



Ajou Exchange Program Fact Sheet

2016 Academic Year



AJOU UNIVERSITY



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Academic Information																																																								
Academic calendar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring Semester: March to Mid-June (16 weeks) (2016 Spring: the first week of March to 3rd week of June) • Fall Semester: Late August to Mid-December (16 weeks) (2016 Fall: 1st week of September to 3rd week of December) • International Summer School: July to Mid-August(6-weeks) (2016 AISS: June 28th to August 5th) • http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter20_01.jsp 																																																							
Full-time workload	<p>Exchange students usually take 3 to 6 courses per semester based on 3 credits per course. 3 credits course is consist of 48-hour workload.</p> <p>No minimum workload is required. Maximum workload allowed per semester is 19 credits (usually 6~7 courses) for undergraduates 12 credits for postgraduates</p>																																																							
Information on courses open to exchange students	<p>Consistent with its emphasis on global education, Ajou University offers a variety of courses taught in English. Currently, more than 300 students from various countries study at Ajou thorough our student exchange programs.</p> <p>Undergraduates can only choose undergraduate courses. In case students have enough knowledge to take postgraduate courses, they can take up to 6 credits from the postgraduate courses, but should go through prior approval of each professor.</p> <p>Postgraduates can choose both undergraduate and postgraduate courses up to 12 credits, but can take a maximum of 6 credits from undergraduate courses. Postgraduates applying for undergraduate courses need to check with the home university whether the credits can be transferred or not.</p> <p>* Exchange students enrolled in Master degree's program at their home university but not yet to obtain any Bachelor's degree should apply at an undergraduate student.</p>																																																							
Course list & descriptions	<p>The updated list of courses is confirmed two months before each semester. Please refer to the existing course list respectively as a reference to the courses to be offered in the same semester.</p> <p>http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter21.jsp</p>																																																							
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Academic Transcript	An Original academic transcript will be mailed to the home university within 2 months after the semester ends. If students need to have an extra academic transcript, they should directly contact Ajou Service Center.
Ajou International programs	
Website for exchange students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring/ Fall Semester http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter17.jsp International Summer School http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter24.jsp
Programs open to international students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular semester program (Spring and Fall semester) International Summer School
Type of status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exchange student from partner university or ISEP member university <ul style="list-style-type: none"> counted as 1 spot of exchange for regular semester counted as 0.5 spot of exchange for international summer school 100% tuition waiver Non-exchange student from partner university <ul style="list-style-type: none"> not counted as exchange spot 50% tuition waiver Visiting student from non-partner university <ul style="list-style-type: none"> full tuition pay
Study Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or Two semester(s)
Student withdrawal policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> before arrival at Ajou Students should inform to their home university and the home university coordinator informs student's withdrawal to Ajou. It will not be counted towards 1 spot of exchange. after arrival at Ajou In case student informs the withdrawal after arrival Ajou, it will be counted towards 1 spot of exchange.
Application procedure	
Information on application procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring/ Fall Semester http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter18.jsp Ajou International Summer School(AISS) http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter29.jsp
Nomination deadline	<p>Partner universities need to discuss the number of students before the nomination and should email the nominated students' information to Ajou. The nomination form will be emailed to partner universities in February and August.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Semester - November 1 Fall Semester - May 1 International Summer School - March 31

Application deadline	<p>Nominated students should submit an online application within in the deadline.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange for Spring Semester - October 1 to November 15 • Exchange for Fall Semester - April 1 to May 15 • International Summer School - February 1 to April 15
How to apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Application http://haksa.ajou.ac.kr/inteWeb.html • Application guideline http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter19.jsp
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange students must be nominated by the Ajou's exchange partner university or through ISEP(International Student Exchange Program). • Exchange students must be a full-time student in one of Ajou's exchange partner universities and have completed at least 1 semester of study at home university. • Students from a non-partner university should have completed at least 1 semester of study at home university and meet the requirement of above 3.0/4.5 on GPA and the language proficiency.
Language requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English: TOEFL IBT 71, CET level 6, IELTS level 6 or equivalent • If students do not have an official English score, the recommendation letter by a faculty will be needed to prove the student's English proficiency enough to cope with the curriculum conducted in English. • In case exchange students will take the courses in Korea at Ajou, they should have above level 3 on TOPIK or equivalent.
Application documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Latest Official transcript in English (upload) - Self-Introduction Essay (upload) - Passport Copy (upload) - Face photo file in JPEG format (size should be less than 200kb) - Health & Medical Clearance Form : Fill out the form and upload - Bachelor's degree certificate (for postgraduates only) • Students applying as a postgraduate should submit the proof of the Bachelor degree at the point of application. • Individual applicants from a non-partner university should pay the application fee. <p><u>NO MAILING of original documents is required.</u></p>
Admission package delivery date to home university	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall semester students : At the end of June • Spring semester students : At the end of December

Information on program

Services offered to exchange students

- Airport pick-up
- Orientation, welcome party, farewell ceremony
- Cultural field trips, visit to global companies in Korea
- Buddy program
- Traditional university festival

Information on Accommodation

All incoming exchange student can apply for the on-campus housing, but it shall not be guaranteed. In the past, almost 100% of exchange students stayed on-campus.

- Types of on-campus housing at Ajou for exchange students.
- International Dormitory (opening in Spring 2015): 2-person bedroom
* shared kitchen and bathroom

- Housing Fee (for 2015 academic year)

Dormitory Type	Bedroom Type	Spring/Fall semester		Vacation (Summer/Winter)	
		KRW	USD (Approx.)	KRW	USD (Approx.)
Int'l Dormitory	2-person	1,12,000	1,120	680,000	680

* The above costs are based on the 2015 academic calendar and are subject to change

- Information on housing
http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter07_01.jsp

Tuition

Exchange students pay tuition to their home institutions and tuition is waived at Ajou University. However, non-exchange students from partner universities, visiting students and students who apply independently (non-sister university / non-ISEP students) should pay tuition fee directly to Ajou University.

Item	Fee (USD) / Semester (Approx.)
Tuition	\$3,600 ~ \$4,400

Estimated costs for one semester stay

The Estimated Budget for one semester (16 weeks) at the Ajou University is :

Items	Fee (USD) / Semester (Approx.)
On-campus Housing	\$1,120 (2 bed room)
Living Expenses (Meals etc.)	\$400 * 4months = \$1,600
Student Insurance	\$60
Student support (book, etc.)	\$300
Total	\$3,080

※ The above costs are a general guideline for estimation only and are subject to change. Please refer the website at
<http://www.ajou.ac.kr/en/international/inter23.jsp>

Visa requirements

Students need to obtain the **D-2 Visa** with the admission and invitation letter which will be issued by Ajou.

Alien Registration

All students who stay in Korea for more than 90 days must apply for the alien registration card within 90 days of entry. It usually takes 3-4 weeks for the card to be issued.

	On-campus immigration service will be provided for one day in the beginning of the semester for all new foreign students.
Insurance requirements	We request Health Insurance for exchanges students during staying in Korea. Students can purchase health insurance from their home countries, or they can purchase it through the Office of International Affairs (OIA) at Ajou. Student should submit a copy of their insurance before or upon arrival.
Health Check-up	<p>All students have been requested to submit the health and medical clearance form with their online applications as part of the required documents.</p> <p>According to government regulation, students from certain designated countries will need to get re-tested for tuberculosis at the district public health center in Korea upon arrival.</p> <p>The designated countries are: <i>China, Sri Lanka, Russia, Uzbekistan, Thailand, Vietnam, India, Nepal, Indonesia, Pakistan, Mongolia, Bangladesh, the Philippines, Myanmar, Cambodia, and Malaysia.</i></p>
Orientation	<p>All international students are required to attend the orientation. During the orientation, important information such as academic schedule, alien registration, health insurance and tips for living in Korea will be introduced to prepare students for life in Korea. A campus tour and welcoming reception will follow the orientation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Tentative) Orientation schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spring 2016 semester : February 25 and 26, 2016 - Fall 2016 semester : August 25 and 26, 2016
Meals and Food	Students can buy various types of meals on and off-campus, and also cook some instant snacks in the shared kitchen of the dormitory. Students usually use the kitchen to cook noodles, toast, and small snacks or to keep their own food in the communal refrigerator. Normal meal prices range from 3,500 won to 5,000 won (approx. US\$ 3~5) per meal.
Opening a bank account	<p>It's optional. If students would like to open a bank account in Korea, they will need to bring a home country ID card such as residential identification or driver's license and/or a passport and Ajou student ID card.</p> <p>ISEP students should open a bank account in Korea to receive the stipend.</p>
Other important information	Every fall semester, there is Ajou International Day festival where students present their culture and food, and introduce their school to Ajou. It's a good idea for students to bring traditional displays and costumes to wear to the festival.

Academic Calendar for Exchange students

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Spring 2015 Semester

• Course registration	Feb 16-17
• Dormitory Opening	Feb 24
• Orientation (Mandatory)	Feb 26-27
• Classes Begin	Mar 2
• Course Change	Mar 2-3
• Course Drop	Mar 19-20
• Mid-term Exam	Apr 20-24
• Final Exam	Jun 15-19
• End of Spring Semester	Jun 19
• Dormitory Move-out	Jun 20

Fall 2015 Semester

• Course registration	Middle of August (To be noticed)
• Dormitory Opening	Aug 25
• Orientation (Mandatory)	Aug 27-28
• Classes Begin	Aug 31
• Course Change	Aug 31 – Sept 1 (Tentative)
• Course Drop	Sept 17-18
• Mid-term Exam	Oct 19-23
• Final Exam	Dec 14-18
• End of the Fall Semester	Dec 18
• Dormitory Moving-out	Dec 19

Korean National Holidays in 2015

Jan 1	Solar New Year's Day	Aug 15	Liberation Day
Feb 18-20	Lunar New Year's Day	Sept 26-29	Chuseok(Thanksgiving Day)
March 1	Independence Movement Day	Oct 3	National Foundation Day
May 5	Children's Day	Oct 9	Hangul Proclamation Day
May 25	Buddha's Birthday	Dec 25	Christmas
June 6	Memorial's Day		

* The academic calendar for 2016 will be noticed on November at Ajou website.