YONSEI UNIVERSITY
OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Factsheet for Fall 2024

Exchange Student Program

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STUDY OPTIONS FOR SUMMER & WINTER

Yonsei International Summer School (YISS)	http://summer.yonsei.ac.kr/ summer@yonsei.ac.kr T. 82-2-2123-3535
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ELIGIBILITY - http://oia.yonsei.ac.kr/intstd/exApp.asp

Semester Fulfillment	- This program is open to foreign Undergraduate/Bachelor's Degree level (≠Associate Degree) students who are currently enrolled to their home universities outside of Korea as full-time students, and have completed **two (2) semesters (or the equivalent) BEFORE the nomination / application period.**
	
	- For Undergraduate/Bachelor's Degree level transfer students or Graduate/Master's Degree level students, **a minimum of one semester's results from the <u>CURRENT</u> degree program** must appear on their official transcripts.
	
	  * The official transcript uploaded must show average grades obtained to this date. **It must include <u>all of the completed semesters results,</u>** not just limited to the student's most recent study year.
	  * It must be in English, signed or stamped by home university (Digital signature is accepted).

GPA	- Minimum GPA for Application: **CGPA 2.5 on a 4.0 scale** (no other grade scales will be accepted whatsoever) * If student's transcript does not show the grading in GPA out of 4.0 scale, then students MUST submit the "Confirmation of Student Information Form" (downloadable from our application system) additionally. The form must be signed by the coordinator at their home university and the official or internal grading conversion table of their home university must be attached together.

Language Proficiency
All tests **must have been taken within 2 years** of the start date of the semester.
	Either English **OR** Korean proficiency proof below is required.
	1) English: Either one of the followings is accepted.
	  - TOEFL iBT or iBT Home Edition 79 (ITP or MyBest score is NOT accepted)
	  - IELTS 6.5
	  - Cambridge English Exam B2 First (FCE) ~ C2 Proficiency (CPE)
	
	2) Korean: Either one of the followings is accepted.
	  - KLAT level 4
	  - TOPIK level 4
	  - An assessment report by a professor
	
	*Exception:
	1) A national from majority native English speaking countries (Americas, United Kingdom, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland): Passport is required.
	2) Current home university is in majority native English speaking countries (Americas, United Kingdom, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland): N/A, but it must be specified in the transcript or Certificate of Enrollment.
	3) Current degree program is held 100% English: Home university letter is required.

APPLICATION

Online Nomination	Home institution coordinator must submit an online nomination via Yonsei application portal. (Email nomination is NOT accepted) **Deadlines:** **Spring Semester (March~):** September 1 ~ October 15 **Fall Semester (September~):** March 1 ~ April 15
Online Application	Once nomination is completed, each student will receive an e-mail with access information about the online application. **Deadlines:** **Spring Semester (March~):** September 1 ~ October 31 **Fall Semester (September~):** March 1 ~ April 30
Supporting Documents	**To be uploaded online at SAY application website** 1. Official e-Transcript(s) **- For non-OECD country nationals**, authentication like Apostille or Korean embassy/consulate legalization is additionally needed on this document[*] (OECD member countries) 2. Official Proof of Language Proficiency [*] 3. ID Photo (for student ID card) 4. Photocopy of the ID page of Passport 5. Official e-Bank/Financial Statement [*] 6. Study Plan 7. Proof of Health Insurance (may be submitted after admission confirmation) **[For non-OECD country nationals ONLY]** **To be additionally submitted by post mail (hard copies required)** **- Apostilled or Authenticated/Legalized Official e-Transcript(s)** [*] **(*) We do NOT accept screenshots or unofficial copies. In case of an Apostille or Authenticated/Legalized Official e-Transcript(s), please prepare TWO copies;** one copy for us and one copy for the embassy if required.
Admission Result	**- Spring Semester (March~) admission**: by mid-December **- Fall Semester (September~) admission**: by mid-June

ACADEMICS

Academic Calendar (Tentative)		

	Spring 2024	Fall 2024
Expected Arrival Date	Last week of February	Last week of August
Orientation	Last week of February	Last week of August
Class Begins	March 2(tentative)	September 1(tentative)
Class Ends	June 21(tentative)	December 21(tentative)
Final Exams	June 8-21(tentative)	December 8-21(tentative)

* All dates may be subject to change. For most up-to-date, please refer to our website: http://oia.yonsei.ac.kr/intstd/exCalendar.asp

Course Load	- **Undergraduate: 9 ~ 18 credits** - **Graduate: 9 ~ 15 credits** * Above course load includes Korean Language Course (3 or 6 credits)

Available Courses/Faculties	- Liberal Arts
	- Commerce and Economics
	- Business: Only students majoring in business at their home institution are allowed to take up to 4 business courses at Yonsei. **When completing our online application, <u>please ensure that you select 'Business Administration' as your Yonsei major.</u>**
	- Underwood International College: Common Curriculum (Sinchon Campus), UD-Comparative Literature and Culture, UD-Economics, UD-International Studies, UD-Political Science and International Relations, UD-Life Science and Biotechnology
	  * Courses offered at the Songdo Campus are unavailable.
	  * Exchange/Visiting students will be given access to UIC course enrollment on a space available basis after Yonsei students finish their enrollment.
	- Science
	- Engineering
	- Life System
	- Theology
	- Social Science
	- Human Ecology
	- Sciences in Education
	- Korean Language (KLI)
	
	* Related Link
	http://oia.yonsei.ac.kr/intstd/exCourse.asp
	https://portal.yonsei.ac.kr/ui/index.html **(Course Catalog)**
	* The course list for each term is not finalized until 2 months before each term begins so please refer to past course lists for reference.
	* Due to the nature of class, some courses offered from each faculties are not available for enrollment to exchange/visiting students.

Restricted Courses/Faculties	- Medicine / Dentistry / Nursing / Pharmacy - Music - MBA - Law - Global Leadership Division - Courses offered in Songdo International Campus * Please note that the restrictions may vary depending on the type/level of exchange. (Eg. Students coming through faculty-specific agreements may be allowed to take courses from the faculties listed above)
Grading & Academic Regulations	http://oia.yonsei.ac.kr/intstd/exRule.asp
Transcript	- **Spring Semester (March~):** issued in mid-July - **Fall Semester (September~):** issued in mid-January

HOUSING & GENERAL INFORMATION

On-campus Housing **(SK Global & Int'l House)** *Please note that SK Global & Int'l House is not handled by OIA.	- Students interested in on-campus housing are encouraged to submit a separate online housing application as soon as it opens. The provision of on-campus housing is **NOT guaranteed** due to limited spaces and rooms will be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more details, see https://dorm.yonsei.ac.kr/en/ **[Contact]** ▪ **SK Global House**: skghouse@yonsei.ac.kr ▪ **International House**: ihouse@yonsei.ac.kr
Medical Insurance	- As per our government policy, all international students will be automatically enrolled in the Korea National Health Insurance upon receiving their alien registration number after arriving in Korea. The estimated cost for this insurance is around 50-60 USD per month. However, for added safety and to ensure coverage during their initial period in Korea, international students are **required to submit their travel insurance plan separately.** The exact issuance date of the alien registration number is uncertain, as it typically takes more than two or three months to receive it after the start of the semester. Thus, having comprehensive travel insurance that covers this period is essential for the students' safety and well-being. For more information about the National Health Insurance Service(NHIS) and the application for exemption, please refer to the following link and directly contact NHIS. **Global One-Stop Service Center (yonsei.ac.kr)** - The proof of health insurance should include: ▪ Full name of the insured ▪ Period of coverage - must be valid during the stay ▪ Place of coverage - must be valid in Korea - Students will not be officially registered until proof of health insurance is uploaded on our application system.
Airport transportation	https://oia.yonsei.ac.kr/campus/trans.asp * Yonsei University does NOT provide airport pick-up service.
Estimated Budget (one semester)	Housing (SK Global House: double room) KRW 2,000,000 Meals KRW 2,000,000 Books & Supplies KRW 400,000 Transportation KRW 400,000 **TOTAL** **KRW 4,800,000** * Above costs are subject to change without notice. * On-Campus Housing: Paid directly to the Housing Office

Visa	- International students must submit the following documents to a local Korean Embassy or Consulate. Additional documents may be required depending on your place of residence.
	1. Certificate of Admission (to be sent by Yonsei)
	2. Yonsei Business Registration Certificate (to be sent by Yonsei)
	3. Passport
	4. Visa application form
	https://www.hikorea.go.kr/board/BoardApplicationListR.pt#
	* Students with foreign nationalities must apply for a D-2-6 visa (exchange student visa) to study in Korea. Studying in Korea with different types of visas (ex. tourist visa like B-1, B-2) other than D-2(Student) is STRICTLY PROHIBITED by the Korean Immigration Office. It is strictly the student's responsibility to enter Korea with a D-2(Student) visa, and our office does not hold any responsibility for problems that may arise from students entering Korea with tourist visas.
	5. Bank statement
	6. Other documents as indicated by the local consulate
	★★★[Important Note for Students with KOREAN HERITAGE]★★★
	***Applying for D-2-6 visa is NOT applicable to Korean passport holders,** as Korean citizens do not need to obtain a student visa to study in Korea.*
	*Students with Korean heritage may encounter special requirements concerning visa issuance due to dual nationality issues, particularly related to military service for male students. Below are some typical examples to consider. **Given that this process usually takes more than two or three months, it is crucial to confirm your status in advance with the Korean embassy in your region and make necessary preparations for your visa application.**
	■Example 1: If students are living abroad without registering their birth in Korea, they must first register their birth in Korea to either obtain a Korean passport or proceed with the necessary steps to renounce their Korean nationality.
	■Example 2: In cases where a parent acquires foreign citizenship without declaring a renunciation of Korean nationality, their child automatically becomes a dual citizen. Although acquiring foreign citizenship automatically results in the loss of Korean nationality, **it is essential to DECLARE a renunciation of Korean nationality to an immigration office in Korea.** Parents who give birth to children after acquiring foreign citizenship often assume that their child will not have dual citizenship. However, they later realize that this is not the case. In such situations, if a student wishes to obtain a Korean passport, parents must complete the following steps: 1) declare their loss of Korean nationality, 2) register the birth of their children in Korea.