CALL FOR NOMINATION – SPRING 2021

August 18, 2020

Warmest greetings from Seoul National University!

We are more than delighted to announce that we are opening a call for nomination for Spring 2021 Student Exchange Program. For more information, please find attached the fact sheet, **Spring 2021 Guide for the SNU Student Exchange Program**, or SNU OIA's website (http://oia.snu.ac.kr/page/exchange_program.php).

RECENT CHANGES

As previously suggested, SNU has lowered the GPA requirement (3.0/4.0) to **2.5/4.0 for undergraduate applicants**. For graduate applicants, 3.0/4.0 will remain the same. For partner universities who have difficulties gaining an accumulated GPA, we suggest the equivalent percentile rank standards as well.
We will be able to accept applicants who satisfy **either** the GPA requirement or its equivalent percentile rank.

GPA Requirement

Before	**From Fall 2020's Admission**
[All] GPA 3.0/4.0	**[Undergraduate]** GPA 2.5/4.0 (2.7/4.3) or percentile rank 83
	[Graduate] GPA 3.0/4.0 (3.3/4.3) or percentile rank 89

In addition, **one recommendation letter** that each applicant should have received from a professor from home university **will be deemed optional for all applicants, except for applicants for Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS)**. Applicants who apply for GSIS must submit one recommendation letter.

List of Required Documents

Classification	Before	**From Fall 2020's Admission**
Required to All Applicants	A. Online Application B. Certificate of Enrollment C. Official Academic Transcript D. One Letter of Recommendation E. Statement of Purpose F. Passport Copy	A. Online Application B. Certificate of Enrollment C. Official Academic Transcript D. Statement of Purpose E. Passport Copy
Additionally Required to the Following Groups	G. Portfolio (for Music, Fine Arts, Physical Education applicants only) H. Financial Certificates (for visiting applicants only) I. Application Fee (for visiting applicants only)	F. One Letter of Recommendation (optional; for GSIS applicants only) G. Portfolio (for Music, Fine Arts, Physical Education applicants only) H. Financial Certificates (for visiting applicants only) I. Application Fee (for visiting applicants only)

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NOMINATION & APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Depending on how COVID-19 situation develops, Spring 2021 operations of student exchange program may change.

1. How to Nominate?

If you have any nominee(s) for Spring 2020 or Spring 2020 - 2021, please provide us with information of your nominee student(s) via the link below no later than **October 10, 2020**.

https://forms.gle/9DUpoLTyXRUWyJD97

* **Nomination survey address has changed!** Please kindly refer to the above address.

*Please make sure your candidate(s) meet(s) the entry requirement **(both semester condition and department restrictions)** stated in the attached fact sheet. Especially, please note that we cannot accept graduate students who didn't complete at least one semester at their "graduate" program. Graduate students must be able to prove that they have completed at least one semester of the graduate program at the application stage.

** Students who have postponed their placement from either Spring 2020 or Fall 2020 to Spring 2021 must be nominated through this survey. These students must re-apply with updated documents and must go through the screening procedure again.

2. After Nomination?

Nominated student(s) will receive an application guideline, along with instructions regarding the online application process, from the coordinators at SNU Office of International Affairs (central international office), SNU.

*We are currently renovating our online application website to provide better service, and we expect the new website to be fully available in September.

3. How to Apply?

The application deadline is **October 20, 2020**. **Only the online application** will be required for the application. Please make sure that your students carefully read through the attached guideline and prepare for the application process in advance.

*GSIS applicants must have their recommendation letter be submitted to SNU coordinators in the following way:

> **Candidate(s) must submit the sealed recommendation letter to their home university exchange program coordinator so that the coordinator opens the letter and sends us its scanned copy**. We ask you to send the copy to the following persons at the Office of International Affairs, SNU:
> **Mr. Hyunjin Jo** – snu10585@snu.ac.kr

4. More Information on Course Catalog?

Students can find information on the courses that were provided in the previous semesters through our course registration website http://sugang.snu.ac.kr . Attached you can find the course search instruction as well.

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***IMPORTANT NOTES FOR AY2020/21:**

- Please make sure that applicant(s) have completed at least one semester on the current program at their application stage. This means that if the study abroad semester is applicant(s)' first semester of Master's program, they are not eligible for our program as a graduate exchange student.

- Please ensure that all your nominees read the eligibility and restrictions stated on the fact sheet thoroughly before they apply. Some departments have specific restrictions including:

  - **Starting from Spring 2020's admission**, **Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)** has decided to control the number of accepted exchange students on the **undergraduate**-level, due to lack of course capacity and placement. **Undergraduate applicants for CSE must have earned at least 15 credits in CSE-related courses (one credit corresponds to 15 lecture hours or 30 lab hours)**. This must be explicitly shown on the official transcript; if not, additional proof must be prepared by the student.

  - Considering the current lack of course capacity for exchange students, **College of Business Administration (CBA)** has decided that **from Fall 2019's admission, they will strictly control the number of accepted exchange students to CBA** and we would like to inform you that **it is more likely than the past that students who apply for CBA might get rejected during the screening procedure.** (Applying to SNU's university-wide partners only)

  - Course registration priority for some of the undergraduate Business Administration courses (See attachment, "College of Business Administration_Requisite Subject for Major") will be given to degree-seeking domestic students first, since these courses are requisite towards their graduation. Exchange students can take these courses only when there are extra spots available. Please advise your nominee(s) of this issue and make sure that they have a Plan B.

  - **Dept. of Korean History/Psychology/Statistics/Pharmacy requires applicants to provide a proof of Korean language proficiency.**

  - College of Law is NOT open to undergraduate students from Spring 2018, as the undergraduate level does not exist any longer. **Instead, School of Law, a specialized law school for graduate level students, will be open to undergraduate level students**. Please note that **these undergraduate students will be enrolled as graduate (Master's) students in SNU law school during their study. These students must be advised that the credits they take at SNU should be transferred under their current undergraduate program, not their prospective graduate program.**

  - When there are applicant(s) for Medicine/Pharmacy/Dentistry/Nursing/Music/Fine Arts/Global MBA, please let us know before you make nomination as these are relatively more restricted than the others. We will check the availability and capacity of the department in advance.

Should you have further inquiries regarding our student exchange program, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continuous support and cooperation.