

AJOU UNIVERSITY

Graduate School
of International Studies

2021
ADMISSION
GUIDE





INTRODUCTION of AJOU GSIS

The Graduate School of International Studies at Ajou University was established in 1996 as a pioneer of professional studies programs in Korea. The founding motivation of Ajou GSIS was to meet the growing global demand of international academic institute. At present, Ajou GSIS has over 1,000 alumni students in more than 77 countries worldwide, who play important roles at their respective positions in government agencies and global enterprises. It is Ajou GSIS's main role to educate the future leaders professionally and academically for this increasingly complex global society. Also encouraging students to explore the very best out of their time and giving opportunity to discover their talents as a global leader are Ajou GSIS's main focus.

Ajou GSIS has most diverse community with 30 different backgrounds and this diverse background will give you a chance to develop your communication, technology, decision making, and teamwork skills as you prepare for a career in international fields. Ajou GSIS currently offers five different majors with the courses that are applicable in the real international fields; International Business, International Trade, International Development and Cooperation, NGO Studies, and Energy Studies. Also since 2004, Ajou GSIS has been funded by the KOICA (Korea International Cooperation Agency) to educate government officials from developing countries in international business, international trade, and energy studies, and has produced around 269 graduates until today.

STRENGTHS of AJOU GSIS

The Most Diverse International Student Population

More than 60 nationalities are represented every semester including students from Asia, Oceania, Europe, Africa, and America(North/Central/South). Ajou University maintains the highest foreign student enrollment in Korea. The university's increasing diversity is the most important and enduring asset of the Graduate School of International Studies.

Asia and Oceania

AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH, CAMBODIA, CHINA, FIJI, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, IRAQ, JORDAN, KAZAKHSTAN, KUWAIT, KYRGYZSTAN, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, MALAYSIA, MONGOLIA, MYANMAR, NEPAL, OMAN, PAKISTAN, PALESTINIAN TERRITORY OCCUPIED, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, PHILIPPINES, SOLOMON ISLANDS, SOUTH KOREA, SRI LANKA, TAJIKISTAN, TIMOR-LESTE, TURKEY, UZBEKISTAN, VIETNAM, YEMEN

Europe

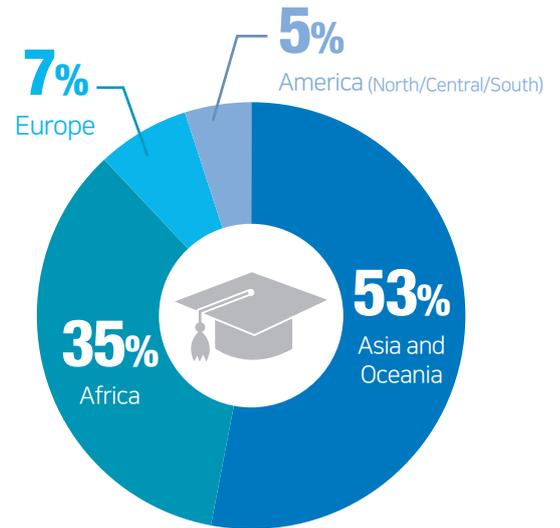
AZERBAIJAN, BULGARIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, FRANCE, HUNGARY, POLAND, ROMANIA, RUSSIA, SLOVAKIA, UKRAINE

Africa

ALGERIA, CAMEROON, CONGO, COTE D'IVOIRE, EGYPT, ETHIOPIA, GHANA, KENYA, LIBERIA, LIBYA, MOROCCO, MOZAMBIQUE, NIGERIA, RWANDA, SENEGAL, SUDAN, TANZANIA, TUNISIA, UGANDA, ZIMBABWE

America(North/Central/South)

BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, CHILE, COLOMBIA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, JAMAICA, MEXICO, PARAGUAY, PERU, USA



The Alumni Nationality (As of 2019 Spring)

International Scholarship Program and Opportunities

GSIS offers great scholarship benefits to its own students based on their academic performance in the previous semesters. Students who meet certain academic standards are entitled to receive an academic scholarship provided by GSIS. 80~90% of GSIS students benefit from institutional scholarships every semester.

Diverse Scholarship	New Student	100% or 50% Tuition Waiver	Other Scholarship	Student Representative Scholarship
	Scholarship A	100% Tuition Waiver		GAZETTE Editor's Scholarship
	Scholarship B	75% Tuition Waiver		KOICA Scholarship
	Scholarship C	50% Tuition Waiver		Korea Government Scholarship Program
			Ajou-Suwon Scholarship	
			TA Scholarship	

* The percentage(%) above is subject to change according to the university policy.

Diverse Student Activities

GSIS students are encouraged to participate in many academic and non-academic student activities organized by the University to broaden their views on many issues around the world. GSIS hosts International Symposiums, International Day, Field trips, and organizes industrial site visits to important institutes or companies in Korea.

Students also participate in many student-run activities such as "Gazette" Publishing, campus ministries and religion, sports teams, social clubs and organizations for the art.

DEPARTMENT

Department	Degree
International Business	Master of Business Administration in International Business
International Trade	Master of Arts in International Trade
NGO Studies	Master of Arts in NGO Studies
International Development and Cooperation	Master of Arts in International Development and Cooperation
Energy Studies	Master of Energy Science and Policy

QUALIFICATION FOR ADMISSION

In order to be admitted as a graduate student, applicants are expected to have a Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution or in the final semester to obtain a Bachelor's degree at an internationally recognized university or college. Or, applicants should have an equivalent qualification to a bachelor's degree which is approved by the Ministry of Education of their respected countries.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE



How to make the payment

Students should WIRE-TRANSFER the fees directly to the Ajou University Bank Account the below.

For Application Fee - USD 100	
Bank	Kookmin Bank (Ajou University Branch)
Account No.	808490-29-000295
Account Holder	Ajou University Swift Code CZNBKRSEXXX
Address	206 Worldcup-ro Yeongtong-gu Suwon 16499 Rep. of Korea

For Tuition and Admission Fee	
Bank	Kookmin Bank (Ajou University Branch)
Account No.	287937-00-001374
Account Holder	Ajou University Swift Code CZNBKRSEXXX
Address	206 Worldcup-ro Yeongtong-gu Suwon 16499 Rep. of Korea

When making the payment, applicants should write down his/her name in order to verify the sender. Failure to write down the applicant's full name may result in the payment not being received by the University, thus may be unable to release the final admission package to applicant.

In addition, applicants should pay handling fees (such as money transferring fee of 20USD) when filling out the international money transfer form at his/her banks in his/her country. Ajou University WILL NOT pay any handling fees of the applicant's remittance, and any handling fees charged to the Ajou University by mistake of the applicants WILL BE CHARGED AGAIN to the applicants upon arrival to the Ajou University. Applicants should keep in mind that it takes about 2-3 days to finally confirm the receipt of the fees at the Bank in Ajou University. Therefore, the applicants should plan to send the fees 2-3 days prior to the deadlines set up by the University.

ADMISSION SCHEDULE

Classification
 2021 Spring
 2021 Fall

1st Round
 Application Deadline
 November 13th, 2020
 May 14th, 2021

2nd Round
 Application Deadline
 December 4th, 2020
 June 4th, 2021

3rd Round
 Application Deadline
 December 24th, 2020
 June 25th, 2021

2021 Spring Admission Schedule

Contents	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round
Application Deadline	11. 13, 2020	12. 4, 2020	12. 24, 2020
Documents Review	11. 16~11. 20	12. 7~12. 11	12. 28~1. 8, 2021
Skype Interview	11. 25~11. 27	12. 16~12. 18	1. 13~1. 15, 2021
Notification of Pre-Admission	12. 7~12. 11	12. 28~12. 31	1. 20~1. 26, 2021
Admission and Tuition Fee Payment	1. 1~1. 8, 2021	1. 11~1. 15, 2021	1. 27~2. 2, 2021
Final Admission Package Sent	1. 11~1. 15, 2021	1. 18~1. 22, 2021	2. 3~2. 9, 2021
Orientation	2. 25~2. 26, 2021	2. 25~2. 26, 2021	2. 25~2. 26, 2021

2021 Fall Admission Schedule

Contents	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round
Application Deadline	5. 14, 2021	6. 4, 2021	6. 25, 2021
Documents Review	5. 17~5. 21	6. 7~6. 11	6. 28~7. 9
Skype Interview	5. 26~5. 28	6. 16~6. 18	7. 14~7. 16
Notification of Pre-Admission	6. 7~6. 11	6. 28~7. 2	7. 21~7. 27
Admission and Tuition Fee Payment	7. 1~7. 7	7. 8~7. 14	7. 28~8. 3
Final Admission Package Sent	7. 8~7. 14	7. 15~7. 21	8. 4~8. 10
Orientation	8. 26~8. 27	8. 26~8. 27	8. 26~8. 27

*Please find the detailed information on the website of Ajou GSIS(<http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr> >>Admission)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

- * GSIS strongly recommend that all applicants submit their Online Application Form before the deadline of the 1st or 2nd round of admission.
- * Chinese students SHOULD send all their documents by the deadline of the 1st round of admission due to visa matter.
- * All students who declared to study at the GSIS should come to the GSIS before the Orientation date and should complete final registration upon arrival to the Ajou University. Students who cannot come before the Orientation date should **clearly inform the GSIS office of their expected arrival date via email**. GSIS Admission will be withdrawn when students **DO NOT** come to the university 2 weeks after the semester begins.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Online Application



- 1 **Completion of Online Application Form (<http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr>)**
(Required to upload the documents below when filling out the online application form)

1. **A passport-sized photo** (plain background)
2. **A copy of passport**
3. **A copy of Alien Registration Card** (only for Korean Residents)
4. **English Proficiency Test Score**

- * Official Test of English as a foreign Language(TOEFL) or International Language Testing System(IELTS) or Equivalent English Proficiency Test Score
- * Above TOEFL-IBT 80, IELTS 5.5
- * Students from the countries where the official language is English should submit the Certificate that shows the medium of language was English in the undergraduate program.

Upload Required Documents



- 2 **Required to upload the documents below at 'Require documents' section of Online Application (Forms(Statement of Purpose(SOP) / Recommendation Letter / Agreement Form for Academic Verification) can be downloaded at <http://gsis.ajou.ac.kr>)**

- * All documents necessary for admission application should be provided with original documents via post.
- * When original documents are written in a language other than English, applicants should submit the notarized and English translated version.

1. **Undergraduate Diploma or Graduation Certificate**

- * Should be notarized by Korean Embassy. In apostille countries, applicants should get apostille.

2. **Official Transcript of all undergraduate work**

- * Should be notarized by Korean Embassy. In apostille countries, applicants should get apostille.
- * When there is no explanation of the university's grading system on the transcript, explanation of their home university's grading system should be included along with the transcript.

3. **[GSIS Form] Two letters of recommendation from professors or supervisors at an undergraduate institute**

- * At least one letter must come from a professor of your undergraduate institute

4. **[GSIS Form] Statement of Purpose (SOP)**

- * At least 2 pages

5. **One original copy of a Verification of Deposit(VOD) of the person responsible for students' expenses**

- * Should have more than 20,000 USD in the deposit

6. **Relationship Certificate** (only when the VOD is in the name of the applicant's parents or sponsor)

7. **Certificate of Income** (only for applicant's parents or sponsor)

8. **[GSIS Form] Agreement form for Academic Verification**

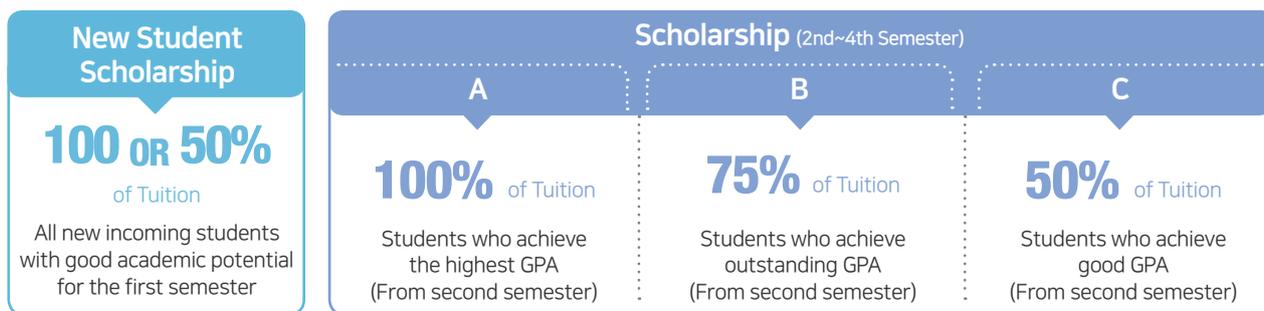
9. **Application fee of USD 100 payment receipt**

- * When the payment is made in KRW, please pay 100,000KRW.
- * Please remember that your admission process will only begin after the payment.
- * For wire-transferring to Ajou University, please send the application fee to:

- **Bank** : Kookmin Bank (Ajou University Branch)
- **Account No.** : 808490-29-000295
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- **Swift Code** : CZNBKRSEXXX
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SCHOLARSHIP



* The above percentage(%) is based on the fall semester of 2020 and is subject to change in accordance with the university policy.

HEALTH INSURANCE

In accordance with the Korean Government's regulation, holders of Study (D-2) and General Training (D-4) visa are subject to the statutory subscription to the National Health Insurance Service (NHIS) from Feb. 28, 2021.

* The aforementioned visa holders will be automatically subscribed to the NHIS from Feb. 28, 2021.

For more information, please visit NHIS website. (<https://www.nhis.or.kr/static/html/wbd/g/a/wbdga0101.html>)

HOUSING INFORMATION

The dormitory at Ajou University accommodate 2,400 students in four modern buildings. International graduate students are normally placed at Hwahong hall and New international dormitory.

There are high-speed internet access available in each room along with common computer rooms, study rooms, a gymnasium, TV lounges, kitchens, laundry rooms, and bathrooms.

Students who cancel without any notification will be responsible for paying a penalty fee of 25% of the dorm fee.

ESTIMATED BUDGET

Admission Fee and Tuition

Degree	Tuition(KRW)/Semester	Tuition (USD)/ semester	Tuition after 50% scholarship waiver (USD)/ semester
Admission Fee (1st Semester Only)	KRW 900,000	USD 768	USD 768
M.B.A. (Int'l Business)	KRW 6,028,000	USD 5,138	USD 2,569
M.A (Int'l Trade, NGO Studies, IDC)	KRW 5,004,000	USD 4,265	USD 2,133
M. Energy Science Policy (Energy Studies)	KRW 6,180,000	USD 5,267	USD 2,634

* The above fee is the estimated digit for the 2020 Fall academic year in USD and could be changed.

Estimated Budget per 1 year

Item	Estimated Budget
Tuition	\$8,600 ~ \$10,600
Accommodation	\$3,000
Board	\$2,400
Textbook and Other Expense	\$1,500
Total	\$15,500~18,000

* The 50% scholarship waiver is not included in the above tuition fee.

* 1 USD = 1,173.2 KRW



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