Soongsil University
South Korea

The University
The school first opened its doors at the end of Chosun Dynasty (Daehan empire period) in October 1897. As of January 2007 Soongsil University is comprised of twelve departments of Humanities, five in Natural Sciences, one in Law, five in Social Sciences, four in Business and Economics, six in Engineering and three in Information Technology, a total of seven colleges and thirty seven departments.
http://eng.ssu.ac.kr/index.jsp

The City
Seoul is the capital of Korea with a history of 600 years. It was founded in 1394 and over the years it has become the center of administration, economic, business, culture, technology and education. The total area of Seoul is 605.52 square kilometers or 0.6 percent of the entire country and has a population of approx. 10,300,000 which is about a quarter of the total population. The number of foreign residents in Seoul is more than 130,000, from almost 100 different nationalities. They form a small global village in each part of Seoul. Seoul is truly a metropolitan city where tradition meets modernization.
http://www.visitseoul.net/english_new/index.htm

About the Program
Exchange students can study for a single semester or a full academic year.

Academic Calendar
Spring semester: March – June
Fall semester: September – December

Am I eligible for this program?
You must have a 2.5 Combined Retained GPA.

What could I study?
The language of instruction is Korean. However, each department offers three courses a semester in English. In addition, all courses offered by the School of Global Media are taught in English.

What about academic credit?
Grades received on reciprocal exchange study abroad programs through the University of Oklahoma are posted by the Office of Admissions as Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) on the OU permanent record. These grades are not factored into the participant’s Grade Point Average. Because each student is enrolled in 12 credits per semester while abroad, participants are expected to enroll in an equivalent number of credits at the host university.
Academic systems around the world vary in what equals 12 OU credits. The decision about awarding credits is made in the Office of Admissions at OU.

**Where would I live?**
Exchange students live in dormitories on campus.
Soongsil University offers scholarship to students from the University of Oklahoma that covers the expenses for accommodation and IT fees.

**How much does it cost?**
**Costs at OU:** All students participating on semester or academic year reciprocal exchange programs are enrolled at OU for 12 credits each semester abroad. Tuition and fees are billed through and paid directly to OU at the appropriate resident or non-resident rate. Fees are charged at the Arts and Sciences College rate, even if the student’s major is in a different college. All participants pay a $10/credit hour study abroad fee.
There is a $35 non-refundable application fee for study abroad.
Below are cost estimates per semester for Soongsil University:
- Housing: covered by a scholarship
- Meals: approx. $600
- Books: approx. $100
- Other: approx. $100

**How do I apply?**
Instructions for applying to any semester or academic year exchange program may be found in the “how to apply” section of our website.

For more information, please contact:
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