

Seoul National University of Education(SNUE)

【Student Exchange 2025】

1. What is SNUE like?

Seoul National University of Education(SNUE) is an nationally-recognized university producing elementary school teachers who are well prepared for the 21st century. The academic program focuses on elementary education and offers excellent programs in the education.

2. Exchange Program Overview

SNUE's Student Exchange Program is designed to offer **one-year** study abroad program for students traveling from foreign countries to study at SNUE.

In this program SNUE students can study as exchange students at the partner university, and SNUE in return receives equal numbers of students from the partner university. The leaving SNUE student thus creates a place for an incoming foreign student, and vice versa. Students who would like to qualify for a place have to be nominated for the programme by their home university.

International students apply to spend **one year** at SNUE as an exchange student. Exchange students apply through the International office of their home campus and pay tuition to their home university. For regular exchange students, the application fee and tuition are waived.

3. Eligibility

- a minimum 2.0 out of 4.5 cumulative GPA or 70 out of 100 points equivalent at home institution and;
- a proof of Korean Language Proficiency (Minimum TOPIK Level 2)
- exchange students do not need to take any Korean language proficiency test after entering Seoul National University of Education. However, they should take Korean language courses at SNUE.

4. Accommodation

- Exchange students will be guaranteed on-campus housing at their own expenses.
- Application for on-campus housing should be made when submitting the admission application materials and payment can be made in cash upon arrival.
- Dormitory fees: approx. 1,200,000 KRW /one semester (including entrance fee 50,000 KRW & deposit 50,000 KRW). 2 people, shared bathroom & shower room

- One semester runs for 15 weeks, and approximate costs of 800,000 KRW are needed for each winter/summer break additionally.
- Dormitory fees are subject to change every semester.
- Exchange students are allowed to accommodate at double rooms.
- Meal plan from Monday through Friday are not included in the dormitory fees shown above. All meals should be purchased separately. There is a cafeteria on campus and cost per meal is approx. 4,000 KRW.

5. Estimated Cost

- Tuition

Exchange students pay tuition to their home institutions and tuition is waived at SNUE.

- Dormitory

[2 bed room]

- For spring/Fall semester 1,200,000 KRW/ 900 USD (per semester)
- For summer/winter break 800,000 KRW/ 600 USD (per semester)

* Fees are based on 2025 academic years and are subject to change without notice in advance.

* Students are to pay for the housing fees in Korean Won only upon arrival (normally during the orientation week).

- Insurance(Mandatory)

According to change the law of health insurance, international students to live in Korea are required to enroll in the national health insurance plan in Korea. It is mandatory, and the monthly payment will be around 50,000 KRW.

- Estimated Budget (1 semester)

The estimated budget for one semester (15 weeks) at the Seoul National University of Education is:

Items	Fees (USD) (approx.)
Tuition	waived
On-campus Housing	900
Meals	1,600
Books	300
Total	2,800

* The above costs are a general guideline for estimation only and are subject to change.

6. Class Information

- Course registration: You will be able to register for your courses when you arrive at SNUE.
- Minimum number of course credits per semester: 4
- Class Format: Lectures, seminars, discussions, presentations, projects
- Participation: expected through discussions and presentations
- Examinations: Midterm exam, Final exam, presentations etc. (varies among classes)
- Language of instruction: Korean (95%) and English (5%)

7. 2025 Academic Calendar(Flexible)

- Spring semester: March 4nd to June 13th, 2025
- Summer Vacation: June 16th to August 31th
- Fall semester: September 1th to December 12th
- Winter Vacation: December 15th to February 28th, 2026

8. Required Documents

All other application documents and materials should be submitted and managed through the Center for International Relations.

- Application for admission with one photo (using designated form, in English)
- Certificate of enrollment (in English)
- Latest official transcript (in English)
- A letter of recommendation by professor in applicant's major (in English)
- Certificate of Health (including tuberculosis test or chest x-ray, in English)
- Photocopy of passport
- 3 Portraits (3.5cm×4.5cm)
- **Bank statement with deposit of more than USD\$ 10,000 (in English)**
- TOPIK (Test of Proficiency in Korean) Score Certificate (above level 2)

9. Benefits for exchange students

- **Korean Language Program for foreigners**

All exchange students should take Korean Language Class employs outstanding instructors and has developed a learner-centered, up-to-date educational environment with the aim of deepening foreigners' appreciation and understanding of Korean language, culture and history.

- **University Housing**

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No bedding set (pillows & blankets) and amenities are not provided. Mattresses are provided at SNUE dormitory.

- **Exchange Student Scholarship**

A Monthly stipend is 300,000 KRW per month for 10 months. However, students cannot receive scholarship if they are out of the campus housing more than 15 days a month.

※ Scholarships are awarded only if both universities' exchange students are eligible to receive them.

- **Airport Pick-up Service**

Students arriving from overseas may use the airport pick-up service from Incheon International Airport to the Seoul National University of Education. The pick-up schedule will be provided to students later.

- **Conversation Partner Program**

To facilitate smooth adjustments to life in Korea, the Conversation Partner Program assists foreign students to further their understanding of Korean life, while supporting their language study through one-on-one exchange with SNUE students. Toward the goal of building cross-cultural awareness, this program provides support to foreign students while forming friendships beyond academic exchange.