Guide for GNU Student Exchange Program, Spring 2021

I. General Information

Founded in 1948, GNU, a national flagship university representing South Gyeongsang Province, has been making utmost efforts to foster creative, courteous and knowledgeable professionals equipped with an aptitude for learning and a pioneering spirit. GNU has been positioning itself as an internationally recognized institution, consisting of 14 colleges and 10 graduate schools with 811 professors, 501 administration staffs and some 23,252 students across four campuses – Gajwa and Chiram in Jinju, Tongyeong, and Changwon campus.

Introduction

GNU is considered to be one of the nation's top-tier national institutions and has a reputation for excellence in education and research – particularly in the fields of Life Sciences, Nano- & Advanced Materials engineering, Aerospace & Mechanical Systems.

GNU is located only within a one-hour distance drive from major industrial sites which leads our national economy in the 21st century - Gyeongnam Inno-city (Jinju), aviation industry complex (Jinju, Sacheon), machinery and heavy industry complex (Changwon), nano-convergence materials industry complex (Milyang), shipbuilding & ocean plant industry complex (Tongyeong), and petrochemical industrial complex (Yeosu). Located in a historical city known for education, Jinju has one of the best natural and social environments for International students who want to study in Korea.

o Founded: October 20, 1948

- o Organization: 4 campuses, 14 colleges, 10 graduate schools, 80 departments & majors
- o No. of Student Enrollment: 23,252 (including 724 international students)
- University Personnel: 1,312 (faculty (811), administration staff (501))
- O University Ranking in 2016

Facts and Figures

- 14th in Korea and 710th in the World (2016 CWTS Leiden Rankings)
- 17th in Korea and 537th in the World (2016 Center for World University Rankings)
- 20th in Korea, Asia's most innovative Univ. (2016 Reuters and Thomson Reuters)
- Specialized Fields: Life Sciences, Nano- & Advanced Materials Engineering,
 Aerospace & Mechanical Systems

Others

- One of the 9 Korean national flagship universities representing South Gyeongsang Province in Korea

	- 4 GNU scholars were recognized as among the top 1% most influential researchers in the world by Thomson Reuters – the largest number in the nation					
	from a Korean university (2016) - Renowned for internationalized campus accredited by IEQAS (International Education Quality Assurance System) since February 2013					
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Homepage	http://www.gnu.ac.kr/http://eng.gnu.ac.kr/main/http://publiceng.gnu.ac.kr/main/					
Campus Location	GNU is located in Jinju City, near the southern coast of the Republic of Korea. It takes about an hour and a half from Busan (Gimhae) International Airport (PUS) by bus and five hours from Incheon International Airport (ICN). For more details regarding our location and how to get to our campus, please refer to the website below. [location of Jinju]					
Contact Information	 Inbound (from foreign countries to Korea) Student Exchanges Ms. Jieun Byeon (international program manager) Responsible for all countries except China and Taiwan 					
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II. Applicati	UII					
Application Deadline	 Admission for 1st semester(Spring), 2021: Nov. 13, 2020 * Application deadline is subject to change. 					
Application Procedure	The application will be consulted and processed between designated staff members at the home and host institutions. Undergraduate and graduate students will officially be admitted only after being reviewed and approved by their respective department or laboratory at GNU.					

- 1) Form A: Application Form (Form Provided)
- 2) Form B: Dormitory Application Form (Form Provided)
- 3) Form C: Medical History Form (Form Provided)
- 4) Form D: Financial Information and Certification of Support (Form Provided)
- 5) Form E: Permission for the Use of Personal Information (Form Provided)
- 6) Form F: Study Plan (In English or Korean)
- 7) Form G: Self-Description (Introduction) (In English or Korean)
- 8) Form H: Letter of Recommendation from Head of the Dept. or Dean of the International Office (In English or Korean)
- 9) Official Academic Transcript (issued by the home institution) (In English or Korean)

Application Requirements

- * Graduate students must also submit the official transcript of their undergraduate
- 10) Official Certificate of Enrollment (issued by the home institution) (In English or Korean)
- 11) Copy of Passport

academic records.

12) 3.5*4.5 centimeter size, 2 photos (Please attach one photo on application form and submit one more photo to the GNU International Office upon student's arrival.)

All required documents mentioned above should be submitted to pobing6@gnu.ac.kr via email as a PDF file by the application deadline.

All application documents and materials should be submitted and managed through the international office of their home university. As we send application forms to your home university's international office, please contact the person in charge at your university to get the necessary forms.

Language Requirements

At GNU, most courses are taught in Korean (around 90%), and some taught in English (around 10%). If you are fluent in Korean, you may take any courses that you want. However, if you are not fluent in Korean, please bear in mind that your course registration can be limited. You may not find any relevant courses with your majors and even your course application can be rejected by course lecturers. So, we strongly advise you to take good care of your credits for your graduation at your home university before coming to GNU.

III. Department (Major) and Course Selection and Registration

Department (Major) Selection

We advise you to apply for the same or similar major or department at GNU as with your home university. All the colleges, departments (majors), and course information can be found at http://eng.gnu.ac.kr/sub/02_03.jsp.

After choosing a department or a major, please state the selected department (major) in the application form.

	[Colleges and Departments of GNU]					
	Colleges	Departments				
	Humanities	Language and Literature (Korean, German, Russian, French, English, Chinese), History, Philosophy, Korean Classics in Chinese, Ethnic Dance				
	Social	Economics, Social Welfare, Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Public				
	Science	Admin.				
	Natural	Physics, Life Science, Mathematics, Food and Nutrition, Clothing and				
	Science	Textiles, Information Statistics, Geology, Computer Science, Chemistry				
	Business	Management Information System, Business Administration, Intl' Trade, Accounting				
	Mechanical, Aerospace and Information Eng. (Mechanical Eng., Aerospace and Software Eng.), Nano- New Materials Eng., Industrial Systems Eng., Architectural Civil Eng., Architecture, Semiconductor Eng., Chemical Eng., Electrical Eng., Electronics Eng., Control and Instrumentation Eng.					
	Agriculture and Life	Food and Resources Economics, Forest Environmental Resources, Environmental Materials Science, Agricultural Plant Science, Animal life				
	Sciences	science, Agrochemical Food Eng., Agrosystems Eng. (Biotechnology Industry				
	Sciences	Mechanical Eng., Area-based Environmental Eng.)				
	Law	Law				
	Marine	Fisheries Management, Marine Food Science and Biotechnology, Coast Guard Systems, Mechanical Systems Eng., Energy of Mechanical Eng., Information				
	Science	and Communication Technology, Naval Architecture and Marine Eng.,				
		Marine Civil Eng., Marine Environmental Eng.				
	Students ma	y choose courses during course registration period upon arrival.				
		gistration Period for 1st semester(Spring), 2021: March 2~8, 2021				
	Upon your arrival at GNU, you may visit your department office and register for					
	•	a consultation of your department assistant.				
Course	While we	recommend exchange students to take courses among their own				
Selection	departments'	curriculum, they are also allowed to take any other preferred courses				
	in other departments. At GNU, 1 credit consists of 50 minutes coursewo					
	week for 15 weeks during the semester. To see the course lists taught in foreign					
	language, please visit at http://emc.gnu.ac.kr/data/2020_2/2020_2_emc_timetable.pdf					
	Apart from the list, there is a basic Korean course for beginners and 4 Korean courses					
	for intermediates. Also 2-3 English electives for exchange students is offered every semester					
	semester.					
Restricted	Since most	of the courses at GNU are being taught in Korean, applicants who do				
Departments		by basic knowledge in Korean may not be accepted into their chosen				
and Courses		or courses. If your admission is denied from the preferred department,				
and Courses	departments	of courses. If your admission is defined from the preferred department,				

our office will help you to be accepted into other similar majors and/or related programs.

Some departments in the College of Education may also restrict exchange students' admissions. Graduate students' admissions, especially, will be decided by the selected departments' professors. Thus, graduate students must contact us by email in advance (pobing6@gnu.ac.kr) to check possibility of your admission before their application.

IV. Academic Information

Academic Schedule

o 1st Semester (Spring Semester), 2021

- Period : March 2 ~ June 18, 2021

- Final Examination Week (2 weeks): June 7 ~ 18, 2021

- Summer Vacation : June 18, 2021 ~ August 31, 2021

1 credit consists of 50 minutes class work for 15 weeks during a semester.

Credit Awarding System

Letter marks	Numeral equivalent	Percentile
A+	4.10~4.50	95-100
Α°	3.60~4.00	90-94
B+	3.10~3.50	85-89
B°	2.60~3.00	80-84
C+	2.10~2.50	75-79
C°	1.60~2.00	70-74
D+	1.10~1.50	65-69
D°	1.00~1.08	60-64
F	Below 1.00	below 59

V. Arrival Information

Arrival and Departure Dates

o Arrival

- Spring Semester: Early February, 2021

o Departure

Spring Semester : from mid JuneFall Semester : from mid December

Students who finish final exam and satisfy all required coursework may leave any time.

Orientation

Orientation will be held for the incoming international students at the end of Feb. or early Mar. for Spring semester and end of Aug. or early Sept. in the fall semester.

Dates and detailed information regarding orientation will be provided later along with other information by email.

* Pick-up or transportation from the airport below can be changed due to Covid-19 situation. We will guide you via email once your flight schedule is fixed.

GNU provides free airport pickup for new-coming students who arrive at Busan (Gimhae) International Airport (PUS) or Jinju(Sacheon) airport. So, once you book your flight, you need to inform your flight no. arrival date and time at pobing6@gnu.ac.kr. However, if you arrive at Incheon International Airport, you will have to come to GNU on your own.

[How to get to GNU from Incheon International Airport]

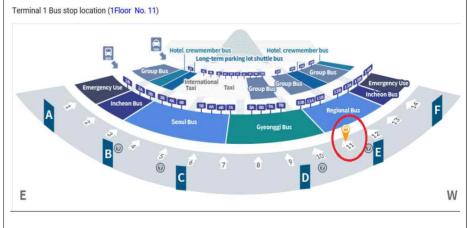
The easiest way to get to GNU from Incheon International Airport is to take an airport limousine bus to Jinju. The bus runs 10 times per day starting from 07:30 a.m. to 21:30 p.m at Incheon airport terminal 1 and 2. For timetable and location of bus station, please see below or visit at https://www.airport.kr/ap/ko/tpt/busRouteList.do.

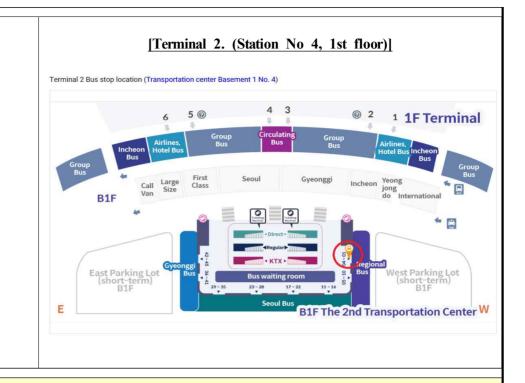
[Bus timetables & intervals]

Interval	10 times per day	Transit time	5 hours					
Туре	Cross-country	Fare	34,800 KWR					
Timetable	Departure time from Terminal 1							
	[Terminal	1. (Station No 11,	1 st floor)]					

Airport
Pick-up and
How to get
to GNU

Location of Bus Terminal





VI. Living Expenses

Expenses (per semester)

Contents	Approximate Amount (US\$)
Application and Tuition Fees	Exempt
Accommodation	US \$400 ~ US \$600 (variable depending on room types)
Meal Plan	US \$300 ~ US \$650 (variable depending on meal options)
Health Insurance	US \$250 ~ US \$300
Textbooks & Supplies	US \$100 ~ US \$150
Personal Expenses	US \$300 ~ US \$500
Total	US \$1,350 ~ US \$2,200

Dormitory Fee per semester

Domi	tory	&
Meal	Pla	ns

Classification		Doom type	Rate	
	Building No.	Room type	каце	
	6	Shared	550,310	
	70	Shared	550,310	
Male	8	Single	911,910	
мане		Shared	562,740	
	10	Single	962,760	
		Shared	621,500	
	5	Shared	536,750	
	7	Shared	550,310	
Female	9	Single	911,910	
remaie	9	Shared	562,740	
	1.1	Single	962,760	
	11	Shared	621,500	
Married			1,162,770	

* The fees are subject to change.

\mathbf{M}	eal	Pla	n

Classification	300 Meals	230 Meals	190 Meals	150 Meals	120 Meals	Single Meal Ticket
Average Daily	2.63	2.02	1.67	1.32	1.05	
Unit Cost	2,200	2,300	2,700	3,000	3,400	3,600
Total	660,000	529,000	513,000	450,000	408,000	

VII. Exchange Student Support Program

GNU Buddy Program

The GNU Buddy program encourages interaction between international and Korean students on a one-to-one basis. This program aims to promote friendship, cultural learning, and interaction through shared experiences.

ISA (International Students Association)

The ISA was established in June 30, 2010, as an autonomous student organization for the promotion of fellowship and cooperation among GNU international students. ISA organizes various special events for international students such as international students' day, sports days, field trips, etc.

- ISA Face book website: http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/gnu.isa/

Excursions and Special Events

Cultural

GNU organizes various cultural experience programs and special events for international students throughout the year. All of these excursions and events will be provided free of charge. It is a good opportunity not only to experience Korean culture, but also to have meaningful memories while studying in Korea.

VIII. Other Information

Visa Requirement

GNU will send a Letter of Admission and Certificate of Eligibility for your visa application. Exchange students should go to the Korean Embassy in their home country along with the required documents for their visa.

Health Insurance

The Korean Ministry of Education requires all international students to purchase medical insurance during their study in Korea. Without insurance, medical treatment can be extraordinarily expensive in some cases, so it is an obligatory for all exchange and dual degree students to obtain an adequate insurance at GNU. We will assist you to buy an insurance upon your arrival and it will cost approximately US\$ 60 for one semester and US \$120 for one academic year.

* The insurance policy for foreigners will be changed from March next year. So all the foreigners staying Korea for more than 6 months should be join the national health insurance which will cost more.

