
2022 FALL SEMESTER EXCHANGE PROGRAM REVIEW

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PERIOD OF STUDY	Fall 2022
NAME OF HOME UNIVERISTY	Audencia Business School

■ NOTICE OF IMMIGRATION

Please fill-in the sections below based on your personal experience. It should be expository and informative.

1. Student visa:

I applied for the student Visa in June and got it approved in two weeks. Beforehand, I checked what type of documents were needed. However, I would say that the number of papers needed was quite important so I would advise the next exchange students to really be careful when applying for the visa by checking the information they write and the documents they have.

2. Flight ticket information:

I bought my ticket for Korea in June for arriving the 25th of August in Korea. I bought my ticket to fly back in France in September and not in June too since I wanted to wait to see how long I will stay in Korea after the end of the semester since my visa is available until January. Thus, my return flight is on the 20th of December so I'll be able to enjoy time with my friends in Korea after the finals.

3. Money exchange:

I did not exchange any money in France because the rate was very high. I exchanged a few euros at Incheon airport just in case the taxi did not take any foreign card. For the rest of the euros I brought with me, I exchanged them in Myeongdong since the rate was the best. I still have some euros left to exchange and I'll change them later in the semester.

I would recommend not to rely only on money exchange and get an international option on your card to get few to no fees when withdrawing cash in Korea. That's what I mostly do because cash is actually needed in Korea since sometimes foreign card do not work or you need to repay

your friends in cash.

4. Residence Card (Alien registration card):

I applied with the group registration for ARC. I thought that it was easier and everything was very clear and structured. I just followed the instructions and it was pretty quick. It might be a little stressful to apply for the group registration because you only have two days to do it but it worth it. For now, I don't have my ARC yet

■ INHA UNIVERISTY COURSE EVALUATION

Please fill-in the sections below based on your personal experience. It should be expository and informative.

1. Course registration:

For the course registration, I was helped by my buddy who explained me how everything worked and especially how quick the classes could be full so it was very helpful! I prepared a schedule with my desired classes but also some back-up classes if I could not get the ones I wanted. I got lucky and got all the classes I wanted. I would say it was pretty stressful because this registration system was very new to me because I never had to do that in my home country but if you are well prepared it will go smoothly.

2. Course formats:

Out of my five classes, three are lecture classes, one is an interactive-discussion class and one is a seminar-type class. I actually appreciate the diversity of the formats since it makes nearly every class different and it makes me improve different skills not only memorizing.

3. Assignments:

I don't have a lot of assignments per week but I have to study for some weekly quizzes in one of my class. However, I would say that when I have some assignments, I always have enough time to do them, I was never on a rush to do them.

4. Exams:

The mid-term period was pretty stressful but the outcome was better than expected. If you study, you'll get good results. I'd say that there are many places to study in the campus so you can easily change your studying environment to feel better. Exams are mostly mcq which I wasn't used to (in France it's mostly essays or open questions) so if you're not used to it, try to prepare yourself for it.

5. Course list that you took in this semester:

I took 5 classes : Business English, Operation Management, Financial Management, Consumer Behavior and Ethical Management & Cases.

6. Course evaluation:

Most classes have different types of evaluation, it's not just the midterm and the final exam. I appreciate this system because it less of a burden for students because you can improve your

grades with assignments, attendance and group projects.

7. Main language of courses:

All of my classes are in English

8. Courses that you would like to recommend :

I really recommend the Business English class with Michael Keith Cook since this class is really useful because you learn how to interact and work in the business world. Moreover, since every time you have a new partner, you get to interact with many students especially Korean students so it's a good class to encounter people from other countries.

Furthermore, I would recommend the Operations Management class. Indeed, this class helped me understanding how a company actually work and what are the issues a company has to face. The lecture is also very dynamic.

■ TRANSPORTATION

Please fill-in the sections below based on your personal experience. It should be expository and informative.

1. Type of transportation:

In Korea, I mostly use public transportations. The network of transportation is very important so you'll always find a way to go to your destination. However, the public transportation network closes very early : at midnight most of the lines are closed. Thus, you'll need to take a taxi. Nevertheless, taxis in Korea are very cheap (compared to Europe at least) and it's very easy to order one with apps like Kakao Taxi.

2. Fees:

In Korea, there isn't any weekly/monthly/yearly subscription for the public transportation. You are charged every time you take a public transportation. Nevertheless, it is pretty cheap but if you use it on daily basis and for a long distance it can be quick costly. Thus, if you want to find an accommodation by yourself, take this into consideration.

3. T-money card:

I bought a T-money card on my first day in Korea at the closest convenient store from my accommodation. I would advise to get one as soon as possible because you need it to use public transportation and you can pay with it in convenient stores too. One thing about it is that you need to charge it with cash and not card.

4. Some tips for saving money :

For saving money, try to walk as much as possible. Sometimes, the itinerary will show that after taking the subway, you need to take a bus. However, it can be for a few hundred meters. Try to check if you can reach your destination by feet without using all the public transportation showed on your map.

■ SCHOOL LIFE AT INHA UNIVERSITY

Please fill-in the sections below based on your personal experience. It should be expository and informative.

1. **Buddy program:**

I did apply to the buddy program and I do not regret it. My buddy was really nice to me and so helpful! She helped me with everything about course registration, helped me for buying a sim card for Korea. Moreover, she came to my accommodation on my first day of Korea and gave me a tour of the neighborhood.

2. **Student clubs:**

I'm a member of AZIT club which provide activities and events to make international students and Korean students interact. I'm really happy I joined the club because I made a lot of Korean friends and international friends with who I hang out often, even outside AZIT events. Moreover, the events organized are very different so that's great.

However, I wanted to join a music club but I couldn't because I only stayed one semester.

3. **ISN field trips:**

I've actually haven't been to any ISN field trips. I applied for the DMZ trips but there were too many people so I didn't get in.

4. **Cafeteria:**

I've never been to the cafeteria yet.

5. **Recommended restaurants near Inha:**

Near Inha, there are so many good restaurants and a variety of food types.

If you miss western food like pasta I recommend Pachi. If you want some really good local food, I recommend 짜장전설 which has amazing jjajangmyeon . I also recommend No Brand Burger, since it's really cheap and pretty good burger. Finally, I'd recommend Gamei which has a lot of variety of really good Japanese food.

6. **Library:**

The library is a really good place to study and there are many seats. The view is also amazing.

7. **Gym:**

I subscribed to the gym in INHA campus and it was a decent price. It has many machines but it can be quite crowded at times.

8. **Student ID card:**

The ID card is very useful because you need it to enter the library for instance. You can also use it as a t-money card which is very convenient.

■ ACCOMMODATION

Please fill-in the sections below based on your personal experience. It should be expository and informative.

1. Accommodation type:

Off campus housing

2. Cost:

2,500,000 won for 4 months

3. Rules:

No particular rules since it's private housing unless you have to follow the guidelines for trash deposit.

4. Foods:

I mostly eat outside home but when I'm not, I cook very basic food with rice, some vegetables and soy sauce.

5. Tips for choosing accommodations:

Off campus housing is very convenient because you don't need to find an accommodation by yourself. Moreover, you have your own private space so it can be good to relax.

6. How to check-in and out:

For off-campus housing, I was contacted by an off campus assistant from INHA. He waited for me at my accommodation when I got to Korea. The landlord arrived later and the check in was very quick. Everything is guided. For check out, from what I understood, you need to tell when you're leaving and the landlord will come.

■ **PICTURES (Introduce your life in Korea)**

