

# SEOUL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL SUMMER INSTITUTE (SNU ISI)

# What is the SNU ISI Program?

SNU ISI presents a unique opportunity for students to experience academic life at Seoul National University, Korea's most prestigious university and one of the leading universities in the world. SNU ISI's intensive six-week summer program taught by distinguished SNU and visiting faculty members offers its participants the chance to learn in depth from experts on Korea and East Asia, as well as a range of topics from the disciplines of Economics and Business Management to History, Politics, Sociology, and Arts. SNU ISI also provides courses on Korean language and traditional arts, for students wishing acquire or advance their Korean language abilities while immersing Korea's contemporary and traditional culture.

# When and where does the program take place?

Begins Late June, Ends Late July-Early August (Total 6 weeks) at Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea

#### What are the eligibility requirements?

Students who are currently in an undergraduate or graduate program Students who are graduating high school and have been accepted to enter university in fall Students who have graduated from an undergraduate or graduate program and who wish to further their learning and experience Korea

#### What courses are offered?

Approximately 35 courses, including 20+ courses on East Asian and Korean Studies, 10+ General Courses in Business, Economics, Social Science, Humanities, etc. Courses on Korean culture such as Korean language, Korean ceramics/oriental painting, and Korean music are also offered.

# What extracurricular activities outside of courses are available?

5+ customized field-trips to regional cities, festivals, and "local-recommended" spots (fee-paying) A multitude of activities such as sports events, games, K-pop dance, movie nights, etc. (free of cost)

## Will I be able to transfer the academic credits earned at SNU ISI to my home institution?

Most courses at SNU ISI award students with SNU academic credits upon completion of the course. Most universities allow credit transfer, however, students must check with their department or academic adviser before registering at SNU ISI and it is strongly recommended that you receive pre-approval in advance, as credit transfer is highly dependent on

which course you take at SNU ISI and how it fits into your degree program. Also, universities in certain countries (e.g. United Kingdom) do not allow credit transfer from outside institutions.

# How much does it cost?

Category	Туре	Fees (USD)	
Mandatory	Application fee	\$200 (*Exempted for early registration)	
	Program fee	\$3,200 (up to 9 credits)	
	**Course Materials	\$0~100	
Optional	Housing Fee (SNU Dormitory) ***Meal plan not included	\$800	
	Field trip fee	\$0~\$300 (each)	

\* Students who complete application registration and payment of tuition fees by the end of March are exempted from the application fee

\* \*Course Materials: The cost for course materials are mostly already covered within the tuition, however, certain courses may require you to purchase books apart from the materials provided within class. Due to copyright issues, students are responsible for purchasing books if it is a requirement for the course.

\*\*\* Meals: The tuition or housing fees do not include cost for meals. There are many cafeterias that offer meals at a low cost (US\$2-5) within SNU campus, which SNU ISI students can use with the student ID card issued by SNU ISI.

#### Is financial assistance available?

SNU ISI offers the following scholarships:

Туре	Eligibility	Benefits
Returnees Scholarship	Students who have attended a previous SNU ISI program	20% reduction of tuition
Sibling Scholarship	Siblings who enroll at SNU ISI together or Students whose sibling has attended a previous SNU ISI program	20% reduction of tuition
Alumni Scholarship	Students whose parent had SNU degree	20% reduction of tuition

\* Please note that students can only benefit from one of the scholarships listed above even if they fit the eligibility for multiple scholarships. Documents proving eligibility must be submitted in order to receive the scholarship. For more information, please visit the SNU ISI website.

\* Additional tuition discount offers may be available for students in selected partner universities and/or colleges/departments. Please check with the SNU ISI team and the Study Abroad program officer at your home institution to see if you are eligible for tuition discount. \* Special scholarships may be offered depending on the year, and any such information will be available on the SNU ISI website or facebook page.

### What is the housing offered by SNU ISI (SNU on-campus dormitory) like?

The SNU Dormitory is within SNU Gwanak campus and is within walking distance from classrooms, library, and cafeterias. All dormitory rooms are double-occupancy, and each room is shared by SNU ISI students. The rooms are fully equipped with a private washroom and shower, air-conditioner, beds, closets, and desks/chairs as well as a shared mini-refrigerator. SNU ISI will be providing bedding and pillows free of charge.

In the dormitory building, there are laundry rooms with washing and drying machines where students can do their laundry free of charge (detergent not provided), and on each floor, there is a shared common room with a microwave and a single-burner portable induction stove.

\* Dormitory housing is not guaranteed for all students as there are limited spots available. Rooms will be allotted on a first-come, first-served basis to students who register during the course/housing registration period in May. Roommates will be allotted randomly, but students who wish to room together can have this arranged by arriving together at the dormitory.

#### Do I need to get a visa to attend the program?

Students need to consult the Embassy of Korea in their country to determine if a visa is required and to apply for an entry visa if needed. Many countries have a visa exemption agreement with Korea which allows entering and staying in Korea for up to 90 days. If you are from a country that has a 90-day visa exemption agreement, it is possible to attend SNU ISI without acquiring a visa. For students from countries without or with only a 30~60-day visa exemption agreement, SNU ISI will assist in providing documentation needed to apply for a visa.

To check your country's visa exemption status: http://sgp.mofa.go.kr/english/as/sgp/visa/issuance/index.jsp

# How do I apply?

Please visit the SNU ISI website for the application instructions and process. SNU ISI accepts application via online only, and the application can be accessed via the SNU ISI website. Applications open each year in January along with updated information on the year's program.

#### How can I find out more information?

Please visit the **SNU ISI website** (<u>http://isi.snu.ac.kr</u>) for more detailed information. (Information for the year's program is updated in January.) To receive notices about new updates and what's happening at the SNU ISI Program, please visit the **SNU ISI facebook page** (<u>www.facebook.com/snuisi</u>).

For any inquiries regarding the program, please email applyisi@snu.ac.kr or telephone +82-2-880-4449.