

Korean Language Regular Program Activities



Orientation



Sports Day



Cultural Experience



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Campus Tour



Taekwondo Experience



Graduation

Short-term Program

- A program that allows students to experience Korean Language and Korean Culture for a short period of time (at least 1 week)
- Students can experience various Hallyu content



K-Food Making Experience



Student Exchange Meeting



Cultural Experience



Cultural Experience



K-POP Dance Experience



Meeting with SMU President

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Introduction of Sangmyung University ILCEC



International Language and Culture Education Center : ILCEC

Sangmyung University International Language and Culture Education Center (ILCEC), established in March 2005, introduces and provides Korean Language Training program and Korean culture through diverse and effective educational programs, convenient educational facilities, and exceptional instructors' teaching methods.

Regular Korean Language Program

This is Sangmyung University's ILCEC's main course which helps students to learn Korean in the most effective and efficient way. This course is for students who want to enter universities or graduate schools in Korea or get jobs.

- A systematic curriculum suitable for the student's level (Level 1~6, College preparatory class)
- Korean language instructors with years of experience and excellent skills
- Preparation for the Korean Language Proficiency Test (TOPIK) with classes integrating listening, speaking, reading, writing, vocabulary, and grammar

Semester	Spring(Mar.), Summer(Jun.), Fall(Sep.), Winter(Dec.) / 4 terms per year
School Day	5 days/week (Mon. ~ Fri.), 10 weeks / term, 200 hours in total
Class Time	09:00 ~ 13:00 (4 hours/day)
Level	Beginner [Levels 1-2], Intermediate [Levels 3-4], Advanced [Levels 5-6] / College preparatory class
Number of People	Maximum of 20 students per class

Academic Schedule

Year	Term	Course Period	Placement Test / Orientation	Application Deadline
2025	Spring	2025. 3.17. ~ 2025. 5.23.	2025. 3.12.	2024.12.27.
	Summer	2025. 6. 9. ~ 2025. 8.14.	2025. 6. 3.	2025. 4. 4.
	Fall	2025. 9. 8. ~ 2025.11.19.	2025. 9. 3.	2025. 7. 4.
	Winter	2025.12. 8. ~ 2026. 2.13.	2025.12. 3.	2025. 9.30.
2026	Spring	2026. 3. 9 ~ 2026. 5.19.	2026. 3. 4.	2025.12.19.
	Summer	2026. 6. 8. ~ 2026. 8.14.	2026. 6. 3.	2026. 3.27.

- For inquiries regarding the academic schedule, please contact ILCEC at (+82-2-2287-5298) or email (universitiesangmyung@gmail.com)
- Academic schedule is subject to change in the future

Korean Cultural Experience

Helps students understand and adapt to Korean culture through activities that allow students to experience Korean culture in regular Korean language classes

Support for studying abroad

Systematic counseling support to help students study Korean and adapt to life in Korea

Qualifications for application

Foreigners and overseas Koreans with academic qualification equivalent to high school graduation or higher

Application Process

■ Visa-free

- Holders of nationality from countries that allow 90-day stay among visa-free entry countries
- In order to extend the period of stay after entering Korea, students must obtain a Language Training visa (D-4-1)
- Can take Regular Korean Language classes for one semester
- Admission process
 - ① Online application on the website and document submission →
 - ② Submitted document screening → ③ Notification of Acceptance and Payment Notice → ④ Tuition Payment → ⑤ Participation in the Placement Test after entering Korea

■ Short-Term Visa (C-3-1)

- Visa obtained by individuals by visiting the local Korean Embassy or Consulate (90 days stay available)
- In order to extend the period of stay after entering Korea, students must obtain the Language Training visa (D-4-1)
 - ** Tourist visa (C-3-2, C-3-9) cannot be changed to Language Training visa.
- Admission process
 - ① Online application on the website and document submission →
 - ② Submitted document screening → ③ Notification of Acceptance and Payment Notice → ④ Tuition Payment → ⑤ Participation in the Placement Test after entering Korea

■ Language Training Visa (D-4-1)

- Must stay in Korea for the initial 6 months · After that, students can extend their visa every 3 or 6 months (up to two years of visa extension)
- Admission process
 - ① Online application on the website and document submission →
 - ② Submitted document screening → ③ Notification of Acceptance and Payment Notice → ④ Tuition Payment → ⑤ Issuance of Certificate of Admission (Visa Issuance Confirmation) → ⑥ Visa application → ⑦ Visa obtained → ⑧ Participation in the Placement Test after entering Korea
 - * Depending on the country, it may take approximately a month or more from submission of admission documents for a visa

How to apply

- If you apply online on the ILCEC website, you will receive instructions on how to submit documents via email.

Document Submission

■ Visa-free and Short-Term Visa

- All documents must be submitted in Korean or English, and for documents in other languages, a notarized Korean translation must be submitted along with the original
- Submitted documents will not be returned
- Additional documents may be requested during the document screening process

Required Documents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application form (Online submission) 2. A copy of passport 3. 2 color photos (3.5*4.5cm size, taken within the last 6 months, white background) 4. A copy of graduation certificate of highest academic level or original certificate of enrollment (issued within the last 3 months) 5. A copy of International Student Insurance Certificate (if not subscribed yet, sign up in Korea)
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■ Language Study Visa (D-4-1)

- All documents must be submitted in Korean or English, and for documents in other languages, a notarized Korean translation must be submitted along with the original
- All documents must be issued within 3 months and submitted documents will not be returned
- Additional documents may be requested during the documents screening process

Required Documents

1. Application form (Online submission)
2. A copy of passport
3. 2 color photos (3.5*4.5cm size, taken within the last 6 months, white background)
4. A copy of identification card
5. A copy of graduation certificate of highest academic level or original certificate of enrollment
 - * Original Apostille or Consular confirmation from diplomatic missions overseas of the Republic of Korea
 - For Chinese nationality, a copy issued by the Ministry of Education's Educational Certification Center (CHSI)
6. Original transcript of highest academic record (indicate all grades)
7. Documents proving financial ability with USD 10,000 or more
 - Bank Balance Certificate in student's name
 - For Vietnamese nationality, submit a Confirmation of deposit for study abroad expenses
8. A copy of Family Relation Certificate (Chinese students - Household registration book)
9. A copy of parents' identification card or passport
10. Documents proving parents' financial ability (original proof of employment and income)

* Please refer to our website for details on submitted documents

Tuition Payment

- Application fee: KRW 50,000 (first time only)
- Tuition fee: KRW 1,500,000 / per term (textbooks fees not included)
- BANK ACCOUNT

BANK	SWIFT CODE	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT HOLDER
KOOKMIN BANK	CZNBKRSE	92287-510064	SANGMYUNG UNIVERSITY

- If you are issued a Language Training visa (D-4-1), you must pay tuition fees for two semesters
- Tuition payment is notified individually to the final successful applicant via invoice. Deposit is made only when an invoice is issued or when the person in charge requests payment.
- * Do not deposit tuition or application fees before passing the document screening process
- Tuition fee must be deposited in the name of the applicant
- In case of refund, the application fee will not be refunded

Placement Test

- Eligibility: New applicants only
- Test progress: Reading, writing, listening, and speaking tests (approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes ~ 2 hours)
- Note: Student will automatically be placed in Level 1 (beginner) if no placement test is taken

Scholarship System

- Various scholarships are available to support a stable study abroad life

Category	Payment Amount	Remarks
Merit Scholarship	30% of the tuition fee	Student with excellent grades
Work Scholarship	50% of the tuition fee	Student who works at ILCEC
Special Scholarship	30-50% of the tuition fee	-
International Student Scholarship	30% of the tuition fee	International student attending Sangmyung University

* All scholarships can be received multiple times

International Student Insurance

- All students participating in the Language Training program are required to subscribe to National Health Insurance six months after entering the country
- Students must sign up for international student insurance (private insurance) before signing up for mandatory national health insurance
- If you have insurance signed up before coming to study, submit the relevant documents to ILCEC (Documents must be in English, subscribed for at least 1 year, and insurance coverage must be specified)
- If you do not have registration documents, you can sign up after entering Korea