Visiting Student FAQ

1. How can I apply for the visiting student program?

To apply for SNU visiting student program, you have to 1) complete online application, 2) pay the application fee of 82,000 KRW, and 3) airmail the application documents (original hard copy).

1. Online application: http://goo.gl/U8j8lg

2. Application Fee (82,000KRW) Payment:

Bank Information for Wire Transfer (Visiting Student Application Fee)

A. Name: National Agricultural Cooperation Federation (농협)

B. Swift Code: NACFKRSE

C. Account No: 301-0111-5987-41

D. Holder: Office of International Affairs or 서울대학교국제협력본부

* The name of the sender should be the applicant's last name (last name and first name if possible). As such, use your own bank account or change the name of the sender to your last name if you are sending it through your parent's bank account.

3. Airmail the application documents (original hard copy) to:

Attn.: Yunju Hwang (Ms.)

Office of International Affairs, Bldg. 73(Cultural Center), Room 209 (2nd Floor),

Seoul National University, 1 Gwanak-ro, Gwanak-gu, Seoul, Korea 08826 (Tel +82-2-880-8634)

2. Why do I have to choose a preferred department during the online application process?

Once we receive all your application materials, we will forward them to the specific department that you have selected during the online application process. The department's screening committee will review your credentials on the basis of the submitted documents and will make a decision whether to accept you are not. Therefore, it is important for you to choose a college and department that most suits your academic background and study purpose.

Once accepted, you will be admitted to the college and department as a non-degree seeking visiting student, and can access modules and facilities with the same access that domestic students have.

3. How can I register for courses?

Course registration guide will be provided to the students who are offered acceptance from SNU. In general, course registration is scheduled at the beginning of August for Fall semester and at the beginning of February for Spring semester. Undergraduate students can take up to 18 credits, while graduates can take up to 12 credits.

4. Where can I find the course list and syllabi?

You can find the course list and syllabi on SNU course registration website (refer to "course search guideline"). Please note that the final course catalog is updated online every July for Fall semester and January for Spring semester. Until then, you should refer to the catalogs of the previous semesters on http://sugang.snu.ac.kr.

5. Can I take courses outside of my department?

Yes, you can take courses that are provided outside of your department. However, please note that some courses are restricted, and you may not be eligible to register.

6. How can I pay the tuition fee?

The tuition fee payment guideline will be emailed to visiting students who are offered acceptance. We do not accept tuition from a third-party institution, but students must pay the tuition following SNU's tuition payment procedure. Tuition will be paid late August for Fall semester, and late February for Spring semester. You can check the tuition fee chart on http://en.snu.ac.kr/apply/info.

7. How can I obtain academic transcripts at SNU?

Official transcripts will be ready in January for Fall semester and July for Spring semester. Visiting Students are responsible to ask for issuance themselves through the Office of Academic Affairs. The Office of International Affairs will not send out the transcripts to your home university.

8. When can I apply for a visa? (Applicable for Non-Korean citizenship holders only)

All non-Korean visiting students must apply for a student visa (D-2) after receiving the acceptance packet. You have to visit your local Korean embassy/consulate with the Certificate of Admission (CoA) which is to be enclosed in the packet along with other supporting documents. Please contact your nearest Korean Embassy/Consulate for more details on the visa application process.

9. Can I study in Korea with a tourist visa? (Applicable for Non-Korean citizenship holders only)

No, it is illegal for you to participate in as a Visiting Student with a tourist visa. You must obtain a student visa (D-2) before your arrival in Korea to study at SNU. If you have already obtained a different type of visa, you must check with the Korean Immigration Office(http://hikorea.go.kr) in advance to confirm if your existing visa is applicable for this program.

10. Can I apply for on-campus dormitory?

Visiting students cannot apply for on-campus dormitory. It is your own responsibility to obtain and maintain off-campus accommodation. Please visit the following website to have off-campus housing info.

https://oia.snu.ac.kr/page/c housing off.php

https://snugle-i.snu.ac.kr/housing/off-campus

11. Do you have a student group which helps visiting students? How can I join the group?

SNU runs SNU Buddy, a student group helping exchange and visiting students to settle. SNU Buddy organizes various events and activities throughout the semester. Visiting students offered acceptance will receive an invitation e-mail to join the SNU buddy before the beginning of the semester.