Facts

- Language of instruction: English & Korean
- Number of students enrolled: 35,295
- Number of campuses: 1
- Academic year: September - June
- Autumn Semester Equivalent: September - December
- Spring Semester Equivalent: March - June

Things to do

Seoul is a city of 10.5 million people, and has been the Korean capital for 600 years. Popular tourist spots include the ancient palaces and royal shrines of the Joseon Dynasty, the historic Namhansanseong Fortress, the Han River which runs to North Korea, and the Seoul World Cup and Olympic Stadium.

Top Attractions: Bukchon Village, Gyeongbok Palace, Shinsegae Department Store, Bugaksan mountain trails, N Seoul Tower, Itaewon district and Namdaemun Market

According to Lonely Planet, “An old Korean proverb goes, ‘Even if you have to crawl on your knees, get yourself to Seoul!’ It’s a view that the New York Times recently concurred with by tipping the South Korean city as one of its top places to visit for 2010.”

Travel opportunities

Seoul is within comfortable flying distance of Japan and China, with Tokyo, Beijing and Shanghai all less than three hours flight away. The Haenang Rail Cruise offers an unrivalled tour through the whole country, while South Korea also boasts a number of beautiful mountain ranges. The lakeside city of Chunchon, a popular tourist destination, is also within travelling distance.

Climate

Seoul has hot, humid summers, with temperatures exceeding 35°C, and very cold winters, when temperatures can drop below -10°C. The most pleasant seasons are Autumn and Spring, which offer comfortable temperatures and blue skies.

Finance 2016/17

Bursaries from the University of Nottingham available for those accepted to study abroad at KU:

- International Office Travel Bursary (means-tested): £750 or £500 depending on household income
- KU Universitas21 scholarship: The U21 scholarship is given to exchange students from Universitas 21 universities, including the University Of Nottingham, studying at Korea University. Students don’t need to apply for the scholarship since it’s automatically provided. For students studying at U21 member universities outside Asia, including Nottingham, the amount of scholarship available is 500,000 Won (approximately £300).

Further information: http://www.korea.edu/