

Academic Bulletin for South Korea 2018-19 and 2019-20

Introduction

The Academic Bulletin is the CSU International Programs (IP) “catalog” and provides academic information about the program in South Korea. This document supersedes the previous bulletin.

CSU IP participants must read this publication in conjunction with the *Academic Guide for CSU IP Participants* (also known as the “*Academic Guide*”). The *Academic Guide* contains academic policies which will be applied to all IP participants while abroad. Topics include but are not limited to CSU Registration, Enrollment Requirements, Minimum/Maximum Unit Load in a Semester, Attendance, Examinations, Assignment of Grades, Grading Symbols, Credit/No Credit Option, Course Withdrawals and other policies. The *Academic Guide* also contains information on academic planning, how courses get credited to your degree, and the academic reporting process including when to expect your academic report at the end of your year abroad.

To access the *Academic Bulletin*, go to our website [here](#) and click on the year that pertains to your year abroad. For general information about the South Korea Program, refer to the CSU IP website under “[Programs](#)”.

Academic Program Information

CSU IP in South Korea is affiliated with Yonsei University in Seoul, a private university. Students are only permitted to take courses at the Sinchon campus.

The academic year at Yonsei consists of two semesters. The first semester runs from the beginning of September to mid to late December. The second semester starts the beginning of March and ends mid to late June. Note that the term in between the first and second semester at Yonsei is not part of the CSU IP South Korea program. Consequently, any courses taken during this term will be at the student’s expense and will not be reported to the student’s home CSU campus by CSU IP.

All CSU IP students are required to take a six-unit Korean language course in Semester 1 which is held from 4pm to 6pm, Monday through Friday. In the fall semester, students select remaining courses from university departments and the Underwood International College at Yonsei. Students who are proficient enough in the Korean language may, with permission, select courses from the regular courses offered at Yonsei. Students must take minimum of 15 units each semester. Enrollment in Korean language is optional in the spring semester.

Students may not take more than two physical education courses per semester.

Any exceptions to the above schedule or to any academic policy must be approved by the CSU IP Office. To request an exception, email CSU IP at IPacademics@calstate.edu.

Course Codes and Levels

At Yonsei, course codes are made up of three letters to represent a department or college, followed by four digits usually beginning with 1, 2, 3 and 4. Typically, courses numbered 1000 to 1999 are foundation and introductory courses and are designed for first year university students. Most of these courses are lower division with some exceptions, depending on course content. Courses which are 100 level are also classified as a general education/lower level course. Language and physical education courses numbered 2000 to 2999 are lower division. Other courses numbered 2000 to 2999 can be lower division or upper division depending on the specific course and department through which the course is offered. Courses numbered 3000 to 3999 or 4000 to 4999 are generally upper division courses (with some exceptions depending on course content). Students seeking upper division credit should plan to take courses numbered 3000 to 4999. Courses numbered 5000 and above are graduate level courses.

For course information, go to <https://oia.yonsei.ac.kr/intstd/exCourse.asp>.

Grading and Units

The grading system at Yonsei University is comparable to the grading scale used at the CSU as follows:

Yonsei Grade	CSU Grade
A+, A0	A
A-	A-
B+	B+
B0	B
B-	B-
C+	C+
C0	C
C-	C-
D+	D+
D0	D
D-	D-
F	F

The CSU grade of WU (Withdrawal Unauthorized) may be given in some circumstances, e.g. for uncompleted courses. Refer to the *Academic Guide* for additional grade information.

Note that Yonsei University has a strict attendance policy. Students who are absent from a course for more than 1/3 of the semester will be issued a failing grade regardless of their achievement in the course. Some professors, however, may have stricter rules. For instance, attendance is taken more seriously in Korean Language Classes.

Unit Conversion Guidelines

For every credit earned at Yonsei University, an IP student earns one CSU semester unit. To convert the value of CSU semester units into CSU quarter units, multiply the CSU semester units by 1.5.

Course Information

Courses taught in English are offered throughout the various departments at Yonsei University. The course lists for each term are finalized only two months before each term begins. This means that the course list for Fall won't be available until July. In the interim, students can use the course listings for the previous year as an example of what will be offered for the following year. Most courses are offered each year. Courses are subject to change and availability.

Since it can be very competitive to get access to various courses at Yonsei University, the Office of International Affairs started to offer courses to supplement regular university courses. It is relatively easy for the incoming students to get the courses offered by the Office of International Affairs.

For course information, go to the following link: <https://portal.yonsei.ac.kr/main/indexe.jsp>. Click on "Course Catalogue and Syllabus: Undergraduate & Graduate". Select the desired field of study from the second tab and click on the search icon on the right. To view courses taught in English, click on the check box at the right. When courses are displayed, those with a reference code (in the reference column) of "②" are courses conducted in English. Courses available to study abroad/exchange students are indicated at the far right exchange column. If you are unable to find courses after reading these instructions, contact Yonsei University at uia@yonsei.ac.kr for assistance.

Below is an example of the courses that have been offered to students in previous years. Note that the course list below is for reference purposes only since course titles and codes can change each year.

College of Liberal Arts

Korean Language and Literature

KOR1102-01-00	Introduction to Literature
KOR2512-01-00	Introduction to Classical Korean Poetry
KOR3406-01-00	The History of Korean Language

History

HIS3403-01-00	Feudalism in China
HIS3418-01-00	The Intellectual History of Japan
HIS3428-01-00	History of Southeast Asia

Psychology

PSY3111-01-00 Social Psychology
 PSY3146-01-00 Introduction to Cognitive
 Neuroscience
 PSY4126-01-00 Industrial Psychology

College of Business Economics

Economics

ECO1101-05-00 Mathematics for Economics I
 ECO3101-01-00 Games Theory and Applications
 ECO2102-04-00 Microeconomics

Applied Statistics

STA1002-01-00 Calculus
 STA2105-01-00 Statistical Methods
 STA3126-01-00 Mathematical Statistics

College of Life System

Biology

BIO2208-01-00 Introduction to Modern Biological
 Science and Research
 LSB2201-YY-00 Biostatistics
 BIO3102-01-00 Microbiology

Biochemistry

BCH3117-01-00 Biochemical Genetics
 BCH3109-01-00 Molecular Biology

Underwood International College

Common Curriculum in UIC

UIC1351-01-00 World Literature: English and
 American Literature
 UIC1809-01-00 Beginning Chinese (1)
 UIC2101-01-00 Critical Reasoning
 UIC3590-01-00 Musical Style and Composition

Comparative Literature and Culture

CLC2710-01-00 Novel Writing
 CLC3704-01-00 Postcolonial Literature in English
 CLC4712-01-00 Popular Culture: Cute New World

International Studies

ISM2002-01-00 Fundamentals of Economic
 Decision Making
 ISM2113-01-00 Introduction to International Law

ISM4513-01-00 European Union

Political Science and International Relations

POL2821-01-00 Public Policy and Administration
 POL3414-01-00 Islam and Contemporary
 International Relations
 POL4212-01-00 Election Campaigning in Korea

College of Social Science

Mass Communication

COM1101-01-00 Introduction to Media Studies
 COM3122-01-00 Global Journalism
 COM3128-01-00 Public Relations

Social Work

SOW3109-01-00 Social Welfare Data Analysis
 SOW4105-01-00 Social Welfare Ethics and
 Philosophy

Political Science and Diplomacy

POL3827-01-00 Unification Policies in Korean
 Peninsula
 POL3831-01-00 Cosmopolitan and Critics
 POL3839-01-00 Politics in the Age of Migration
 POL4823-01-00 Theory of Justice

Public Administration

PUB3115-01-00 Administrative Case Studies
 PUB4115-01-00 The Practice and Theory of
 International Trade Policy
 PUB4118-01-00 Institutions and Organizations

College of Human Ecology

Food and Nutrition

FNS2107-01-00 Food Preparation Sciences and
 Culinary Art
 FNS2116-01-00 Molecular Biology

Child and Family Studies

CFS3102-01-00 Social and Emotional
 Development in Young Children
 CFS3129-01-00 Understanding Children with
 Special Needs
 CFS3128-01-00 Cognitive Development

For questions about courses (including their portal), registration or Yonsei University, contact the Office of International Affairs staff at oa@yonsei.ac.kr.