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LE MOYNE COLLEGE EXCHANGE

# Sogang University

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

## DURATION OF STUDY

You can choose to study for a semester or a full year at Sogang University. The Fall Semester runs September to December and the Spring Semester runs March to June.

## GRADING SYSTEM

Sogang University utilizes a similar grading system to the US, whereby letter grades are converted to points. Grades range from A+ (4.3 grade points) to F (0 grade points).

Grade point average is calculated by dividing the total number of points by the number of credit hours.

For more information on the University's grading system, click [here](#).

## How to Apply

- Attend a Study Abroad Information Session one year before you intend to study abroad. Then, complete the **Request for Study Abroad Approval form** for at least two options.
- If approved, you will need to submit an online application and supporting documents to Sogang University, including a copy of the photo-ID page in your passport, your academic transcript, a passport-style photo, and proof of health insurance.

## Academic Information

**ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS:** The academic departments which typically offer courses taught in English each semester are listed below.

- American Cultures
- Art and Technology
- British and American Language and Literature
- Business Administration
- Chemical and Bimolecular Engineering
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Computer Engineering
- Economics
- Electronic Engineering
- Korean Studies in English
- Life Science
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- School of General Education

**COURSE SELECTION:** Students are required to complete a **Course Approval form** before submitting a course application to their study abroad institution. **Failure to complete this form may result in loss of credit.**

Students should select a minimum of **6-8 courses** and have these approved by their department chair (and/or the director of the Core program).

Generally, courses at Sogang University are worth 3 credits.



## ORIENTATION

Students are required to attend an Exchange Student Orientation which usually takes place 1-2 days before the start of the semester.

## BUDDY PROGRAM

Hands Up for Gathering (HUG) is a student organization at Sogang University which helps international students transition to life in Korea. HUG organizes field trips, parties, Korean language tutoring, and cultural activities. Students can apply for the buddy program when submitting their online application.

## Costs

**ACCOMMODATION:** International students at Sogang University are housed in [Gonzaga Hall](#), an on-campus residence hall. Facilities include a single bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, air conditioner, bathroom with shower, and internet. Students do not have access to a private kitchen.

To apply for housing, you must submit an online application and health report signed by a doctor. The cost of housing for **one semester** is approximately **\$1300**. Meal plans start at approximately **\$430 per semester**. Sogang University does not offer assistance to students who wish to live off campus.

**LIVING EXPENSES:** Sogang University estimates that students living in Seoul spend between **\$615-790 per month** on accommodation, food, transportation, books, and other personal expenses.

## Health Insurance

All exchange students are required to provide proof of health insurance. The policy must cover all medical costs, including accidents and emergencies, and be valid for the length of time you are in South Korea.

## Visa Information

Students studying at Sogang University for a period longer than 90 days are required to obtain a D-2 visa before arriving in South Korea. In order to apply for the visa, you will need to submit a visa application and fee (\$50 for a single-entry visa or \$80 for a multiple-entry visa) to the [Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in New York](#). The following documents are required to apply for a D-2 visa:

- Passport (must be valid for at least six months after the exchange period ends)
- Acceptance package from Sogang University (certificate of admission, letter of acceptance, and certificate of business registration)
- Proof of finances. Students staying for **one semester** must show proof of at least **\$6000**. Students staying for a **full year** must show proof of at least **\$10,000**.

Upon arrival in South Korea, the [Office of International Affairs](#) at Sogang University will assist you in applying for an alien registration card. The cost of registration is approximately \$10.