

Auslands-Studienaufenthalt an der  
**Universität: Korea National University of Arts**

Stadt/Land: Seoul, South Korea

besuchte Studienrichtung an der Gastuniversität: Visual Art / Fine art

Aufenthaltssemester / -jahr: SS 2015+WS 2015

Studienrichtung an der KUNI: Fine Art Bachelor

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Meine Erfahrungen  
(betreffend Uni, Studienrichtungen, LVs in English, Wohnungssuche, .....):

Part 1. About The Study

Courses :

The Uni has provided Korean language course and Korean history&culture course for foreigner study, which were the only class held by fully English.

The Department has also suggested a list of courses for non-Korean speaker to choose, mostly are practical classes. I took glass blowing, glass casting, Ceramic casting, Oriental Painting, all the courses were nice and good.

Officer:

The international officer is helpful and kind, she can also speak fluent English. However, for the Art Department officers, they can barely speak English, but they are super friendly and helpful.

Study Atmosphere :

Expect the exchange student, student who studying there were most the time busy and in stress. Due to straight marking scheme and tight schedule of classes, students were always under pressure. Any " F " in course may cause being "kicked out" from the uni.

Professor:

The uni has quite a lot of famous Korean artist as Professors, with high educated and experienced background. Student has chances to encounter with one of them and learn through projects in studio class. ( Not all of them can speak fluent English.)

Student:

Students were super friendly, helpful and kind. Even they were always being shy in front of English speaker, but it was very nice to be with them for knowing more about Korea and also making friends with them.

Part 2. About The Staying

Culture:

Korean culture is totally different from western culture. People are super respectful to each other, also "age" and "grade" have taken a very important part on how people should react with each other.

Accommodation:

KUNI has their own dormitory at their Campus, around 200euro for a semester. 3beds in a room with toilet, ~400feet. The dormitory is a bit old, but super close to school. The Campus is >30mins away from the City center.

Food:

Rice is the main course of the most dishes. Spicy dishes are popular there. People love drinking alcohol,

they have interesting drinking culture and they can drink a lot.

Transport:

Subway and buses are everywhere and convenient. Signs in the subway are clear. You can download mobile apps for searching your transportation. Wifi is provided in the subway as well.

Living costs:

Everything in south Korea is relatively cheaper than Austria.

Language:

For suggestion, you should learn some basic Korean before going, as most of the Korean can not understand English, also most of the stores and restaurants have no English sign.

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