

SOGANG UNIVERSITY EXCHANGE PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET AY 2025/2026

General Information			
Office	Office of International Affairs (OIA)		
Websites	University <u>https://www.sogang.ac.kr/en</u> OIA <u>http://oia.sogang.ac.kr</u> Nomination/application platform <u>http://inbound.sogang.ac.kr/</u>		
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Academic Calendar (Korean academic year starts in March – making Fall the 2 nd semester)				
	Fall Semester (Semester 2 in Korea)	Spring Semester (Semester 1 in Korea)		
Calendar link	https://www.sogang.ac.kr/en/academic-support/calendar			
Semester dates	Sep 1 – Dec 20 Mar 2 (confirmed) – Jun 20 (TBA)			
Recommended Date of arrival	Around 7 days prior to the start of semester for Orientation			
On-campus orientation	Usually 3-4 days before the start of the semester * Depending on the level of social distancing implemented by the local government, the On-campus Orientation can be switched to online format.			

Nomination & Application Deadlines		
	For fall semester	For spring semester
Online platform opens	Early April	Early October
Nomination deadline	May 15	Nov 15
Application deadline	May 30	Nov 30

X Nomination/application must be submitted through the online platform. See next page for more information.

Eligibility	
GPA Requirement	There is no minimum GPA requirement to participate in the exchange program. However, students must meet the standards set by their home institution to study abroad. It is highly recommended that students score more than 80/100 in percentile scale.
Language Requirement	Lectures taught in EnglishStudents are not required to submit proof of English Language Proficiency. However, students from non-English speaking countries are highly recommended to have English proficiency scores equivalent to or higher than TOEFL iBT 79 (total) or IELTS 6.5.Lectures taught in KoreanStudents are not required to submit proof of Korean Language proficiency. However, it is highly recommended that students have Korean Proficiency equivalent to or higher than TOPIK level 4 in order to take courses conducted in Korean.
Nomination	& Application Procedure
Nomination	Students must be officially nominated by their home institutions in order to gain access to the online platform for application. For this, each partner institution will be given a user ID and password for the <u>Sogang's online platform</u> . After the nomination has been made, students will receive detailed instructions regarding application procedures, as well as the log-in information for the online application platform. Dear partners, nominations sent by e-mail cannot be accepted. Please formally nominate the students through the online platform.
Application	 When officially nominated by their home institutions, nominees will be given access to Sogang's application system. Students must complete the online application form and submit the required documents within the application deadline. Late applications will not be entertained. If documents are in a language other than English or Korea, please attach a translation. Conline Submission] Required for All Applicants Copy of Passport (valid until at least 6 months after the end of exchange term) DPhoto (JPG/JPEG format, color photo taken within the last 6 months)
	 "Original" Certificate of Bank Balance: USD 5,000 per semester (USD 10,000 per year) issued within 30 days from the application deadline If submitting a guardian's statement, an additional document to prove the relationship (ex: family registration, birth certificate, etc.) is required. "Original" Academic documents (transcript or certificate of enrollment) with Apostille or Consulate Verification * Students with Chinese nationality : Academic documents issued by CHSI are required. (No need for Apostille or Consulate Verification) *Please refer to the table on the next page for more information regarding the required documents. *If applicants fail to mail in the documents within the due date, their admission may not be

	Applicant's Nationality		
	OECD* Country	Non-OECD Country	China
Online (through the application portal)	 2) ID Photo (JPG/JPE *This will be on yo 3) Certificate of Ban *Documents prov additional docum 4) Academic Transcr 5) On-Campus Housi 6) Sogang Global Sch 	(valid until at least 6 months after the e G format, color photo taken within the our student ID card. k Balance : USD 5,000 per semester (<u>US</u> ided by direct family members or guardia hent(s) to prove the relationship can be s ript or Certificate of Enrollment ing Application Form (dormitory application holarship Form (optional) Letter for KAP200 (Intensive Korean pr	a last 6 months) <u>SD 10,000 per year</u>) ans can be accepted if ubmitted. ants only)
Post (After submitting the online application)	Not needed	 Original Academic Documents (transcript or certificate of enrollment) with Apostille or Consulate Verification Original Bank Statement minimum balance of USD 5,000 per semester (USD 10,000 per year) issued within 30 days from the application deadline If submitting a guardian's statement, an additional document to prove the relationship (ex: family registration, birth certificate, etc.) is required. Apostille / Consulate verification is not required for the bank statement 	 1) Original Academic Documents (transcript or certificate of enrollment) issued by CHSI** (No need for Apostille or Consulate Verification) **CHSI: China Credentials Verification (https://www.chsi.com.cn/) 2) Original Bank Statement - minimum balance of USD 5,000 per semester (USD 10,000 per year) - issued within 30 days from the application deadline - The account balance must remain for at least 30 days If submitting a guardian's statement, an additional document to prove the relationship (ex: family registration, birth certificate, etc. is required. Apostille / Consulate verification is not required for the bank statement

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Acceptance & Refusal		
Acceptance Package	 We will send out Acceptance Packages by e-mail for students who have completed the document submission. The Acceptance Package will include the following documents that students will need for visa application. Photocopy of Certificate of Admission Photocopy of Certificate of Business Registration (document written fully in Korean) 	
Rejection (refusal)	 Please kindly note that being nominated does not guarantee acceptance to the program. In following cases, Sogang University reserves the right to reject/refuse applicants: Applicant fails to fully submit his/her online application within the given deadline Applicant fails to mail in the original documents within the given deadline 	

Academic Informa	tion		
Level of Study	Both undergraduate and graduate levels, depending on student exchange agreement		
Course Load per Semester	 Undergraduate: 9-15 credits (minimum-maximum) Graduate: 3-12 credits (minimum-maximum) In general, courses at Sogang are three-credit courses. 1 Credit hour indicates 15 classroom hours per semester. In general, the credit conversion ratio (credit to ECTS) is 1:2 for undergraduate-level lectures and 3:8 for graduate-level lectures. (Please consult with home institution) Students are not allowed to take more than 15 credits (exception: KGP60 students). 		
Courses taught in English	 Around 15-20% of all courses in the undergraduate program are taught in English. Students can take courses across all majors with an exception to courses that are restricted to exchange students. (detailed information next page) Undergraduate students are not allowed to take graduate courses. However, graduate students are allowed to take courses in undergraduate and graduate levels. 		
Course Catalog (course list)	 <u>http://sis109.sogang.ac.kr/sap/bc/webdynpro/sap/zcmw9016?sap-language=EN#</u> 1st semester: Spring semester, 2nd semester: Fall semester (Korean academic year) Please check the box next to "Courses for Exchange Students" and click "Search". Please note that not all courses offered in English are open to exchange students. If a student is proficient in Korean, he may take courses conducted in Korean language. For these courses, do not check the box "Courses for Exchange Students". Finalized course lists for each semester will be available about a month prior to the beginning of the semester. If students need to sign their Learning Agreements before the semester begins, please refer to the course lists from the past. 		
Course Registration	 Course registration is done online, on a <u>first-come, first-served</u> basis. Specific dates for course registration will be announced to students by email. Fall semester: mid/end of July Spring semester: mid/end of January 		
Transcript	 Transcripts will be issued about a month and a half after the end of the semester. Digital version of academic transcript will be sent to the student's home university. Fall semester: early February Spring semester: early August 		
Grading System	Sogang adopts a 4.3 point grading system. Link: Recognition of Grades and Credits		

Academic Information		
Study Areas Offered to Exchange Students (Undergraduate Programs)		
College of Humanities• Korean Language & Literature • History • Philosophy • Religious Studies • Division of English • European Languages and Cultures • Chinese Culture		
College of Social Sciences	SociologyPolitical SciencePsychology	
College of Economics	• Economics	
Sogang Business School (AACSB)	Business Administration	
College of Media, Arts, and Science	 Journalism and Strategic Communication Media & Entertainment Art & Technology 	
College of Natural Sciences	 Mathematics Physics Chemistry Life Sciences 	
College of Engineering	 Electronic Engineering Computer Science and Engineering Chemical and Bio-molecular Engineering Mechanical Engineering Artificial Intelligence System Semiconductor Engineering 	
Loyola International College	 Division of Global Korean Studies Global Korean Studies, Korean as Foreign Language tracks Geppert School of International Studies International Relations, International Trade, Asia Studies tracks Division of Global Interdisciplinary Studies Global Business, Global Economics, Global Media tracks 	

- There is high demand in certain areas of study, especially in the following departments: Business Administration, Journalism, Media and Entertainment, and Art & Technology.
- Securing courses from these departments could be very competitive. Course selection is not guaranteed. <u>Therefore, it is highly advised that students be flexible with their learning agreements.</u>
- Within the College of Engineering, two departments (System Semiconductor Engineering, AI) were newly launched in academic year 2022.
- Loyola International College were newly launched in Spring 2024.

Academic Information		
Study Areas O	ffered to Exchange Students (Graduate Programs)	
Graduate School (general programs)	 Korean Language and Literature English Language and Literature German Language and Literature French Language and Literature Chinese Language, Literature and Culture History Philosophy Religious Studies Sociology Psychology Mass Communications Political Science Law Economics Business Administration Global Korean Studies Ochemistry Life Sciences Electronic Engineering Chemical and Bio-molecular Engineering Computer Science and Engineering Art & Technology Science Communication Gender Studies Southeast Asian Studies Biomedical Engineering Management of Technologies 	
Professional Graduate Schools	 Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS) Sogang Business School (AACSB) – <u>may or may not teach in English</u> Graduate School of Metaverse - Restricted Graduate School of Theology - Restricted Sogang Law School - Restricted Graduate School of MOT - Restricted 	
Special Graduate Schools	 Graduate School of Public Policy - Restricted Graduate School of Education - Restricted Graduate School of Economics - Restricted Graduate School of Mass Communication - Restricted Graduate School of Information and Technology - Restricted 	

• Some programs in the graduate school level (marked in red) are restricted to exchange students.

• From Fall 2022, the Sogang Business School paused offering courses taught in English.

Courses from the Sogang Business School (graduate level) and GSIS have a different registration system.
 * Students get approval to join the courses from the lecturers in the 1st week of the semester, instead of directly adding them using course registration portal.

Korean Language	Programs		
Overview	Exchange students may choose from three different types of Korean language programs. Nevertheless, <u>taking a Korean language course is NOT a requirement</u> – as students are able to take up to 15 credits in their areas of study.		
Program Fees	 Tuition is waived for KAP200 program if the following requirements are met: Student is majoring/minoring in Korean/Asian Studies Student submits the Recommendation Letter from a lecturer in above fields Tuition of KRW 800,000 will be charged for the optional KGP60 (evening) program. Tuition is waived for the course, "Korean Language and Culture" 		
	Korean Language for	Academic Purposes (KAP200) – 12 credits	
	Schedule	Mon-Fri (5 times a week) * 10 weeks , 200 hours per semester	
	Eligibility	Students majoring or minoring in Korean/Asian Studies	
	Levels	1-6 (1 is the lowest level; beginner)	
Intensive Korean	Class Size	Maximum 16 students per class	
Language Course (KAP200)	Syllabus	https://klec.sogang.ac.kr/?url=/main/index.php	
<u>Eligible students</u>	 student's eligibility Applicants for KAP from academic de Students who take 	udents submit during application will be used to determine the y. 2200 must submit a <u>Recommendation Letter</u> written by a professor partment related to the fields of Korea/Asia Studies. E KAP200 may register for one extra course (3 credits) from the graduate-level program.	
	Korean Language for	General Purposes (KGP60) – 3 credits	
	Schedule	Mon, Tue, Thu (3 times a week)* 10 weeks, 60 hours	
	Class Size	Around 12-16 students	
Evening Korean	Levels	1-3 (1 is the lowest level)	
	Fee	Tuition: KRW 800,000, textbook: KRW 50,000 – KRW 65,000	
(KGP60)	Credits	3 credits	
	Syllabus	https://klec.sogang.ac.kr/?url=/main/index.php	
		, entry-level Korean class offered by KLEC in the evening. ogram is not waived through the exchange student agreement.	
	Korean Language and	Culture (from the Department of Global Korean Studies)	
	Schedule	Two 75-minute meetings per week (45 hours per semester)	
	Eligibility	All students (subject to online course registration)	
	Levels	Beginner (levels 1-2), Intermediate (levels 3-4), Advanced (levels 5-6)	
Korean Language And Culture (Global Korean Studies)	Class Size	Maximum 70-80 students per class	
	Credits	3 credits	
	Department of Glo draws more focus Please kindly note and Advanced. Du	and Culture is an undergraduate-level lecture offered from the obal Korean Studies. Unlike the intensive KAP200, this 3-credit course on the cultural, societal aspects of Korea. that this lecture is divided into three levels; Beginner, Intermediate e to this arrangement, TOPIK-equivalent level (levels 1 to 6) will not e academic transcript.	

Housing			
	Gonzaga Hall (On-campus dormitory) http://gonzaga.sogang.ac.kr/home/main.jsp		
	ApplicationStudents who wish to live on-campus must apply for housing during the online application period. Students who apply for on-campus housing are required to submit a Health Report Form, officially signed or stamped by a doctor. Housing is not guaranteed due to high demand from local students.Room RatePrices in Korean Won (KRW)		
		16 weeks (Semester only)	25 weeks (Semester + vacation)
	Room	1,833,100	2,805,440
On-Campus Housing	Fees - Cleaning fee (KRW 16,500) : Paid in addition to dormitory fees, imposed on new residents only once - Deposit (KRW 100,000): Paid in addition to dormitory fees, refunded after room inspection during check-out		
	 * Prices are based on the rates from fall 2024 semester and are subject to change. * At the moment, the dorm does not offer meal plans. Room Type Double rooms only (2 students in 1 room) – if you wish to live alone, please seek off-campus housing For students who need special assistance, please reach out to Sogang OIA. Room Facilities Single bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, bathroom with a shower, air conditioner, wireless internet access, 220-volt outlets (please bring adapter for electronic appliances). * Students must bring their own beddings or purchase them locally (duvets, pillows etc.) * Students can use bedding rental service through Sogang's partner housing agents. 		
Off-campus Housing	Office of International Affairs is working with variety of housing agents in order to offer safe and affordable off-campus housing options. Students can refer to some of the links provided below to search for places to stay off-campus. 1. EnKor Sharehouse (quarantine housing also available): <u>https://stay.enkor.kr/en</u> 2. City Campus in HBC : <u>http://www.citycampus.co.kr/</u> (more rooms available in Spring)		

Estimated Cost of Living

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Below is an estimate of the cost of living in Korea. The actual cost can differ depending on the student's life style. Please note that all costs below are subject to change without prior notice.

Housing	KRW 500,000 to KRW 1,500,000 per month, depending on room type	
Meals	KRW 500,000 per month	
Transportation	KRW 70,000 per month, using public transportation (subway, bus)	
Books & Supplies	KRW 150,000 in the beginning of semester	
Miscellaneous	KRW 200,000 per month	

Visa/Immigration	
Visa to Korea	 Exchange students have to apply for a visa (D-2-6) prior to their arrival in Korea. Students need to take the documents included in their acceptance package to the local Korean Embassy or Consulate and apply for visa. Required documents for visa application Certificate of Admission Certificate of Business Registration - Sogang University Visa Application Form Additional documents may be required depending on the student's place of residence. Please contact the local Korean Embassy or Consulate and check the documents required for visa application. It is strongly recommended that students plan ahead and apply for their visa as soon as they receive their acceptance packages.
RC Registration	Upon arrival, all exchange students must apply for Residence Card(RC) Registration. All foreigners intending to stay in Korea for more than 90 days are subject to RC Registration. Sogang OIA will assist students with RC Registration when the semester begins.

Additional Information	
Insurance	 All exchange students are required to purchase a traveler's insurance that covers all medical costs, emergencies, and accidents during the period of their study at Sogang. Additionally, all exchange students are obliged to sign up for the Korean national healthcare (NHIS). This is a mandatory insurance policy required by the Korean government. The premium (price) per month is around USD 45-50. It is our policy that exchange students keep both insurances active throughout the exchange program.
Buddy Program	Sogang has a very active student organization called Hands Up for Gathering (HUG). Buddies from HUG are Sogang students who help international students adjust smoothly into the life and culture of Korea. HUG organizes different field trips, parties, Korean language tutoring, and many cultural activities. Students are automatically applied for the buddy program when submitting their online application for exchange. The buddies will start contacting the exchange students from 2 weeks before the semester starts.