



KU Fact sheet 2011/12

General Information	
Address:	Office of International Affairs Korea University Dongwon Global Leadership Hall Anam-dong, Seongbuk-gu, Seoul, Korea 136-701
Telephone:	(82-2) 3290-1151, 1152
Fax:	(82-2) 922-5820

Web addresses	
Korea University	http://www.korea.edu
Information for incoming students	http://oia.korea.ac.kr

Outbound Exchange & Visiting Students and Incoming Students' Admission		
Coordinator for: US, Canada, & South America	Mr. Albert Wonsuk Choi	E-mail: won7301@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 2 3290 2962
Coordinator for: Europe	Ms. JJ Park	E-mail: jypark1219@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 2 3290 2963
Coordinator for: Oceania & Asia	Ms. Hyunjoo Cho	E-mail: joojoo@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 2 3290 2961
Coordinator for: China	Ms. Ming Hua Tian 田明花	E-mail: mhjeon77@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 2 3290 1158

Inbound Exchange & Visiting Students		
Incoming Students Advisor	Mr. Donghoon Park	E-mail: donghoon@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 2 3290 1159
International One-stop Service Center	Ms. Jiwon Kim	E-mail: zwon@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 2 3290 5151~3

International Summer Campus (ISC)		
ISC Senior Manager	Mr. Yonggu Kang	E-mail: ygkang@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 3290 1150
ISC Manager	Mr. Jeff Jang	E-mail: muscle73@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 3290 1154
ISC Manager	Mr. Ryan Seowoong Lee	E-mail: seowoong@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 3290 1598
ISC Manager (pre-college)	Ms. Kelly Yum	E-mail: hkyeom@korea.ac.kr Tel : +82 3290 1156

Deadlines	
Application deadlines:	Semester 1 (Spring) : November 30 Semester 2 (Fall) : May 30
Course selection:	Students will register for courses during the orientation program at KU.



Nomination and application procedures	
Entry Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale ● Must be a currently enrolled student ● Must have completed a minimum of 2 semesters at home institution before date of application to KU ● Fluency in either Korean or English language
Nomination procedure for Student Exchange Program (SEP):	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Before the official nomination, exchange coordinators should consult with the KU exchange program manager for your region concerning the number of Student Exchange Program (SEP) nominees. 2. Once the number of nominees has been confirmed, you may send a nomination email to the relevant regional manager. When doing so, please provide the name, level of study, major, intended period of study and email address for each nominee- You will then receive a confirmation email with updated KU fact sheets. 3. Please send the application form and supporting documents to KU by the deadline indicated. 4. Once the student's application is approved, the 'Admission Package' will be sent to the exchange coordinator of the student's home university, not to the individual student, it will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Letter of admission through which SEP nominees will be advised for further information regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - D-2 Student visa - Accommodation - Course registration - International students' orientation - Private health insurance ● Certificate of acceptance ● Offer acceptance form ● Student handbook 5. Please advise students to send in the offer acceptance form and the copy of their private health insurance form within 4 weeks of receiving the admission package by either <u>email or post only</u>. 6. <u>Exchange coordinators at partner universities are responsible</u> for making sure all students have international private health insurance that will be valid during their exchange period abroad at KU. Those who do not submit the copy of private health insurance will NOT be allowed to enroll at KU even if they have submitted the offer acceptance form. 7. Once KU receives the offer acceptance form and the copy of the private health insurance, the students will be admitted to KU. <p>NOTE: We request that the home institutions send confirmation to us upon receipt of the Admission Package.</p>
Application procedure for Visiting Student Program (VSP):	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visiting Student Program (VSP) applicants must prepare the application as well as the supporting documents and send them directly to KU. 2. The application form with supporting documents must be sent by the deadline with non-refundable USD50 application fee. Once the application has been submitted, the internal procedure for approval of the applications by the KU International Committee will commence in May/Nov, this may take up to one month. 3. Once your application has been accepted, KU will send you a copy of the letter of admission, offer acceptance form, KU fact sheets and a



	<p>tuition invoice by email. Once your tuition payment has been completed, your admission package will be sent directly to you. The admission package will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Letter of admission that includes further information regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - D-2 Student visa - Accommodation - Course registration - International students' orientation - Private health insurance ● Certificate of acceptance (necessary for visa) <p>Please return the Offer acceptance form within 4 weeks of receiving the admission package, together with a copy of the student's proof of private health insurance either by email or post only. Those who failed to provide the copy proof of insurance will NOT be allowed to enroll at KU, even if they have submitted the offer acceptance form.</p>
<p>Requirements for application *All supporting documents MUST be provided in English or with English translation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nomination letter from the home institution (SEP only) ● Completed application form (*All information MUST be clearly entered in CAPITAL letters) ● Statement of purpose and goals (what you hope to achieve) ● One official academic transcript ● Copy of proof of private health insurance (must be valid throughout your study abroad period, and be sent with the offer acceptance form) ● Two passport-sized photographs ● Copy of a valid passport ● One letter of academic recommendation (VSP only) ● Application Fee of USD50 (non-refundable) payable by bank cheque to Korea University (VSP only)
<p>Application download (incoming information materials available)</p>	<p>http://oia.korea.ac.kr > Campus Life > Reference Room</p>

Arrival Guide	
<p>International students' orientation</p>	<p>Orientation is MANDATORY for all SEP & VSP students Spring semester: February 27-28, 2012 Fall semester: TBC</p>
<p>Recommended arrival dates</p> <p>Accommodation moving-in dates (CJ I-House, Anam Hall 2 & Off-campus accommodation)</p> <p>Accommodation moving-out dates (CJ I-House, Anam Hall 2 & Off-campus accommodation)</p>	<p>Between the opening dates of the university halls and before the start of the international students' orientation: February 25-26 for Spring semester & August 21-22 (TBC) for Autumn semester</p> <p>Semester 1 (Spring): February 25 Semester 2 (Fall): TBC</p> <p>Semester 1 (Spring): June 24 Semester 2 (Fall): TBC</p> <p>NOTE: The dates will vary each year.</p>
<p>Airport pick-up service</p>	<p>On February 25-26 and August 21-22 (TBC), 2012, there will be a FREE meet-and-greet service for students who will be living in KU residence halls, and who are attending the international orientation program. If students wish to be met at Incheon international airport and taken to their hall of residence, they MUST submit the ONLINE Airport</p>



	<p>pick-up service form (http://oia.korea.ac.kr -> <i>International Students -> Other Applications</i>) by no later than February 12 (Spring semester) and July 31 (Autumn semester-TBC) 2012.</p> <p>Please note that the airport meeting service operates at Incheon international airport only and is available only for flights that arrive before 9pm. The bus to Korea University will depart every two hours from 8am until 10pm during the two days. Students may have to wait at the airport until other incoming students arrive. The approximate travelling time from the airport to halls is normally 1.5 to 2 hours.</p>
<p>What if I do not apply or miss the application deadline for the airport pick-up?</p>	<p>If students do not apply or miss the deadline for the airport pick-up, they will need find their own transportation to Korea University.</p> <p>Useful website: http://www.airport.kr/eng/airport/ http://www.airhelp.co.kr http://oia.korea.ac.kr > <i>Campus Life > Reference Room</i></p>

Academic offerings	
<p>Limited subject area:</p>	<p>Law, philosophy, history, business, film making, art & design</p> <p>*Please note that there is a high demand for business courses and as a result it can be difficult to register for them. If you must take certain courses in order to graduate, you must specify the reason in the application form.</p>
<p>NOT available to SEP/VSP students</p>	<p>Medicine, Nursing, Philosophy</p>
<p>List of courses taught in Korean and English</p>	<p>http://www.korea.edu > <i>Academics > Courses</i> Then select the appropriate Year, Term, and Department > Click on the Course no. for more detailed course information. *Courses conducted in English will indicate in brackets, English.</p>
<p>List of all courses taught in English</p>	<p>http://oia.korea.ac.kr > <i>Campus Life > Reference Room</i></p>
<p>Scheduled updates of the English language course list</p>	<p>Undergraduates: Beginning of December for Semester 1 (Spring) Beginning of June for Semester 2 (Fall) Postgraduates: Beginning of February for Semester 1 (Spring) Beginning of August for Semester 2 (Fall)</p>
<p>Can students choose courses offered in different schools?</p>	<p>Yes, students can choose courses offered in different schools as long as there is no overlap of the class time.</p>

Student services	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Free airport pick-up* ● International orientation for SEP & VSP students ● Course registration ● Student/bank card 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● KUBA (Korea University Buddy Assistance)* ● Free Korean language classes during the semester breaks ● Sports Day ● General counseling ● Seoul city tour
<p>*Online application for KUBA: http://oia.korea.ac.kr > International Students > KUBA Airport pick-up: http://oia.korea.ac.kr > International Students > Other application</p>	



International Summer Campus (ISC)	
Duration (6 weeks)	July 2 nd – August 9 th
Application deadline (all students)	May 25 th
Arrival date	June 30 th
Program start	July 2 nd
Classes start	July 2 nd
Exam week	3 rd and last week of the program
Departure	August 11 th and 12 th
Web address	http://isc.korea.ac.kr
ISC courses	http://isc.korea.ac.kr > programs > courses
ISC faculty	61 faculty members from overseas institutions
Workload	4 classes a week, 100 minutes per class, total 48 class hours
Coordinators	Mr. Jeff Jang (muscle73@korea.ac.kr)

Workload	
Course load:	Each course at KU is equal to 2 or 3 credits.
<u>Undergraduates</u>	<u>Min. 12 and max. 19 credits per semester.</u> Please note: Undergraduate students who have earned more than 12 credits during the first semester with a minimum GPA of 4.0 are eligible for a [Merit scholarship] for the second semester.
<u>Postgraduates</u>	<u>Min. 6 and max. 12 credits per semester</u> Please note: Undergraduate students may sit in one or more postgraduate classes but only after receiving approval of the relevant professor

Language of instruction & Language courses	
Language of instruction	Korean (40%) and English (60%) 60% of courses are conducted in English
Korean language courses	Credit-bearing Korean language courses are offered during the regular semesters there are 6 different levels from beginner to advanced. For those who wish to take Korean language classes, no prior knowledge of the Korean language is required but the placement test is mandatory. It will be held during the International Students' Orientation. Free Korean language classes (4 weeks) are offered to students who completed a regular semester at KU during the winter/summer break.

Accommodation	
On-campus accommodation	On-campus accommodation is available but very limited. Students are advised to apply as soon as the online application is open as rooms are allocated on first come first serve basis. Room assignments will be made once students transfer the deposit of KRW200,000 The residence office will contact the students later via email for full payment.



	Most of the rooms are shared room. All on-campus accommodation is located within about 20 minutes of walking distance from the main campus.
Off-campus accommodation	There is a wide range of off-campus housing available near campus, reachable by 5-10 minutes walk. Most of the rooms are small but en-suite so many students prefer to stay off-campus. The list of off-campus accommodations will be printed in the student handbook and the incoming advisors will provide information and assistance where needed. If you have any queries about the off-campus housing options, please email studyabroad@korea.ac.kr
Applying for on-campus accommodation	Online Application submission: Dec 7, 2011 ~ Jan 14, 2012 Prior to applying for accommodations, students will have received the KU admission letter with the KU ID number necessary for the online housing application. Application result: February 15, 2012 To apply for housing, please visit the direct link http://reslife.korea.ac.kr
What if I was not given a room or failed to apply for on-campus accommodation?	Those who have not found on-campus accommodation, the Office of International Affairs will provide information and assistance in finding off-campus accommodation nearby the campus at reasonable rates. Off-campus accommodation information can be found on our website http://oia.korea.ac.kr -> <i>Campus Life</i> -> <i>Accommodation</i> or you can also download the student handbook of which includes both on and off-campus housing information from http://oia.korea.ac.kr -> <i>Campus Life</i> -> <i>Reference Room</i>
Semester breaks	Accommodation is available during the breaks between the semesters. If you wish to stay on during the break, you will be required to fill in the application form for extension in advance. http://reslife.korea.ac.kr

Estimated living expenses in Seoul

On-campus Accommodation	CJ I-House: KRW 1,600,000 per semester (4 months) Anam Hall 2: KRW 800,000 per semester (4 months) http://reslife.korea.ac.kr/src/main/page.php?code=rate#
Private accommodation	Approx. KRW 300,000~500,000 per month
Food/Meals	Approx. KRW 400,000 per month
Local transportation	Approx. KRW 60,000 per month
Academic expenses	Approx. KRW 150,000 per semester (mainly textbooks)
Personal expenses	Approx. KRW 250,000 per month but may vary.

Insurance

Private health insurance	All SEP & VSP students coming to study at KU <u>MUST provide a copy of their private health insurance that is valid from the moment they leave their home country and to the time when they depart from Korea.</u> Those who fail to provide the copy of their health insurance that is valid in Korea <u>will NOT be allowed to enroll at KU even if they have sent in the offer acceptance form.</u>
---------------------------------	---

Visa requirements

Student visa	All international incoming students coming to study at KU must apply for a D-2 student visa. When you receive the admission package, the CoA (Certificate of Admission) will be included together with the Letter of
---------------------	--



	Admission, you can apply for the student visa at the Korean Embassy or a Korean consulates in your home country by submitting the CoA. For information about any immigration issues, please go to http://oia.korea.ac.kr -> <i>Campus Life</i> -> <i>Immigration Issues</i>
Working in Korea	The revised part-time job permission for foreign students holding D-2 visa was enacted on March 1, 2003. The Ministry of Justice is implementing a more flexible program in order to meet foreign students' expectations. A D-2 holding foreign student may apply for an exception to their visa. *All jobs that students find must be provided by an official employer.
Number of hours allowed to work	Undergraduates: maximum 20 hours per week Graduates: maximum 40 hours per week
Mandatory job reporting	Those who have jobs with an official employer must report to the immigration office. Please visit http://www.hikorea.go.kr > E application > File an application

Scholarships	
Global KU Scholarship	Students may choose to apply for either an Admission or a Travel Scholarship. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Admission Scholarship: up to KRW3,000,000 for the first semester (4 months) ● KU Travel Scholarship: up to a maximum of KRW3,000,000 according to distance and currency rate ● *Merit Scholarship: awarded on the basis of academic merit from the first semester, KRW300,000 per month for the second semester (4 months), applicable to undergraduate SEP & VSP students participating in one-year program only. <p>For detailed information on how to apply, please check the website on http://oia.korea.ac.kr > <i>International Students</i> > <i>SEP/VSP</i> > <i>Global KU Scholarship</i></p>
Universitas 21 (U21) & Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU) Partnership Scholarship	To celebrate the entry to the Universitas 21 and Association of Pacific Rim Universities partnership and to promote active student mobility and cooperation, KU introduced partnership scholarships for every student from all member institutions of U21 and APRU. For regular semesters, USD250* will be provided per semester for participants from Asian member institutions, and USD500 for those from non-Asian member institutions. For the KU International Summer Campus, USD200 for Asian member institution participants and USD400 for non-Asian member institution participants will be granted. Applicants may also apply for the Global KU Scholarships. *USD 1 = KRW1,000
Scholarship results	The incoming advisors will notify the result to students by email in the beginning of October. Incoming advisors will contact students who have received the scholarship by email during the beginning of the semester.



Academic calendar 2012			
Month	Date	Day	Events
March	1	Thu	Independence Declaration Day (National Holiday)
	5	Mon	Spring Semester Begins
April	23~27	Mon~Fri	Spring Semester Midterm Examination Period
May	5	Sat	KU Foundation Day/ Children's Day (National Holiday)
	10	Wed	Buddha's Birthday (National Holiday)
June	6	Wed	Memorial Day (National Holiday)
	18~22	Mon~Fri	Spring Semester Final Examination Period
	25	Mon	Summer Vacation Begins / Summer Session Begins
July	21	Fri	Summer Session Ends
August	15	Wed	Liberation Day (National Holiday)
	27	Mon	Fall Semester Begins
September	7~8	Fri~Sat	Annual Korea-Yonsei Games
	30~10/1	Sun~Mon	Harvest Festival (Chuseok, National Holiday)
October	3	Wed	National Foundation Day (National Holiday)
	15~19	Mon~Fri	Fall Semester Midterm Examination Period
December	10~14	Mon~Fri	Fall Semester Final Examination Period
	17	Mon	Winter Vacation / Winter Session Begins
	25	Tue	Christmas (National Holiday)
2013 January	1	Tue	New Year's Day (National Holiday)
	15	Tue	Winter Session Ends
February	10~11	Sun~Mon	Korean New Year's Day (National Holiday)