

# 2017 Konkuk University International Summer Program





# International Summer Program

<http://summer.konkuk.ac.kr>

The International Summer Program (ISP) at Konkuk University is a two-to-four-week-long summer program that provides a great opportunity for international students wishing to learn about Korea and experience its culture. The program is suitable for all students, but is particularly valuable to those having a general interest in Korea. Students can choose between the two 2-week sessions or participate in both sessions. During their summer vacation, students can now gain an understanding of this vibrant country that is considered as a global economic and cultural powerhouse and a gateway to the world.

## Highlights of the Program

- > Choice between two summer sessions that vary in academic courses (3-6 credits) and dates
- > Classes offering interesting insights into Korean history, culture, and business practices
- > Chance to learn the Korean language from the Konkuk Language Institute
- > On-campus housing guaranteed 100%
- > Field trips and various cultural programs
- > Weekend programs and many extracurricular programs with Konkuk students
- > Strong support from the Office of International Programs, including airport pick-up, Student Buddy System, etc.
- > Fees may be waived for students from Konkuk's partner universities. Please consult your home university's international office.

## 2017 ISP Schedule

ISP Session 1	
ISP Dormitory Opening	July 1-2
Summer Session 1 starts	July 3
Field trip 1	July 7
Session 1 Completion Ceremony	July 14
Session 1 Dormitory closes	July 15
ISP Session 2	
ISP Dormitory Opening	July 15-17
Summer Session 2 starts	July 18
Field trip 2	July 21
Session 2 Completion Ceremony	July 28
Session 2 Dormitory closes	July 29

\* ISP participants must take part in registration and orientation at the beginning of the program.

> **Field Trip** ISP participants and Konkuk University students will go on a cultural field trip during the program. The field trip will not only allow students to gain a deeper understanding of the past and present of Korea, but will also enable them to engage with participants from other countries while enjoying exciting and fun outdoor programs.

> **Weekend Programs & Cultural Programs** International Student Volunteers at KU, also known as Student Buddies, plan culturally unique and fun activities for your weekends and evenings! ISP participants can sign up and join the activities which are available almost every day throughout the two weeks.

- Tae Kwon Do (Korean martial arts) class
- Traditional Korean arts and crafts
- Seoul city tour and museum tours
- Excursions to historical and beautiful scenic sights in Korea
- Chance to enjoy local entertainment

## Academic Courses

Konkuk ISP offers humanity and business courses for the 2017 session. All courses are taught in English and most credits can be transferred to your home institution. Each credit is equivalent to 15 to 16 hours of classes, and students can take up to 3-6 credits for each course. Please refer to the 2017 ISP course list below. The finalized course syllabi will be available in early March on the 2017 KU ISP website (<http://summer.konkuk.ac.kr>).

- > History, culture and society of Korea
- > IT business and international marketing strategy of Korea
- > Korean language class

## Credit Transfer and Transcript

At the student's request, a certified transcript will be sent to the student's home institution soon after the completion of the program. While most partner institutions accept Konkuk's credits and grades, students are advised to confirm with their home institutions prior to application.

## How to Apply

All applicants should be enrolled in an accredited college or university and must be able to take college-level courses in English. We require students from non-English-speaking countries to demonstrate that their spoken and written English are adequate for the program as follows.

- Substantial education—minimum of two years—conducted in English
- Minimum score of 80 in TOEFL iBT or 6.0 in IELTS

Please consult with the study abroad advisor at your home institution to find out if you are required to demonstrate your English proficiency.



## Costs

### [General Students]

Payments	Amount	Deadline
Application fee	KRW 100,000	With the application
Program fee (tuition, field trips, cultural programs)	KRW 1,200,000 (2 weeks) KRW 1,500,000 (4 weeks)	Before May 31

### [Partner University Students]

Payments	Amount	Deadline
Application fee	KRW 100,000	With the application
Program fee (tuition, field trips, cultural programs)	KRW 800,000 (2 weeks) KRW 1,000,000 (4 weeks)	Before May 31

### [Exchange Students from Partner Universities]

Payments	Amount	Deadline
Application fee	KRW 100,000	With the application
Program fee (field trips, cultural programs)	KRW 200,000 (2 weeks)	Before May 31
* Tuition is waived for exchange students	KRW 300,000 (4 weeks)	

Please consult with the study abroad advisor at your home institution to find out if you can apply as an exchange student.

### [Optional Costs]

Payments	Amount	Deadline
Housing for 2 weeks	KRW 380,000	Upon registration
Housing for 4 weeks	KRW 770,000	Upon registration

### [Payment Information]

Bank	Beneficiary	Account No.
Shinhan Bank	Konkuk University	56100396041080
		Swift Code SHBKCRSE

\* The application fee must be wired in Korean Won in the exact amount to the account above with the name of the applicant by the deadline. Please pay all bank transaction fees before the transfer in order to make the payment complete. Any difference in amount due to international transfer charges or exchange rates must be paid during registration at the beginning of the program.

\* Deadline for application and application fee: April 30, 2017

\* Deadline for program fee: May 31, 2017



## Required Documents for Application

Applicants should apply and send the following document by e-mail to [intl\\_programs@konkuk.ac.kr](mailto:intl_programs@konkuk.ac.kr):

1. Completed application form
2. Academic transcript from home institution (in English)
3. One passport photograph
4. Copy of international health insurance with coverage in Korea
5. Application fee of KRW 100,000: non-refundable and must be wired with the application form

## Room & Board

<http://kulhouse.konkuk.ac.kr>

All ISP participants will be guaranteed a double occupancy room in KU:L House upon request. This modern dormitory is located at the center of the campus and overlooks the picturesque Il-gam Lake. Each air-conditioned room with a private bathroom is completely furnished with two single beds, including bed sheets and pillows, as well as desks, chairs, lamps, and wardrobes. Telephones and free WiFi are provided. In addition, various communal facilities are available for the residents' convenience, including a lounge, laundry room, 24-hour convenience store, etc. Students may purchase meal coupons to eat at the main student cafeteria or the student cafeteria located in KU:L House.

With a small fee of \$10, students can use the gym and/or take yoga or K-pop dance classes.

On-campus housing is optional and those who wish to have cooking facilities because of special dietary needs should find alternative housing, i.e. guest houses, during the program.

## Campus Life

The entire Konkuk community feels safe on campus thanks to the dedication of the security guards, campus policemen as well as student volunteers. Fifteen emergency-call boxes are strategically located across the campus to provide a direct line to the campus police 24 hours a day. The university hospital is located on campus and a post office and a bank with a global ATM and money exchange services are available at the Student Union Building. Through the Office of International Programs, Konkuk University offers customized services, including a student volunteer program through which current KU students assist foreign exchange students in settling down.



## KU:L House

Konkuk University's on-campus residence halls are collectively called KU:L House, where KU:L stands for "KU Leaders." Opened in 2006 with four main residence halls, it can accommodate up to 3,000 students, the highest number among universities in Seoul.



## Support services

The Office of International Programs offers a wide range of support services for ISP students, including

- > Pre-arrival information
- > Airport pick-up
- > Orientation program
- > International Student Buddy
- > Academic support

## Visa

Upon acceptance to the program, applicants will be issued an acceptance letter from Konkuk University. All applicants must submit this letter along with other documents required by the Korean embassy or consulate in their respective countries in order to obtain a C-3 visa. Applicants from countries with Visa Waiver Agreements with the Republic of Korea may enter without a visa. Please refer to the Korean Immigration Bureau at <http://www.hikorea.go.kr/>





# Discover Konkuk University

## Prepare for Your Future

Established in 1931, Konkuk University (KU) is one of South Korea's leading private universities among the country's 370 higher education institutions. KU has two campuses—the main campus in Seoul and the GLOCAL campus in Chungju—with 21,600 undergraduate and 4,000 graduate students. The university is particularly known for its art and design, biomedicine, business administration, real estate studies, and veterinary medicine departments. With some of the nation's top academic programs and distinguished professors, KU can help you achieve your goals.

## Student Life in a Vibrant City

Konkuk's main campus is located in the heart of Seoul, the capital of South Korea. It is just steps away from the Konkuk University subway station, which is serviced by two lines—Line 2 (green) and Line 7 (olive). Line 2 circulates downtown Seoul and offers easy access to almost anywhere in the city, all within one hour. Also nearby the campus is a large shopping mall with a Lotte Department Store, multiplex, and hundreds of cafes and restaurants. Students can leisurely walk over to the Han River Park to bike, swim, and have a picnic as well.

## Safe and Friendly Campus

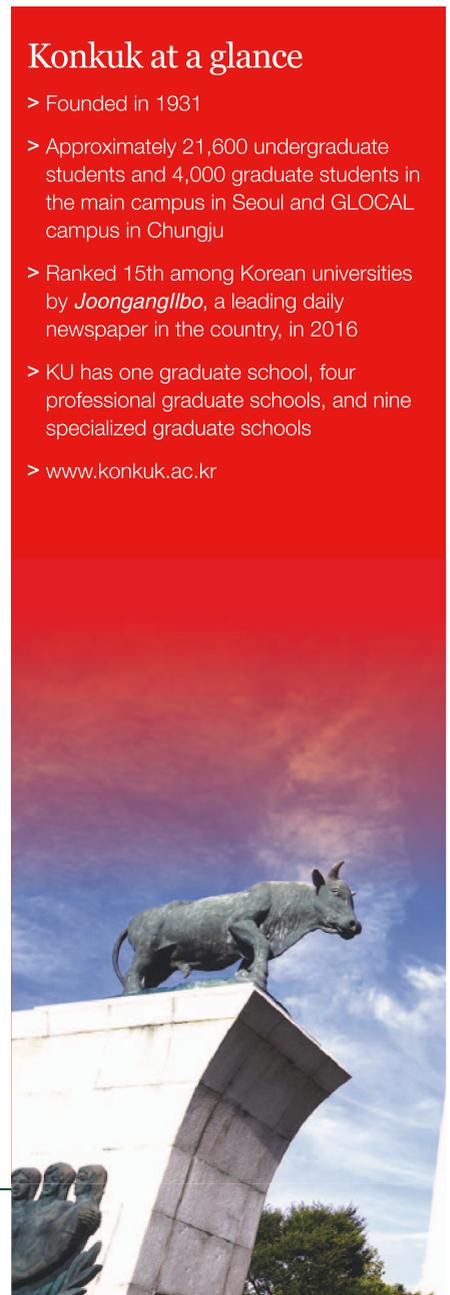
Seoul is a safe city by global standards, and dedicated campus policemen, security guards as well as student volunteers also serve the Konkuk community. For emergencies, 15 call boxes are strategically located to provide direct lines to the campus police. KU is also a diverse, multicultural institution with the Office of International Affairs offering customized services to foreign students. Through a volunteer program, current KU students assist foreign students in settling down.

## Global Partnerships

As of October 2016, KU has entered into partnerships with 481 institutions in 60 countries. Through the partnerships, an increasing number of dual-degree programs, exchange programs, language courses, and short-term programs are becoming available to both KU and foreign students. A total of 840 Konkuk students studied abroad in 2016, and 1,162 foreign students were registered at KU during the fall semester.

## Konkuk at a glance

- > Founded in 1931
- > Approximately 21,600 undergraduate students and 4,000 graduate students in the main campus in Seoul and GLOCAL campus in Chungju
- > Ranked 15th among Korean universities by *JoongAngIlbo*, a leading daily newspaper in the country, in 2016
- > KU has one graduate school, four professional graduate schools, and nine specialized graduate schools
- > [www.konkuk.ac.kr](http://www.konkuk.ac.kr)





# ISP@Konkuk University

Konkuk University's main campus is located in the southeastern part of Seoul near the Han River. The university is easily accessible from Incheon International Airport and downtown Seoul by public transportation.

> **Field trip and cultural programs to experience the best of old and new:**

While Seoul is recognized as one of the most wired and technology-forward cities in the world, you can also encounter fragments of its past, such as palaces, temples, and traditional wooden homes, throughout the city's skyscrapers.

> **Korean popular culture and K-pop:** The so-called "Korean wave" brought Korean music, films, and TV shows to the world. If you are a fan, you can visit filming locations from your favorite movie or TV show, take K-pop singing and dancing classes, or even spot a celebrity on the streets.

> **Shopping:** Popular destinations for shopping include Insadong for traditional handicrafts and souvenirs, Dongdaemun market for clothing, and Myeong-dong.

> **Chance to explore the local food scene:**

ISP students will have a chance to explore the local food scene as Konkuk's campus is surrounded by hundreds of local restaurants and cafes. There are also plenty of vendors selling snacks on street corners.

> **Feel the excitement of a 24-hour city:**

Seoul is truly a city that never sleeps. Koreans' penchant for working long hours contributed to the country's economic transformation known as "the miracle on the Han River" as well as numerous establishments opened around the clock, including restaurants, cafes, spas, theaters and shopping malls.

## Useful Websites

<http://www.visitseoul.net/>

<http://www.visitkorea.or.kr/>

## Seoul at a glance

- > Population: 10.2 million (270,000 foreign residents) in 2015
- > Climate: Continental/subtropical climate with four distinct seasons
- > One of the "52 Places to Go in 2015" by *The New York Times*
- > Ranked #3 in "Best Student Cities in Asia 2015" by QS

## Why students love Konkuk's neighborhood

- > Easy access to anywhere in Seoul with two subway lines
- > Plenty of restaurants and cafes nearby
- > Star City Mall, which has a Lotte department store, multiplex cinema, bookstore, grocery store, restaurants and cafes, in walking distance
- > Rodeo Street with 60 or so stores selling clothing and sporting goods at discount prices
- > Chinatown with restaurants and shops run by Chinese immigrants
- > Outdoor activities at Children's Grand Park and Ttukseom Hangang Park

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