

SOONGSIL EXCHANGE PROGRAM FACT SHEET 2018

Academic Information

Academic Schedule

- Spring Semester: March 2 - June 21
- Fall Semester: September 1 - December 21

	Spring Semester (Semester 1)	Fall Semester (Semester 2)
Course Registration	February 19 - February 23	August 20 - August 24
Classes Start	March 2	September 1
Course Add/Drop	March 2 - March 8	September 3 - September 7
Course Drop	March 19 - March 23	September 17 - September 21
Midterm Week	April 19 - April 25	October 19 - October 25
Final Week	June 15 - June 21	December 15 - December 21
Classes End	June 21	December 21
Transcript Issued	Late July	Late January
National Holidays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independence Day: Mar 1 • Children's Day: May 5 • Buddha's Birthday: May 22 • Memorial Day: June 6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chuseok: Sep 23 – Sep 26 • National Foundation Day: Oct 3 • Hangeul Day: Oct 9

Course Load

Students can take up to 19 credits per semester. Normally, one course is awarded 2 or 3 credits.

Courses

You can choose any undergraduate course regardless of your major unless there is a prerequisite requirement.

Courses in English

Approximately 17% of all courses are taught in English. There are several programs in which a large majority of the classes are taught in English: Lifelong Education, Christian Studies, English Language and Literature, Business Management and Media.

Asian Studies Program

The Asian Studies Program has been developed specifically with international students in mind. It is designed for students who are interested in learning or increasing their knowledge of Asian culture and history. These courses are offered at no extra cost. All courses are taught in English and are offered both Spring and Fall semesters. Upon completing a minimum of six courses, students, who have obtained a GPA of 2.5, will be awarded a certificate.

Korean Language Course

We offer leveled Korean language classes in the evening at no extra cost. These classes provide students with an excellent opportunity to improve their Korean language skills and understand Korean culture. They will help students understand and use familiar expressions in everyday situations, which will help them make real life connections in Korea outside of the classroom.

Course Registration

We will send accepted students a course list at the beginning of February for the Spring semester and the beginning of August for the Fall semester. In principle, students are allowed to take any courses offered at Soongsil regardless of their major. The students should send a list of courses chosen by a designated date to the designated email address. Further instructions will be emailed directly to students.

- a) A course list will be emailed to you in the first week of February for the spring semester and in the first week

of August for the fall semester.

b) Please send a list of courses you would like to take to SISO(Soongsil International Student Organization) members.

c) SISO members will help you with the whole process.

Credit Transfer

Credits earned at Soongsil will be transferred to the home university according to their rules and regulations.

Transcripts

Final grades will be available within one month of classes finishing. The official transcript will be mailed to the International Office at your home university. Transcripts will be sent out in late July for the spring semester and in late January for the fall semester.

Grading System & Transfer

	Letter Grade	Grade Point Value	Percentage	Description
Grading System	A+/A0/A-	4.5/4.3/4.0	100-97/96-94/93-90	Excellent
	B+/B0/B-	3.5/3.3/3.0	89-87/86-84/83-80	Good
	C+/C0/C-	2.5/2.3/2.0	79-77/76-74/73-70	Adequate
	D+/D0/D-	1.5/1.3/1.0	69-97/66-64/63-60	Marginal
	F	0	59-0	Inadequate

Student Life

Housing

All exchange students are required to stay in accommodation arranged by Soongsil.

	Dormitory	Apartment	URSeoul		
Location	• On-campus	• Off-campus • Located within a walking distance (5 minutes on foot from Campus)	• Off-campus • Near Seoul Station (30 minutes by bus)		
Room Type	• Double room with bathroom	Each Apartment has 3 rooms, 1 living room, 1 kitchen and bathroom. (5 people will share one apartment)	• Single, Twin, Triple etc. (7 different types of room with bathroom)		
Period of Stay (Tentative)	16 weeks	• Spring Semester: February 26 - June 21 • Fall Semester: August 27 - December 21			
	25 weeks	• Spring Semester: February 26 - August 15 • Fall Semester: August 27 - February 17			
	※ <i>The exact check-in and check-out date may change.</i> General check-in and check-out dates are as follows: • Check-in date: Feb 26 – 28 (Office hour 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM) • Check-out date: June 21(16 weeks) / August 15 (25 weeks) ※ Early check-in is possible depending on availability. Accommodation fees per night are 16,500 KRW. If you would like to check-in early, please contact us.				
Fee	16 weeks	•1,305,300 KRW /person	•1,600,000 KRW/person	1,800,000KRW /person(Single Room)	465,000 ~ 955,000 KRW / 1 month
	25 weeks	•1,828,900 KRW /person	•2,200,000 KRW/person	2,400,000KRW /person(Single Room)	

	※ All costs include utilities such as electricity, water, gas and internet service		※ Utility costs are not included such as electricity, water, gas and etc.
Address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soongsil Residence Hall, Soongsil University, 369 Sangdo-ro, Dongjak-gu, 06978, Seoul, (서울시 동작구 상도로 369 승실대학교 레지던스홀) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sewon Villa, 504-13, Sangdo-dong, Dongjak-gu, Seoul, 156-881 (서울시 동작구 상도동 504- 13번지, 세원빌라) 	Twincity Namsan, Hangang-daero 366, Yongsan-gu, 04323, Seoul (서울시 용산구 한강대로 366, 04323, URSeoul)
Website	http://ssudorm.ssu.ac.kr	-	http://urseoul.com/residences/

Application Process

- Please email a housing application form to the following email address: housing@soongsil.ac.kr
- After reviewing housing applications, we will announce the housing assignment results in *late February* for the Spring semester and in *late July* for the Fall semester. Please note that students might not be assigned to the housing of choice based on availability. However, every attempt will be made to meet the student's request.

Housing Assignment

After reviewing housing applications, we will announce the housing assignment results *in mid January* for the Spring semester and in *mid July* for the Fall semester. Please note that students might not be assigned to the housing of choice based on availability. However, every attempt will be made to meet the student's request. You will need to pay a housing fee *within the first week of the semester by wire transfer (Cash only)*.

Payment Procedure

You will need to pay a housing fee *within the first week of the semester by wire transfer (Cash only)*. We will inform students of the banking information and payment deadline the last week of February for Spring semester and August for Fall semester.

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Gym

In order to use the gym, you will need to submit an application by a semester. Please apply in advance to the following link(<https://goo.gl/forms/FYvFowvjufYmIQG03>) and keep in mind that the number of who can enroll is limited.

Jo Mansik Memorial Hall Gym	
Location	1 st floor of Jo Mansik Memorial Hall
Operating Hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 08:00 – 20:00 (Weekdays) • 09:00 – 14:00 (Saturdays) • Closed in holidays
Fee	50,000 KRW/Semester

Visa and Health Insurance

Visa (D-2-4)

Every student will need to obtain a student visa before coming to Korea. In order to obtain the visa, students need to apply for it at the Korean consulate near their own home. Please consult with the consulate as to the required documents. The following is a general list required documents for issuing a student visa.

Required Documents

- Application Form (www.hikorea.go.kr)
- Passport
- Certificate of Admission (This will be issued by Soongsil University.)
- Proof of Financial Support
(A bank statement or a scholarship certificate proving that you maintain a minimum balance or have a scholarship certificate to receive a visa)
- Two color photos (3.5 cm x 4.5 cm)
- Visa processing fee
- Other documents required by the Korean consulate

Medical Certificate

It is important for students to make sure that all immunizations are up to date. Please submit the medical certificate completed by a physician.

Health Insurance

Health insurance is mandatory for all exchange students. You are required to have health insurance which covers the entire length of your stay in Korea. If you purchase health insurance through the International Office, it will cost approximately 140,000 KRW for 6 months and 200,000 KRW for 12 months. If you want to purchase health insurance in Korea, you can find more information in the following website:

www.foreignerdb.com/ssu4

Health Insurance Minimum Coverage

Accidental Death and Disability	50,000,000 KRW
Accident Hospitalization (in Korea)	10,000,000 KRW
Sickness Death	10,000,000 KRW
Sickness Hospitalization (in Korea)	10,000,000 KRW
Medical Reimbursement (Outpatient)	250,000 KRW
Medical Reimbursement (Prescription)	50,000 KRW
Personal Liability	10,000,000 KRW
Repatriation	10,000,000 KRW

Expected Expenses for a semester at SSU

Accommodation	1,400,000 KRW/4 months (Dormitory double room)
Food and meals	400,000 KRW/month
Korean Health Insurance	25,000 KRW/month
Public Transportation	40,000 KRW/month
Leisure	150,000 KRW/month
Miscellaneous	45,000 KRW/month
Total	1,010,000 KRW/month

To and From Incheon International Airport

It is very easy to get to Soongsil from the airport, so we do not offer an airport pick-up service. There are several ways to come to Soongsil. Please see below. It will take approximately one hour to arrive depending on the traffic.

By airport shuttle

Incheon International Airport (Bus No. 6019) → Soongsil University



Bus Stops	Bus Number	Fares
Get on: Exit 6B/13A Get off: Soongsil University Annex	6019	15,000 KRW

By Taxi

Taxi Stops: Exit 4D(International Taxi), Exit 6C (Seoul Taxi)

Taxi fares: approximately 70,000 KRW

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Medium TAXI

- Seoul Orange (insert image)
- Burglar alarm lamp
- Side

5-seater (including driver)
1,600cc~2,000cc

- Type1
- Type2
- Side

5-seater (including driver)
over 2,000cc

Other Useful Information

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Visa

Korean Immigration Service www.hikorea.go.kr

Tour

Seoul Metropolitan Government english.seoul.go.kr

Visit Seoul (Seoul Metropolitan Government) english.visitseoul.net/index

Visit Korea (Korea Tourism Organization) english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/index.kto

Jeju Tourism Organization www.jto.or.kr/english/

Transportation

Incheon International Airport www.airport.kr

Korean Railroad info.korail.com/mbs/english/index.jsp

Seoul Metro www.seoulmetro.co.kr/eng/

iPhone APPS

I Tour Seoul itunes.apple.com/us/app/i-tour-seoul/id360156429?mt=8

Subway Korea itunes.apple.com/us/app/subway-korea/id325924444?mt=8

Google Translate itunes.apple.com/us/app/google-translate/id414706506?mt=8

KakaoTalk itunes.apple.com/us/app/kakaotalk-messenger/id362057947?mt=8

Android APPS

I Tour Seoul play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.sto.android.client.itourseoul

Subway Korea play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.imagedrome.jihachul&hl=en

Google Translate play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.google.android.apps.translate

Keyboard play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.google.android.inputmethod.korean

KakaoTalk play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.kakao.talk&hl=en

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No	Building Name	No	Building Name
1	Baird Hall 베어드홀	14	Central Library 중앙도서관
2	Economics & Business Building 경상관	15	Faculty Research Building 연구관
3	Community & Cultural Center 문화관	16	Cumming Hall 커밍홀
4	Ahn Eaktai Memorial Hall 안익태기념관	17	Global Brain Hall 생활관
5	Hyungnam Memorial Engineering Building 형남공학관	18	Residence Hall 학생생활관
6	Education Building 교육관	19	Computer Science Institute 전산관
7	White Horse Building 백마관	20	Vision Hall 미래관
8	Reverend Han Kyungchik Memorial Hall 한경직기념관	21	Information Science Building 정보과학관
9	Shinyang Hall 신양관	22	Westminster Hall 웨스트민스터홀
10	Entrepreneurship & Small Business Center 벤처중소기업센터	23	Student Union 학생회관
11	Veritas Hall 진리관	24	Genesis Hall 창익관
12	Jo Mansik Memorial Hall 조만식기념관	25	Main Stadium 대운동장
13	The Korean Christian Museum 한국기독교박물관	26	Tennis Courts 테니스장