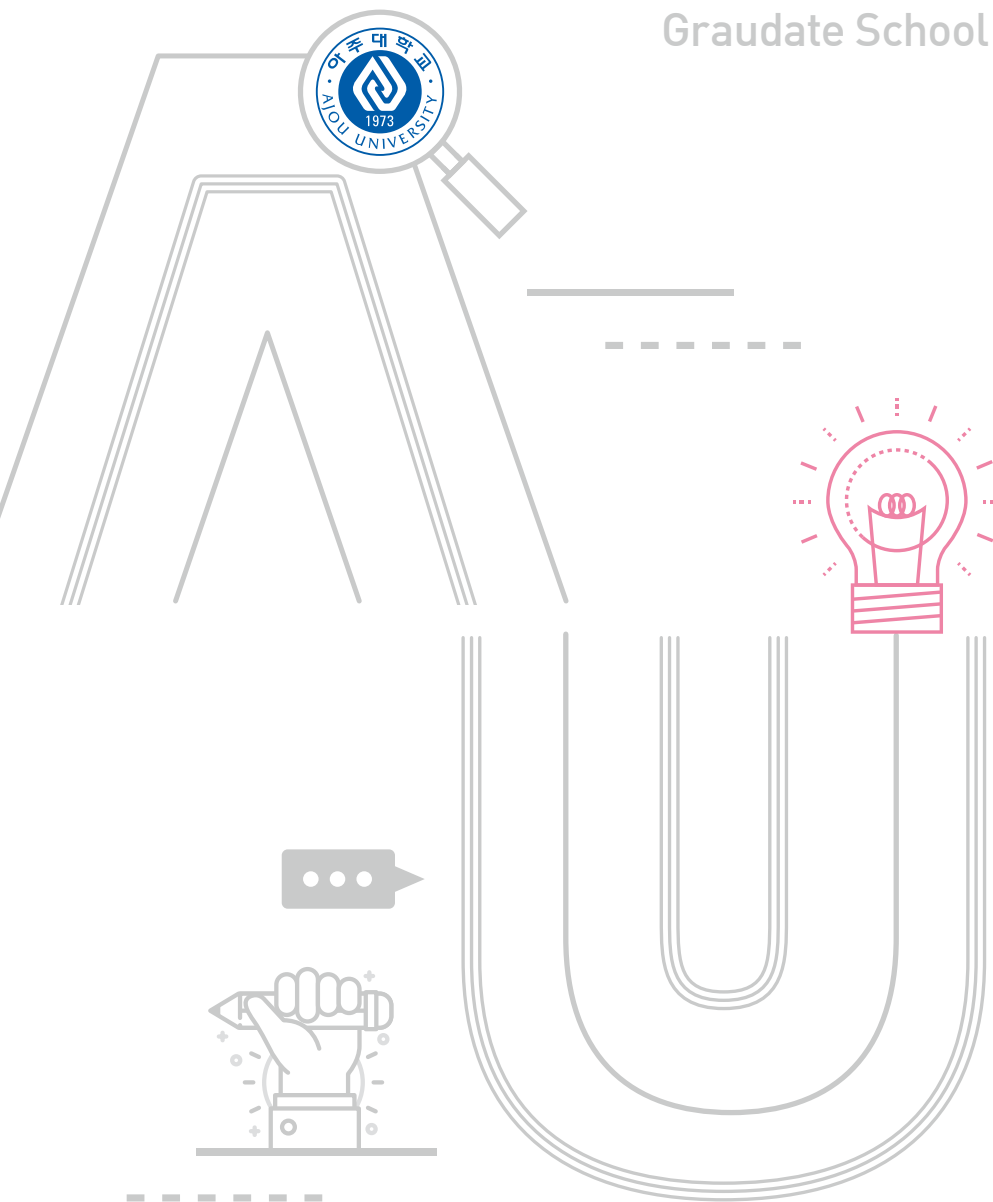


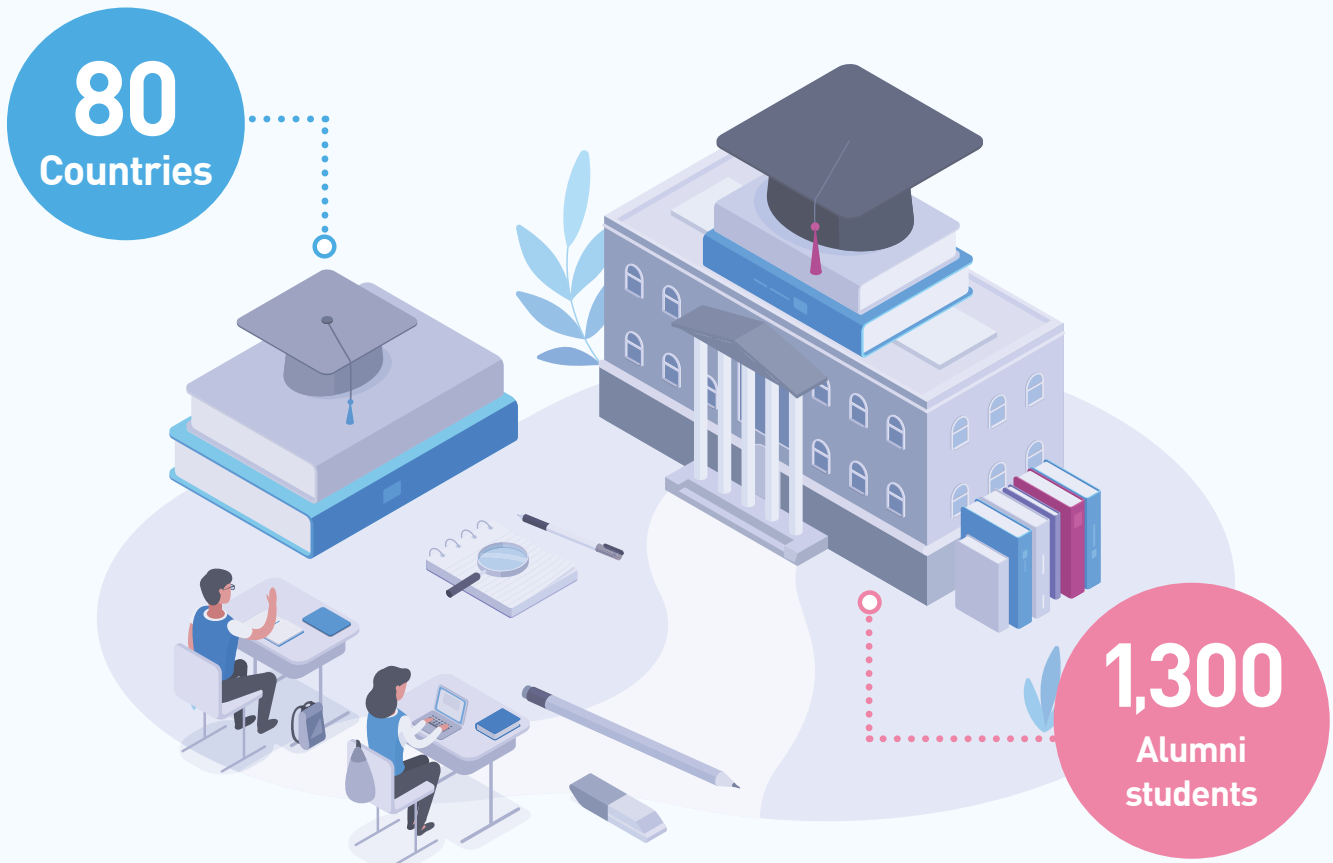
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# AJOU UNIVERSITY

Graduate School of International Studies





## INTRODUCTION of AJOU GSIS

The Graduate School of International Studies at Ajour University was established in 1996 as a pioneer of professional studies programs in Korea. The founding motivation of Ajour GSIS was to meet the growing global demand of international academic institute. At present, Ajour GSIS has over 1,300 alumni students in more than 80 countries worldwide, who play important roles at their respective positions in government agencies and global enterprises. It is Ajour GSIS's main role to educate the future leaders professionally and academically for this increasingly complex global society. Also encouraging students to explore the very best out of their time and giving opportunity to discover their talents as a global leader are Ajour GSIS's main focus.

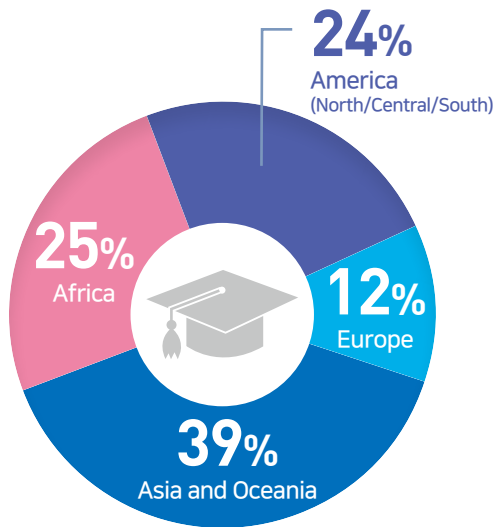
Ajour GSIS currently offers six different departments with the courses that are applicable in the real international fields; International Business, International Trade, NGO Studies, International Development and Cooperation, Energy Studies and Civil Society Studies. Also since 2004, Ajour GSIS has been funded by KOICA (Korea International Cooperation Agency) to educate government officials from developing countries in international business, international trade, NGO studies, international development and cooperation, energy studies and civil society studies.



# STRENGTHS of AJOU GSIS

## The Most Diverse International Student Population

More than 84 nationalities are represented every semester including students from Asia, Oceania, Europe, Africa and America(North/Central/South). Ajou University maintains the highest foreign student enrollment in Korea. The university's increasing diversity is the most important and enduring asset of the Graduate School of International Studies.



The Alumni Nationality(As of 2023 Spring)

### Asia and Oceania

AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH, BRUNEI, CAMBODIA, CHINA, FIJI, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, IRAQ, JORDAN, KAZAKHSTAN, KUWAIT, KYRGYZSTAN, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, MALAYSIA, MONGOLIA, MYANMAR, NEPAL, OMAN, PAKISTAN, PALESTINIAN NATIONAL AUTHORITY, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, PHILIPPINES, SOLOMON ISLANDS, SOUTH KOREA, SRI LANKA, TAJIKISTAN, TIMOR-LESTE, TURKEY, UZBEKISTAN, VIETNAM, YEMEN

### Europe

AZERBAIJAN, BULGARIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, FRANCE, GERMANY, HUNGARY, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, POLAND, ROMANIA, RUSSIA, SLOVAKIA, SPAIN, UKRAINE

### Africa

ALGERIA, CAMEROON, DR CONGO, COTE D'IVOIRE, EGYPT, ETHIOPIA, GHANA, KENYA, LIBERIA, LIBYA, MOROCCO, MOZAMBIQUE, NIGERIA, RWANDA, SENEGAL, SUDAN, TANZANIA, TUNISIA, UGANDA, ZIMBABWE

### America(North/Central/South)

BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, CHILE, COLOMBIA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, JAMAICA, MEXICO, NICARAGUA, PARAGUAY, PERU, USA, VENEZUELA

## International Scholarship Program and Opportunities

GSIS offers great scholarship benefits to its own students based on their academic performance in the previous semesters. Students who meet certain academic standards are entitled to receive an academic scholarship provided by GSIS. 80~90% of GSIS semester benefit from institutional scholarships every semester.

Scholarship Type	Benefit
Diverse Scholarship	New Student: 100% or 50% Tuition Waiver
	Scholarship A: 100% Tuition Waiver
	Scholarship B: 75% Tuition Waiver
	Scholarship C: 50% Tuition Waiver
Other Scholarship	Student Representative Scholarship
	GAZETTE Editor's Scholarship
	KOICA Scholarship
	Global Korea Scholarship(GKS)
	Ajou-Suwon Scholarship
TA Scholarship	

\* The percentage[%] above is subject to change according to the university policy.

## Diverse Student Activities

GSIS students are encouraged to participate in many academic and non-academic student activities organized by the University to broaden their views on many issues around the world. GSIS hosts International Symposiums, International Day, Field trips and organizes industrial site visits to important institutes or companies in Korea.

Students also participate in many student-run activities such as "Gazette" Publishing, campus ministries and religion, sports teams, social clubs and organizations for the art.

# DEPARTMENT

Department	Degree
International Business	Master of Business Administration in International Business Master of Business Administration(AI & IT Business) Master of Business Administration(IT Business) * GSBE DDP program only
International Trade	Master of Arts in International Trade
NGO Studies	Master of Arts in NGO Studies
International Development and Cooperation	Master of Arts in International Development and Cooperation
Energy Studies	Master of Energy Science and Policy
Civil Society Studies	Master of Arts in Social Studies(Civil Society)

\* There are no admission for the NGO studies and Energy Studies Departments in the 2024 academic year.

## QUALIFICATION FOR ADMISSION

In order to be admitted as a graduate student, **applicants are expected to have a Bachelor's degree** from an accredited institution or in the **final semester to obtain a Bachelor's degree** at an internationally recognized university or college.

Or, applicants should have an equivalent qualification to a Bachelor's degree which is approved by the Ministry of Education of their respected countries.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

### How to make the payment

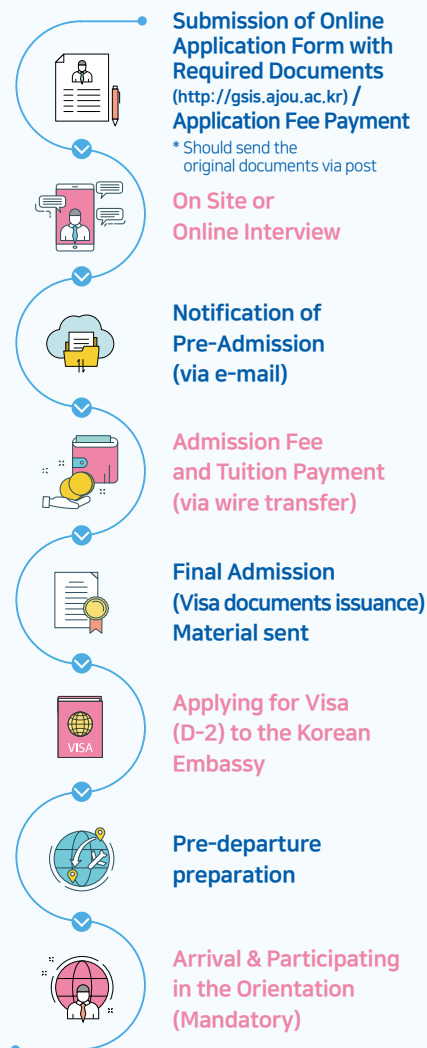
Students should WIRE-TRANSFER the fees directly to the Ajou University Bank Account the below. (Application fee is non-refundable.)

For Application Fee - USD 100 or KRW 100,000	
Bank	Kookmin Bank (Ajou University Branch)
Account No.	808490-29-000295
Account Holder	Ajou University <b>Swift Code</b> CZNBKRSEXXX
Address	206 Worldcup-ro Yeongtong-gu Suwon 16499 Rep. of Korea

For Tuition and Admission Fee	
Bank	Kookmin Bank (Ajou University Branch)
Account No.	287937-00-001374
Account Holder	Ajou University <b>Swift Code</b> CZNBKRSEXXX
Address	206 Worldcup-ro Yeongtong-gu Suwon 16499 Rep. of Korea

- When making the payment, applicants should write down his/her name in order to verify the sender. Failure to write down the applicant's full name may result in the payment not being received by the University, thus may be unable to release the final admission package to the applicant.
- In addition, applicants should pay handling fees (such as money transferring fee of 20 USD) when filling out the international money transfer form at his/her banks in his/her country. Ajou University WILL NOT pay any handling fees of the applicant's remittance and any handling fees charged to Ajou University by mistake of the applicants WILL BE CHARGED AGAIN to the applicants upon arrival to Ajou University.
- Applicants should keep in mind that it takes about 2-3 days to finally confirm the receipt of the fees at the Bank in Ajou University. Therefore, the applicants should plan to send the fees 2-3 days prior to the deadlines set up by the University.



# ADMISSION SCHEDULE

Classification .....  
 2024 Spring .....  
 2024 Fall .....

**1st Round**  
 Application Deadline  
 November 3rd, 2023  
 May 10th, 2024

**2nd Round**  
 Application Deadline  
 November 24th, 2023  
 June 3rd, 2024

**3rd Round**  
 Application Deadline  
 December 22nd, 2023  
 June 24th, 2024

## 2024 Spring Admission Schedule

Contents	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round
Application Deadline	10. 12~11. 3, 2023	11. 4~11. 24, 2023	11. 25~12. 22, 2023
Documents Review	11. 6~11. 17, 2023	11. 27~12. 8, 2023	12. 26, 2023~1. 5, 2024
Interview	11. 20~11. 24, 2023	12. 11~12. 15, 2023	1. 8~1. 12, 2024
Notification of Pre-Admission	12. 4~12. 8, 2023	1. 2~1. 5, 2024	1. 22~1. 26, 2024
Admission and Tuition Fee Payment	1. 2~1. 7, 2024	1. 8~1. 14, 2024	1. 29~2. 2, 2024
Final Admission Package Sent	1. 8~1. 19, 2024	1. 15~1. 19, 2024	2. 5~2. 16, 2024
Orientation(Mandatory)	2. 23~2. 29, 2024	2. 23~2. 29, 2024	2. 23~2. 29, 2024

## 2024 Fall Admission Schedule

Contents	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round
Application Deadline	4. 15~5. 10, 2024	5. 11~6. 3, 2024	6. 4~6. 24, 2024
Documents Review	5. 13~5. 24, 2024	6. 4~6. 14, 2024	6. 25~7. 5, 2024
Interview	5. 27~5. 31, 2024	6. 17~6. 21, 2024	7. 8~7. 12, 2024
Notification of Pre-Admission	6. 10~6. 14, 2024	7. 1~7. 5, 2024	7. 22~7. 26, 2024
Admission and Tuition Fee Payment	7. 1~7. 5, 2024	7. 8~7. 12, 2024	7. 29~8. 2, 2024
Final Admission Package Sent	7. 8~7. 19, 2024	7. 15~7. 26, 2024	8. 5~8. 16, 2024
Orientation(Mandatory)	8. 26~8. 30, 2024	8. 26~8. 30, 2024	8. 26~8. 30, 2024

\* Please find the detailed information on the website of Ajou GSIS(<http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr> >>Admissions)

## IMPORTANT NOTICE



- \* GSIS strongly recommends that all applicants submit their Online Application Form before the deadline of the 1st or 2nd round of admission.
- \* Chinese students SHOULD send all their documents by the deadline of the 1st round of admission due to visa matter.
- \* All students who declared to study at the GSIS should come to the GSIS before the Orientation date and should complete final registration upon arrival to the Ajou University. **Students who cannot come before the Orientation date should clearly inform the GSIS office of their expected arrival date via email. GSIS Admission will be withdrawn when students DO NOT come to the university 2 weeks after the semester begins.**

# REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

## Online Application



- 1 **Completion of Online Application Form (<http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr>)**  
(Required to upload the documents below when filling out the online application form)

1. **A passport-sized photo** (plain background)
2. **A copy of passport**
3. **A copy of Alien Registration Card** (only for Korean Residents)
4. **English Proficiency Test Score**

- \* Official Test of English as a foreign Language(TOEFL) or International Language Testing System(IELTS) or Equivalent English Proficiency Test Score
- \* Above TOEFL-IBT 80, IELTS 5.5
- \* Students from the countries where the official language is English should submit the Certificate that shows the medium of language was English in the undergraduate program.

5. **Statement of Purpose (SOP)**

- \* During the online application process, you will be requested to fill out the SOP form.  
(Minimum 500 words and maximum 2000 words.)

## Upload Required Documents



- 2 **Required to upload the documents below at 'Required Documents' section of Online Application**  
(Forms(Statement of Purpose(SOP) / Recommendation Letter / Agreement Form for Academic Verification) can be downloaded at <http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr>)

- \* All documents necessary for admission application should be provided with original documents via post.
- \* When original documents are written in a language other than English, applicants should submit the notarized and English translated version.
- \* All the documents are non-returnable.

1. **Undergraduate Diploma or Graduation Certificate**

- \* Should be notarized by the Korean Embassy. In apostille countries, applicants should get apostille.

2. **Official Transcript of all undergraduate work**

- \* Should be notarized by the Korean Embassy. In apostille countries, applicants should get apostille.
- \* When there is no explanation of the university's grading system on the transcript, explanation of one's home university's grading system should be included along with the transcript.

3. **[GSIS Form] Two letters of recommendation from professors at an undergraduate institute or supervisors**

- \* At least one letter must come from a professor of your undergraduate institute

4. **One original copy of Verification of Deposit(VOD) of the person responsible for students' expenses** (only under applicant OR parents' name)

- \* The minimum amount needed for a student visa for a degree: KRW 20 million(20,000,000 won) in the deposit / Personal account only(VOD of the corporate is not acceptable)

5. **Relationship Certificate** (only when the VOD is in the name of the applicant's parents)

6. **Certificate of Income** (only when the VOD is in the name of the applicant's parents)

7. **[GSIS Form] Agreement form for Academic Verification**

- \* Print out the Form and send it with applicant's handwritten signature

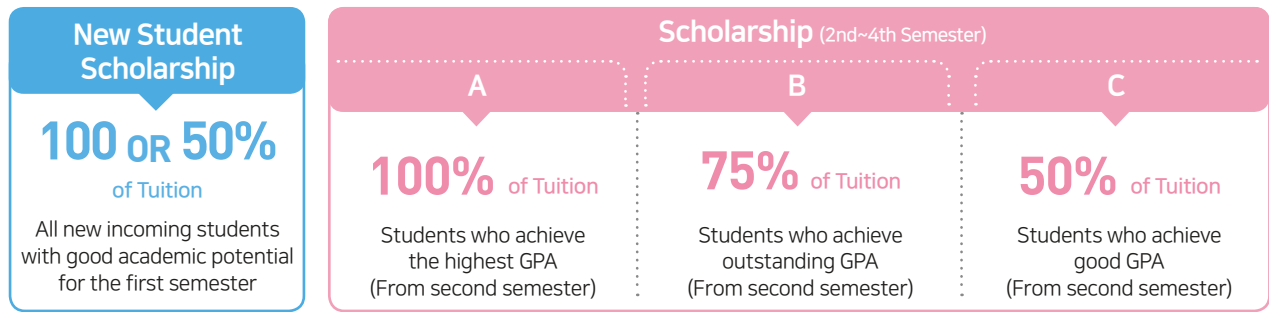
8. **Application fee of USD 100 payment receipt**

- \* When the payment is made in KRW, please pay KRW 100,000.
- \* Please remember that your admission process will only begin after the payment.
- \* For wire-transferring to Ajou University, please send the application fee to:

- **Bank** : Kookmin Bank (Ajou University Branch)
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# SCHOLARSHIP



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# HEALTH INSURANCE

In accordance with the Korean Government's regulation, holders of Study (D-2) and General Training (D-4) visa are subject to the mandatory subscription to the National Health Insurance Service (NHIS) from Feb. 28, 2021.

For more information, please visit NHIS website. (<https://www.nhis.or.kr/static/html/wbd/g/a/wbdga0101.html>)

# HOUSING INFORMATION

The dormitory at Ajou University accommodates 2,400 students in four modern buildings. International graduate students are normally placed at Hwahong hall and New international dormitory.

There are high-speed internet access available in each room along with common computer rooms, study rooms, a gymnasium, TV lounges, kitchens, laundry rooms and bathrooms.

Students who cancel without any notification will be responsible for paying a penalty fee of 25% of the dorm fee.

# ESTIMATED BUDGET

## Admission Fee and Tuition

Degree	Tuition(KRW)/ Semester	Tuition (USD)/ semester	Tuition after 50% scholarship waiver (USD)/ semester
Admission Fee (New 1st Semester Only)	KRW 900,000	USD 707	USD 707
M.B.A. (Int'l Business)	KRW 6,208,000	USD 4,871	USD 2,435
M.A (Int'l Trade, NGO Studies, IDC)	KRW 5,154,000	USD 4,044	USD 2,022
M.A (Civil Society Studies)	KRW 6,365,400	USD 4,995	USD 2,497
M. Energy Science & Policy (Energy Studies)	KRW 6,365,400	USD 4,995	USD 2,497

\* The above fee is the estimated digit for the 2023 Fall academic year in USD and could be changed.

## Estimated Budget per 1 year

Item	Estimated Budget
Tuition	\$8,100 ~ \$10,000
Accommodation	\$2500
Board	\$2,400
Textbook and Other Expense	\$1,500
Total	\$14,500 ~ \$16,400

\* The 50% scholarship waiver is not included in the above tuition fee. \* 1 USD = 1,257 KRW





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