

## Brooklyn College – Dongguk University (Seoul, South Korea) Exchange Program

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The Brooklyn College exchange program with Dongguk University in Seoul, South Korea is open to Brooklyn College and other CUNY students. A wide range of academic coursework in English and intensive Korean language instruction are available. Participants will have the opportunity to study for a semester or year at this highly-rated private comprehensive university while paying CUNY tuition, international travel and onsite living costs. Financial aid and scholarships apply. This program is competitive and spaces are limited.

### A. Eligibility

- 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA.
- Completed 30 college credits by the semester prior to study abroad.
- Clear academic and disciplinary record.
- Acceptance as an exchange student by IEGE, Brooklyn College.

### B. IEGE Application Deadline for:

- Fall or full year: No later than April 1st
- Spring: No later than October 1st
- More information on application process is below.

### C. Dongguk University Academic Offerings

Students may apply to pursue coursework in many areas, including but not limited to:

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| • Advertising                         | • Economics             |
| • Art                                 | • Engineering           |
| • Asian Languages & Literatures       | • Film & Digital Media  |
| • Biological & Environmental Sciences | • Mathematics           |
| • Buddhist Studies                    | • Medical Biotechnology |
| • Business Administration             | • Korean Studies        |
| • Communications                      | • Political Science     |
| • Computer Science                    | • Theater               |

For more information on Dongguk University semester courses taught in English, see:  
[http://www.dongguk.edu/mbs/en/subview.jsp?id=en\\_040700000000](http://www.dongguk.edu/mbs/en/subview.jsp?id=en_040700000000)

D. **Academic Credit for Study Abroad**

Students receive credit and grades for the courses taken at Dongguk University. Exchange students must take a full-time course load of 12-18 credits; most Dongguk courses are 3 credits and equivalent to 3 Brooklyn College credits. Before going abroad, participants should obtain written approval for credit equivalencies using the IEGE Course Equivalency Form:

[http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/aca\\_international/IEGE\\_Course\\_Equivalency\\_Form.pdf](http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/aca_international/IEGE_Course_Equivalency_Form.pdf)

Participants who are not Brooklyn College students should confer with their home university's study abroad office for instructions on obtaining equivalencies.

E. **Dongguk University Academic Calendar**

Generally, you can expect the following:

- Expected date of arrival: Late August for Fall; Late February for Spring.
- Fall Courses begin end of August
- Fall exam period is mid-December
- Spring courses begin in early March
- Spring exam period is mid-June.

Specific dates and the Academic Calendar for Dongguk University:

[https://www.dongguk.edu/mbs/en/subview.jsp?id=en\\_02010000000](https://www.dongguk.edu/mbs/en/subview.jsp?id=en_02010000000)

F. **Housing at Dongguk University**

On- and off-campus housing options are available. On-campus housing in Namsan Residence dormitory is less expensive than off-campus housing and has strict rules, including curfews. For students wishing more flexible living arrangements, Dongguk University can connect students with off campus providers.

Housing website: [http://web.dongguk.ac.kr/english/main/sub\\_5\\_1.jsp](http://web.dongguk.ac.kr/english/main/sub_5_1.jsp)

Note: On-campus housing application is completed as part of the general admissions application.

G. **Scholarships and Financial Aid**

Most financial aid that a student receives for semester study at Brooklyn College can be applied to abroad exchange programs. Students should consult a Financial Aid Office advisor about how their specific financial aid package applies. Many scholarships are also available for semester study abroad. Refer to the following links for more information on available scholarships.

- Scholarship Information on the IEGE Website:
  - <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/scholarships.php>
  - [http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/aca\\_international/IEGE\\_Financial\\_Aid\\_Information.pdf](http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/aca_international/IEGE_Financial_Aid_Information.pdf)
- Brooklyn College's Office of Scholarships:  
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/about/administration/enrollment/financial/scholarships.php>.

H. **Health Insurance**

Students are required to purchase CUNY [CISI Health/Travel Insurance](#) for their entire time abroad. Follow the self-enrollment instructions and use the sponsor code provided here:

<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/safety.php>

I. **Approximate Costs For One Semester of Dongguk University Study 2017-18**

The following estimated cost breakdown is based upon Dongguk University and other estimates. Keep in mind variations in personal lifestyles and spending preferences.

	Estimated Monthly Costs (KRW)	Estimated Semester Costs (KRW)	Estimated Semester Costs (US Dollars)
Rent & Utilities 1. Shared Campus Housing 2. Private Housing	1. ₩375,000 2. ₩670,000 - ₩1,197,400	1. ₩1,500,000 2. ₩2,680,000 - ₩4,789,600	1. \$1,302 2. \$2,330 - \$4,158
Food, Laundry & Household Supplies	₩499,000	₩1,996,000	\$1,733
Mobile Phone/Internet (Wi-Fi is free on campus)	₩45,000	₩180,000	\$156
Books & Educational Supplies	--	₩150,000	\$130
Clothing & Toiletries	₩85,000	₩340,000	\$295
Local Travel	₩40,000	₩160,000	\$139
Socializing/Free Time	₩234,000	₩936,000	\$813
DU Int'l Exchange Student Fee	--	₩150,000	\$130
CUNY CISI Insurance (\$50 per month)	--	--	\$200
Student Visa & Alien Registration	--	₩81,500	\$71
Roundtrip Airfare	--	--	\$770 - \$1,800
<b>Estimated Semester Costs*</b>		<b>₩5566,500 – ₩8,856,100</b>	<b>\$5,802 - \$9,688</b>

\*Plus CUNY Tuition & Fees: <http://www2.cuny.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-college-costs/tuition-fees/>

- Currency conversion: <https://www.oanda.com/currency/converter/>-- US \$1 = 1,152 won (7/5/17).
- Cost of living estimates: <https://www.expatistan.com/cost-of-living>

J. **Student Visa Information**

A student visa for South Korea is required for study at Dongguk University for any program over 90 days. Students should initiate their visa application through the Dongguk University process, at the same time as they apply for admission as exchange students. When accepted for study, the student will receive a "Certificate for Recognition of Visa Issuance" showing Dongguk University as the sponsor. The student will include this document when applying to the South Korean consulate for the student visa. Make your consulate appointment for between 90 and 30 days before your trip, and bring all required documents:

<http://immigration.go.kr/HP/IMM80/index.do>

If you are not a U.S. citizen, please check with the embassy or consulate of your home country, as requirements and fees differ.

K. **Application Process**

There are two parts to the application process:

1. Complete and submit the online IEGE Notification of Study Abroad/Brooklyn College Study Abroad Application. Due to limited spaces, interested students should submit their applications as early as possible.  
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/StudyAbroadApplication.php>  
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/StudyAbroadApplication.php>
  - IEGE Deadlines:
    - Fall or full year: No later than April 1st
    - Spring: No later than October 1st
2. Once IEGE has nominated you to Dongguk University, you will complete an online exchange application to Dongguk University, using the following website:  
<http://diss.dongguk.edu/applyex/apply.html>
  - Dongguk University Deadlines:
    - Fall or full year: No later than June 1st
    - Spring: No later than November 15th
  - When applying to Dongguk University, you will also submit at the same time:
    - A housing application if you plan to live on-campus (see section F, above)
    - A visa application

**L. For Additional Information**

- **Brooklyn College**
  - International Education & Global Engagement: 1108 Boylan Hall; 718-951-5189;  
[iege@brooklyn.cuny.edu](mailto:iege@brooklyn.cuny.edu)  
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/internationaleducation>
  - Scholarship Office: 213 West Quad Center; 718.951.4796;  
[scholarship@brooklyn.cuny.edu](mailto:scholarship@brooklyn.cuny.edu)
  - Financial Aid Office: Lobby, West Quad Center; 718.951.5051;  
[finaid@brooklyn.cuny.edu](mailto:finaid@brooklyn.cuny.edu)
- **Dongguk University**
  - Please see Dongguk University factsheets for more information and webpage references.
  - Exchange Program:  
[http://www.dongguk.edu/mbs/en/subview.jsp?id=en\\_040301010000](http://www.dongguk.edu/mbs/en/subview.jsp?id=en_040301010000)
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- **Government of the Republic of Korea**
  - Study abroad: [www.studyinkorea.go.kr](http://www.studyinkorea.go.kr)
  - Visas: <http://immigration.go.kr/HP/IMM80/index.do>

