

Seoul National University

Exchange start semester	Autumn semester 2023
Study level	Undergraduate (Bachelor)
Home faculty at GU	IT-Faculty
Studies at GU	Cognitive Science

Courses during exchange

- Korean
- Practical skills for Cognitive Scientists
- Understanding Buddhism
- Academic Writing
- Evolutionary Biology
- Man and the Universe

Main difference compared to studying at GU

The amount of courses and workload. More assignments more frequently.

Arrival, orientation and housing

There was not a lot of help settling in and I had to figure out how everything worked myself. Took a while to fully settle in.

Finances

Apartments are about the same price. Depositions can be very expensive. Food is generally cheaper, but groceries can be more expensive. Going out is cheaper than Sweden.

Life in a new country/culture

It was a great experience and I learned a lot. But loneliness was felt sometimes and the feeling of not really fitting into society was there. The university didn't help much with socializing events. I felt overwhelmed by the sheer size of the city but exploring it was great. Making Korean friends helped a lot with exploring the unknown parts.

Overall exchange experience

It was a great experience and something that I would do again. It wasn't quite what I expected and that is why you learn a lot about yourself.