

2018 Bahrom International Program /BIP

Expedition and Exploration
June 26 ~ July 20, 2018



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Dean's Welcoming Message

Dear Prospective BIP Participants,

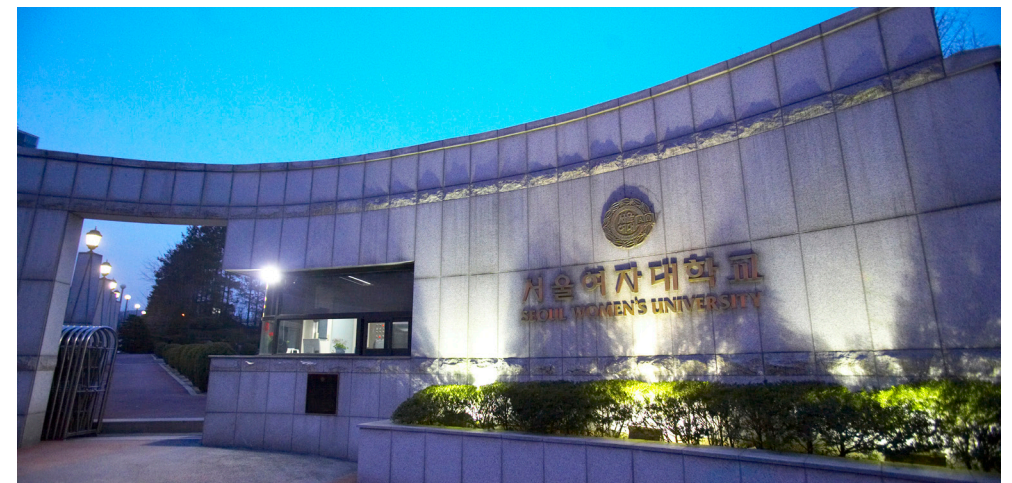
Warm greetings from Seoul Women's University in the Republic of Korea!

One of the most important goals of university education is expanding students' cultural horizons and world views. I firmly believe that the Bahrom International Program (BIP) at Seoul Women's University is one of the best programs in the nation. By taking advantage of stimulating cultural interactions with its multicultural participants, you will be able to strengthen your character and stretch your limits by taking a variety of courses and participating in a number of activities at BIP that will further your knowledge and expand your cultural horizons in different fields.

BIP's main theme this year is 'Expedition and Exploration'. At BIP you may take advantage of various programs to expand your global perspective. You can excel in your major while also broadening your experiences outside of your study area to develop new ideas and interests. You can also make it a goal to network and build relationships with a diverse group of people to learn about new viewpoints and to broaden your worldview.

BIP will provide an overwhelming number of opportunities to learn about and experience other cultures and perspectives through its variety of lecture subjects, the many exciting activities, and from the diverse participants. I hope you can develop a firm foundation for your future and start on a new path towards your future dreams through BIP in becoming a global leader. We look forward to welcoming you to BIP this summer!

Nakwon Jung, Ph.D.
Dean of the Division of International Affairs
Seoul Women's University



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About the Republic of Korea and Seoul

The Republic of Korea (South Korea) occupies the southern portion of the Korean Peninsula, which extends some 1,100 km (680 mi) from the Asian mainland.

The total population of the Republic of Korea is approximately 51,634,618 with roughly half residing in the Seoul metropolitan area. Outside of Seoul, other large and economically advanced cities such as Busan, Incheon, Daegu, Daejeon, Gwangju and Ulsan also have high population densities.

The Republic of Korea's mixed economy ranks 11th nominal and 13th purchasing power parity GDP in the world, identifying it as one of the G-20 major economies. It is a developed country with a high-income economy and is the most industrialized member country of the OECD. Many of the Republic of Korea's brands, including LG and Samsung, are internationally famous.

Seoul is the capital and largest metropolis of the Republic of Korea, forming the heart of the Seoul Capital Area. The world's 16th largest city, Seoul is the business and financial hub of the Republic of Korea. Although it accounts for only 0.6 percent of the nation's land area, 48.3 percent of the Republic of Korea's bank deposits were held in Seoul in 2003, and the city generated 23 percent of the country's GDP overall in 2012. In 2008 the Worldwide Centers of Commerce Index ranked Seoul No.9. In 2015, the Global Financial Centers Index listed Seoul as the 6th financially most competitive city in the world. The Economist Intelligence Unit ranked Seoul 15th in the list of "Overall 2025 City Competitiveness" regarding future competitiveness of cities.



Seoul Women's University at a Glance

Seoul Women's University was established by the Presbyterian Church of Korea in April 1961 to foster well-educated and trained global female leaders with Knowledge, Virtue, and Expertise. Since its establishment, Seoul Women's University has played a pivotal role to nurture these types of leaders in Korea and abroad. Through the dedication of faculty, staff, and students, Seoul Women's University has gained national and international recognition for its academic excellence and devotion to raising well-rounded individuals.



Quick Facts and Figures

- Established in April 1961 by the Presbyterian Church of Korea
- Private Women's University
- Undergraduate Programs
 - College of Humanities
 - College of Social Sciences
 - College of Natural Sciences
 - College of Art and Design
 - College of Interdisciplinary Studies for Emerging Industries
- Graduate Programs
 - Graduate School
 - Graduate School of Education
 - Graduate School of Human Services Studies
 - Graduate School of Professional Therapeutic Technology
- Undergraduate and Graduate Students: 8,338
- Faculty: 555
- Administrative Staff: 246
- Annual Tuition Fee for Undergraduate Students: USD 6,700
- Location: Seoul, Republic of Korea

Academic Calendar and Overview

June 26, 2018	Official Arrival Date and Dorm Check-in
June 27, 2018	Opening Ceremony
July 19, 2018	Closing Ceremony
July 20, 2018	Official Departure Date and Dorm Check-out

* All participants must leave the dorm on the morning of July 20.

Transcript and Credit Transfer

All participants may transfer credits according to the policies of your home institutions. Seoul Women's University will provide all necessary documents needed for the transfer of taken credits. A transcript will be sent to your home institution by post upon completion of the program.

Grading System

Seoul Women's University uses the following system to assess grades.

Excellent	A+	A
Good	B+	B
Average	C+	C
Poor	D+	D
Fail	F	

Certificate

Participants who successfully complete the program will be awarded a certificate of achievement. The certificate will be awarded at the closing ceremony of the program.



바롬
Bahrom

“Bahrom” is the pen name of Dr. Hwang Kyung Koh, the founder and the first President of Seoul Women's University. Bahrom means “to live right”, which speaks for the life she led. SWU is known for its unique character education program.

Lectures



Survival Korean

This lecture will cover a number of real-life situations that foreigners may encounter while staying in South Korea. This lecture will allow foreign BIP participants to develop basic Korean vocabulary and grammatical structures so that they can successfully communicate.



Korean Society from an Expat's Perspective

A lecture given by a person who has adapted to life in the Republic of Korea. For those who are new to Korea, this lecture will be valuable to learn about what to expect from the Land of the Morning Calm.



Korean History

Through this lecture participants will gain a general overview into Korean history. The political, cultural, and social history of Korea are among the topics that will be discussed.



Two Koreas

The political and social situation of modern-day South Korea and North Korea will be examined in this lecture. Participants will also review political, socioeconomic, and cultural issues to attain deeper knowledge of the so-called "Hermit Kingdom", North Korea.

K-Pop

The popularity of Korean pop culture and its export to international markets as a national product will be examined in this lecture. Further discourse of the positive and negative effects of the Hallyu phenomenon will also take place.



Politics and Society of South Korea

Contemporary South Korea politics and society will be discussed in this lecture. Participants will examine political, socioeconomic, and cultural issues to gain insight into the world's 11th largest economy.



Korean Film and Drama

This lecture will survey Korea's film and television industry from the early-mid 20th century through the present day. Selected scenes from representative Korean films and dramas will be presented to show the characteristics and development of the Korean entertainment industry.



Korean Food

Do you know proper chopstick etiquette? Do you like Korean barbecue? Participants will learn about Korean dishes and the traditions relating to them.



* Lecture topics are subject to change.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
A.M.		June 26 Official Arrival Date	June 27 Opening Ceremony & Orientation (10:00~12:00)
P.M.		Dorm Check-In	Campus Tour (Activity, 02:30~04:00)

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	June 28 Sports Day - Ice Breaking - (Activity, 09:30~11:30)	June 29 Korean Society from an Expat's Perspective (Lecture, 09:30~12:00)	June 30	July 1
	Survival Korean (Lecture, 01:30~03:30)	Seoul City Tour (Activity, 02:00~)	Weekend	
	Han River Cruise (Activity, 07:30~08:40)			

	July 2	July 3	July 4
A.M.	Korean History (Lecture, 09:30~12:00) (Lecture, 01:30~04:00)	National Museum of Korea (Activity, 09:30~12:00)	War Memorial Museum of Korea (Activity, 09:30~12:00)
P.M.		Elective Activity (Activity, 02:00~)	Two Koreas (Lecture, 01:30~04:00)


	July 5	July 6	July 7	July 8
	DMZ (Demilitarized Zone) (Activity, Whole Day)	K-POP (Lecture, 09:30~12:00)	Weekend	
		Learning K-POP Dance (Activity, 01:30~04:00)		

	July 9	July 10	July 11
A.M.	Politics and Society of South Korea (Lecture, 09:30~12:00) (Lecture, 01:30~04:00)	Taekwondo Performance (Activity, 10:00~12:00)	Korean Film & Drama (Lecture, 09:30~12:00)
P.M.		Nanta Performance (Activity, 02:00~04:30)	Watching Korean Film (Activity, 02:00~04:00)

	July 12	July 13	July 14	July 15
	Korean Food (Lecture, 09:30~12:00)	Preparation for Final Presentation (10:00~12:00)	Weekend	
	Seoul Tower Tour (Activity, 02:00~)	Final Presentation (01:30~05:00)		

	July 16	July 17	July 18
A.M.	Field Trip		
P.M.			

	July 19	July 20
	Packing	Dorm Check-Out
	Closing Ceremony Farewell Party	

 Only for foreign participants

Note: The schedule is subject to change. / The final schedule will be emailed in June 2018.
Some experiences are subject to additional fees.

Field Trips and Activities

Seoul City Tour

An extensive tour of Seoul's major landmarks by Big Bus, participants will have the opportunity to see the grandest of Seoul's five palaces, Gyeongbokgung Palace. Built in 1395, this was the royal palace during the Joseon Dynasty (1392-1910).

Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) Tour

This trip to the 2nd Infiltration Tunnel and Peace Observatory, located at the border with North Korea, will provide participants with an opportunity to see history in action as they view the reality of the Korean War and armistice.

Han River Cruise

The Han River holds a place of crucial importance in Korean history, being of strategic significance as an important waterway. Participants will take a cruise on this river that flows through the heart of Seoul and take in the beautiful night scenery.

Nanta Performance

A non-verbal musical incorporating traditional Korean samul nori music, this long-running show about three cooks in a restaurant trying to prepare food with a tight deadline, is performed with improvised instruments including knives, cutting boards, and containers.

Seoul Tower Tour

Located on Namsan Mountain in the heart of Seoul, Seoul Tower is a must-see landmark. Participants will be able to view the city's stunning landscape from the observatory, see the testaments of love that are the "Locks of Love", and also have the opportunity to wear Hanbok, the Korean traditional costume.

National Museum of Korea

The flagship museum of Korean history and art, this museum holds the greatest treasures of Korean history. From simple hand axes of the Paleolithic Age and a splendid gold crown from the Three Kingdoms Period to exquisite celadons from the Goryeo Dynasty and masterful paintings from the Joseon Dynasty and modern art, this museum offers a fascinating journey to the past.



War Memorial Museum

Located on the site of the former army headquarters in Seoul, the War Memorial features a history of wars and conflict from prehistoric times to the present day. Participants will have the opportunity to see a Turtle Ship (Joseon era military vessel), artifacts by people displaced during war, and military records, among other fascinating things, as they learn about the conflicts of the past and present.

Learning K-POP

Remember Gangnam Style? Love BTS? Obsessed with EXO? Participants will have the chance to learn and practice a dance routine from a popular K-pop song.

Taekwondo Performance

One of Korea's most famous martial arts, Taekwondo is known for its jumping and spinning kicks, fast kicking, and head-high kicks. Participants will watch a performance and have the opportunity to try out a few moves of their own.

Watching a Korean Movie

Korea is renowned worldwide for its cinema, ranging from Oldboy to Train to Busan. Participants will go to a movie theater to experience Korean cinema culture first-hand, where they will watch a movie and gain deeper insight into Korean culture and the national psyche.

Excursion to Korean Folk Village and Gyeongju (3 days 2 nights)

Spend 3 days exploring the history and cultural heritage of South Korea on this excursion to the city of Gyeongju and Korean Folk Village. In Gyeongju, the former capital of an ancient dynasty that ruled in Korea for nearly a millennium, participants will have the opportunity to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Bulguksa temple, marvel at famous historical treasures such as the Seokguram grotto, and more.

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Application, Tuition, etc.

Eligibility

The Bahrom International Program is open to all undergraduate and graduate students around the world with an interest in Korean culture, history, and civilization. As the program is held entirely in English, advanced English competence is a prerequisite.

Application Procedure

Submit the following to your international office by May 10, 2018.

- 1) Application (Download from <http://www.facebook/bipatswu>)
- 2) A copy of your passport information page
- 3) A receipt of wire transfer of the tuition
- 4) Flight Schedule

Tuition and Fees

The total program fee is USD 1,800. The fee covers airport pick-up, program participation, lectures, some of the activities and field trips, housing, and meals (breakfast and lunch on weekdays) throughout the duration of the program. Dinner on weekdays, meals on weekends, and airport drop-off are not included.

* A non-refundable registration fee of USD 400 is also included.

If you are an international student from a partner university of Seoul Women's University, the tuition may differ. Please ask your international office for more details.

Method of Payment

Bank : Woori Bank

Account Number : 1005-201-207842

Bank Holder : Seoul Women's University

Swift Code : HVBKCRSE

Address : 1585, Sangam-dong, Mapo-gu, Seoul, Korea

Seoul Women's University does not cover bank transaction fees and requests that students plan accordingly to ensure accurate payment. Money orders are not accepted.

Before and After Arriving at Seoul Women's University

Before Arriving at Seoul Women's University

- Visa : A valid passport and a student visa are required to visit the Republic of Korea. US citizens may stay in the Republic of Korea up to 90 days without visa. Participants must ask their international office for assistance in applying for a student visa.

Participants are responsible for obtaining their visas and must be fully aware of the necessary documents and duration of processing to ensure timely issuance. Seoul Women's University will issue an invitation letter for the visa process if necessary.

- Flight Information and Airport Pick-up : All participants must send flight information by email to ajt0714@swu.ac.kr by no later than May 15, 2018 to register for the airport pick-up service. If flight information is not received by May 15, 2018, it will be the participant's responsibility to come to the university at their own expense.

- Health Insurance : All participants are required to purchase personal health insurance at their own expense prior to arriving in the Republic of Korea.

- Money : Currency can be exchanged at the airport or various banks, as well as on campus. Transactions by credit cards from regional banks usually cannot be made in the Republic of Korea. Personal checks are not accepted anywhere in the Republic of Korea. Participants are urged to bring cash as getting money from home is slow and sometimes difficult.

- Things to Bring : personal items and toiletries, medicine, laptop, mobile devices, clothing (daily wear), clothing for the opening and closing ceremonies (business casual), towels, umbrellas, converter or adapter, etc.

After Arriving at Seoul Women's University

- Accommodation : The Bahrom Education Center on Seoul Women's University campus will provide participants with a friendly and comfortable environment in an on-campus dormitory.

- Medical Facilities : A student health center is available on campus for minor ailments. The Republic of Korea possesses a world-class medical system in case of emergency.

- Access to Internet & Wifi : Personal computers and other mobile devices may be used in dormitory rooms with free wifi access.

- Laundry : There are laundry rooms fully equipped with laundry machines and drying machines. The machines are coin-operated.

Photo Story of 2017 BIP

- Sports : Students may use the fitness room, a small field, and the on-campus gym.
- Worship and Meditation : There is a meditation room available on campus for those who require quiet time for meditation or prayer.
- Airport Transportation Service : Participants may request the airport transportation service from Seoul Women's University to Incheon International Airport. The service cost is NOT included in the program fee. If the airport transportation service is required, participants may apply by June 10, 2018.

Life in Korea

- Weather : Korea enjoys four distinct seasons and a variety of different types of weather. June and July are summer months in Korea and as such the weather will be hot and humid, with an average temperature of 25-35°C(75-85°F). This is also rainy season in Korea, so students should prepare accordingly.
- Transportation : Public transportation in Seoul is usually cheap, convenient, and easy to use. Using the extensive bus and subway system it is possible to go to virtually any spot in the city. Basic subway and bus fares are KRW 1,200~1,500 (approx. USD 1.00~1.25). The fare is discounted using a transportation card. Taxis are easy to use, with fares normally starting at around 3,000 won in Seoul.
- Safety : Seoul is a fairly safe city. Possession or use of narcotic drugs, handguns, knives, and other weapons are prohibited. There are usually no problems taking the subway or walking around the city.





Seoul Women's University



- ① Main Gate
- ② Golden 50 Commemoration Hall
- ③ Child Research Center
- ④ Christian Education Hall
- ⑤ Humanities & Social Science Hall
- ⑥ Art Hall
- ⑦ Library
- ⑧ Student Hall
- ⑨ Graduate School
- ⑩ Science Hall I
- ⑪ Science Hall II
- ⑫ Kindergarten
- ⑬ On-Campus Housing
- ⑭ International Education Hall
- ⑮ Bahrom Memorial Hall
- ⑯ Shalom House
- ⑰ International Residence Hall
- ⑱ Bahrom Education Center
- ⑲ Auditorium
- ⑳ Continuing Education Center
- ㉑ Anderson Memorial Hall
- ㉒ Graduate School of Professional Studies
- ㉓ Annex
- ㉔ Administration Building
- ㉕ Gymnasium
- ㉖ South Gate
- ㉗ Hwarang Elementary School



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