



# SUMMER STUDY IN SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA



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# Program dates and Eligibility

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Dates: May 14 – June 4, 2023

Eligibility:

- Good disciplinary standing
- Good academic standing
- Priority to Juniors





# Content

Students will explore matters related to human rights in the context of Korean history and culture. The Korean peninsula experienced massive human rights abuses during the Japanese occupation of Korea from 1910 until the end of World War II in 1945. Of course, the horrific cost of war only intensified on the peninsula during the Korean War (1950-1953). This course will examine aspects of this history and will explore matters related to ethics and human rights connected to these wars. We will also examine the practice of torture and will visit sites in which it took place. We will explore whether torture is always wrong and familiarize ourselves with the international human rights paradigm and its condemnation of gross human rights abuses. In the final section of the course, we will look at contemporary issues related to human rights, including a look at the fight for rights of LGBTQ persons and those with disabilities.

We will visit a few sites of interest that connect to our course, including a trip to the Demilitarized Zone and Seodaemun Prison, which is now a museum dedicated to those imprisoned during the Japanese occupation. In addition, we plan to meet with representatives from both LGBTQ and disability rights organizations to discuss the current challenges that both movements are facing.





# Program Highlights

- POL-356. Human Rights
- 4 credits
- Core requirements: GN, O, SS, LINQ, and XLP
- Faculty leaders:
  - Dr. Christian Rice
  - Dr. Kelly Sorensen





# Program Components

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- Transportation:
  - Transportation from Ursinus to the airport.
  - Group airport transfer upon arrival and departure to Seoul.
  - Airfare.
- Meals:
  - All the meals
  - Welcome lunch and farewell dinner, plus an additional lunch.
- Accommodations:
  - Hotel in double occupancy with breakfast for 21 days.
- iNext comprehensive Ultimate travel insurance plus Political and Natural Disaster Evacuation Package.
- Pre-departure and on-site orientation



# Program Components: Cultural Activities



Hike Dobongsan

Visit to Seodaemun  
Prison

Demilitarized Zone  
Tour

Walking tour of  
Ahyeondong

Meet with disability  
rights organizations

Meet with an LGBT  
organization

Visit to the War &  
Women's Human  
Rights Museum

Seoul street food tour

Korean Spirit and  
Culture Workshop

City tour and  
Scavenger hunt

Gyeongbok Palace  
Tour

Lunch at a restaurant  
run by a North Korean  
defector – Learn  
about Korean cuisine.

Tour of N Seoul Tower  
with local students

Han River picnic for  
local students

Community services  
with Shoes for Hope  
Project

Community service  
with Making  
Audiobooks for the  
Blind

Film Feature of:  
Twinsters

Trip to ESWS – A  
multicultural Family  
Support Center



# Total Cost: What Is Not Included?

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- Total cost: \$5,000
  - ✓ Tuition/Class instruction and guest speakers
  - ✓ Transportation
  - ✓ Meals
  - ✓ Housing
  - ✓ Excursions
  - ✓ Insurance
  - ✓ Orientation
- Not included:
  - ✓ Passport
  - ✓ Textbooks/course supplies
  - ✓ Personal spending





# Financial Aid

- Espadas and Neborak Fund
- Gilman Scholarship
- FEA Fund
- Rotary Club

