.ac.kr > Campus Life > Accommodation. These facilities are for limited numbers of international students, therefore the rooms are given priority on a first-come, first-serve basis so remember to reserve as early as possible. Students may self-cater, or dine on campus in cafes or nearby restaurants. Should one miss the application deadline for accommodation, or have not been offered a place for on-campus housing, the Global Services Center can still provide assistance in finding the appropriate housing near the campus within walking distance. The Global Services Center provides guidance and a full range of services to support students’ needs. For information about other types of off-campus accommodations, please refer to the International Student Handbook which can be downloaded from http://oia.korea.ac.kr > Overview > Board

Help & Advice
The staff at the Global Services Center have had experiences in dealing with international students from all over the world, and they understand the challenges you may face being away from home. If you have any problems or feel lonely or depressed, there are various people you may talk to. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact staff members in the Global Services Center at studyabroad@korea.ac.kr.

Student Health Insurance
It is mandatory for all international students to submit a certificate of private health insurance to the Global Services Center to cover the cost of all necessary medical care during the period of study before the start of their study at KU.
Global KU Scholarships

In celebration of its centennial in 2005, Korea University established Global KU Scholarships. Global KU Scholarships aim to encourage future global leaders to study at KU. Only undergraduate exchange and visiting students at KU are eligible to apply for Global KU Scholarships.

Global KU Scholarships

- **Types**
  - Admission Scholarship: up to KRW750,000 per month for the first semester (4 months)
  - Travel Scholarship: designed to assist students meet basic travel costs, one-time payment of up to a maximum of KRW1,000,000 according to travel distance and currency rate
  - Merit Scholarship: awarded on the basis of academic merit for the first semester, KRW300,000 per month for a second semester (4 months), therefore applicable to exchange/visiting students who participated in one year program only

- **Conditions**
  - Admission and KU Travel Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic merit at the applicant’s home institution
  - Faculty/Institution/National quotas may apply
  - Only those who extend the duration of their study at KU from one semester to two semesters are eligible to apply for ‘Merit Scholarships’ at the time of approval for extension.
  - Funding for the scholarship is subject to availability
  - *USD 1 = KRW 1,100

- **Eligibility**
  - Be a currently enrolled undergraduate student at the home university
  - Have an overall weighted average of at least 75% at the home university
  - Have a fluent command of either English or Korean

- **Required Documents**
  - A completed application form
  - One passport-sized photograph
  - One academic reference
  - Statement of purpose (maximum 500 words)

- **Important Notice**
  - All documents must be provided in English. Please attach translations in English if the documents are in any other language
  - Documents submitted with the application will not be returned to the applicant
  - Apply for either Admission or KU Travel Scholarships at the time of application submission

- **Application Deadlines**
  - Spring semester (March): January 30
  - Fall semester (September): July 30

- **Notice**
  - In addition to the Global KU Scholarship, KU also awards scholarships to students coming from the member institutions of Universitas 21 (U21) and the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU). For more detailed information about the U21 and APRU scholarships, please visit the website at http://oia.korea.ac.kr > Exchange/Visiting > Student Support > Scholarships
Admission & Application

Eligibility
Student Exchange Program (SEP) & Visiting Student Program (VSP)
- Must be a currently enrolled student at one’s home university
- Must be nominated by KU’s exchange partner institution (SEP only)
- Undertaken a minimum of two semesters of university level study (by the time you start at KU)
- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent

Application Submission
All students for SEP and VSP must submit the following documents online
- A completed online application form
- Original academic transcript of records
- Statement of purpose
- A certified copy of passport (photograph page)
- Photo (taken within six months)
- One academic reference by email (studyabroad@korea.ac.kr) or post (VSP only)
- The application fee of USD 50 (non-refundable) payable by wire transfer to Korea University (VSP only)

Application Deadlines
- Spring semester (March): November 15
- Fall semester (September): May 15

The Assessment Process
- Once we have received your completed application it will be assessed for eligibility. In most cases the assessment process takes approximately two weeks. If you are made an offer of study, further information will be sent to you regarding orientation, accommodation and enrollment.

Notice
- All required documents can be uploaded online so there is no need to send the original documents by post.
- Please note that all students who come to study at KU through the student exchange program managed by the Global Services Center will study at the Anam campus in Seoul which is the main campus of Korea University.
- For more detailed information, please visit the website at http://oia.korea.ac.kr > Exchange/Visiting.
# Academic Calendar 2017

## Monthly Events for International Students

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### Special Events

- **International Students’ Orientation City Tour**
- **Welcome Party**
- **Farewell Party**
- **Annual Ko-Yon Varsity Matches**
- **Farewell Party**
- **International Students’ Festival**
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- **Korean Language Program**
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College of Law
As one of Korea’s most prestigious law schools, the College of Law is committed to providing students with a balanced curriculum of studies. The College offers a wide range of studies that are essential to a career in law and such as social law, labor law, international law, the philosophy of law, and comparative law.

College of Business
The Korea University Business School (KUBS) has spearheaded the development and innovation of management education in Korea and thus, has become one of the country’s top business schools. KUBS graduates account for the largest number of the nation’s top business executives and certified public accountants (CPAs), a hallmark of the school’s excellent education in management theories and practices.

College of Liberal Arts
The first aim of the College is to foster leaders who will function and thrive in this era of globalization and secondary to offer our students the most complete and uplifting humanities curriculum possible. The College receives support for research from the Institute for Korean Culture, Institute for Asian Studies, Korean Institute for Research in the Humanities and Information.

College of Life Sciences & Biotechnology
In order to become a major center of the world’s life science research, the College is developing and nurturing its own global program as well as sharing the global trend and that there can be a disjunction between progressive movements in the art and design fields and the realities of everyday education. Some of the effects include increasing the number of subjects for video and media art, sharing credits and course classification numbers with the Korean National University of Arts, offering lectures on prominent art administrators and curators, planning exhibitions for graduates, and developing support programs.

College of Sciences
The College of Sciences, through major funding from the BK21 (Brain Korea 21) project, the Korean education ministry and the Seoul branch of the Korea Basic Science Institute, is making enormous contributions to basic and applied research and joint-academic-industry research. With a total of nine related institutes, including the KUBS Basic Science Institute created in 1971, the College is highly regarded as one of the foremost in Korea for both education and research.

College of Engineering
The College of Engineering has produced more than 16,000 outstanding alumni enabling South Korea to enter a post-industrial society. In 1996, the College of Engineering developed a large-scale science town namely Korea Techno Complex to encourage industry-sciences-research cooperation. It was the first attempt in Korea. Korea Techno Complex is the center for high technology in Korea. Three fields of information and Communication Technology were selected as BK21 (Brain Korea 21) grant recipients, a project for nurturing highly qualified human resources. These fields include the Internet IT-RC (Information Technology Research Center), the ERC (Engineering Research Center) and the NRI (National Research Laboratory) of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

College of Political Sciences & Economics
The College of Political Science & Economics has over 70 professors, four departments central to social sciences (Department of Political Science and International Relations, Department of Economics, Department of Statistics and Department of Public-Administration), and interdisciplinary programs including the PGE (Politics, Economics, and Law) course, which is a preliminary law school program. Law and Administration, and Financial Engineering. Affiliated research facilities include the Institute of Economic Research, Asia Research Center, Institute for Peace Studies, Ilim International Relations Institute, Institute of Statistics, and Institute of Governmental Studies.

College of Medicine
The College of Medicine is aimed at cultivating highly skilled doctors through promoting an understanding of the human dignity of each patient while safeguarding their health through the realization of social justice, in union with research into the medical sciences. All these endeavors are pursued under Korea University’s motto – Liberty, Justice and Truth. At the Korea University College of Medicine, students will develop excellent skills to achieve their dreams of becoming outstanding medical professionals and researchers contributing to betterment of human health and welfare.

College of Education
Graduates of the College of Education are known to be fully active in all kinds of professional education fields such as teaching, education policy and administration, education related organizations, corporate, and public media based on such educational ideology.

College of Information
The College placed first among all the science disciplines all KU in terms of the 2007 student college entrance exam scores. In addition, it also ranked first in the nation-wide benchmarking of information and communications providers. The College continues to attract excellent students from abroad and is continuously expanding overseas training for students.

College of Art & Design
The College emphasizes the importance of basic courses in the belief that “trends and education are different things” and that there can be a disjunction between progressive movements in the art and design fields and the realities of everyday education. Some of the effects include increasing the number of subjects for video and media art, sharing credits and course classification numbers with the Korean National University of Arts, offering lectures on prominent art administrators and curators, planning exhibitions for graduates, and developing support programs.

Graduate School
The College of Education is a leading provider of communications education, both in terms of the graduates’ employment rate and social activities and the faculty’s research activities.

College of Health Science
The College of Health Science has introduced innovative reforms to its education and research environment by recently constructing a Health Science Information Center and renovating the Jeon Center and Student Center. It has also provided the foundation to become an outstanding research-centered university by establishing a common research facility and expanding and redeveloping its annual experiment and research. Moreover, the College has invited professors to conduct active research from prestigious universities such as UC Berkeley and Johns Hopkins University to further enhance the quality of its lectures and research.

Graduate School
The goal of the College is to train nurses who can contribute to the promotion of human health and cope with rapid changes in health care and medical treatments. To achieve these ends, the College operates a research-based institute of nursing and has formed collaborative relationships with renowned scholars in the field, both in Korea and abroad.

School of Interdisciplinary Studies
The School of Interdisciplinary Studies aims to foster leaders for the public sector by revitalizing the training function in each field through educating students with knowledge in linked majors in various fields such as Public Governance and Leadership, Law, Public Administration and Economics.

Graduate School
The Korea University Graduate School provides an optimal environment for intellectual research and social contribution by offering a wide range of educational programs for those specific to individual disciplines to the integration of multiple disciplines, such as humanities, social science, natural science, biotechnology and medicine, among others, depending on the features of the research area. In addition, some research is conducted in cooperation with industries or external agencies, further expanding both the depth and breadth of the studies while moving beyond academic parochialism. The Korea University Graduate School is an ideal academic setting offering comprehensive education programs, world-class teaching and research faculty, outstanding students and state-of-the-art research equipment and facilities on campus.