

# 2025 Recruitment and Selection for 『Ajou-Suwon Scholarship for Master's Degree』

The Ajou-Suwon Scholarship for Master's Degree is a program that is offered through a cooperation of Suwon Center for International Cooperation (SWCIC) and Ajou University Graduate School of International Studies to invite students from Suwon's sister and friendship cities to study in Ajou Graduate School of International Studies.

## I Guide to Recruitment

- Recruiting period: April 14, 2025 ~ June 20, 2025
- Number of students : 2
- Requirement
  - Be a student who got the official recommendation from Suwon's sister cities with a Bachelor's Degree or higher.
  - Government officials, and employees in state institutes or NGOs are preferred.
  - Be expected to have a Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution or in the final semester to obtain Bachelor's degree at an internationally recognized university or college.
  - Be able to start the Ajou GSIS with Ajou-Suwon Scholarship program from **September 1st, 2025**
  - Have sufficient command of both spoken & written English to take classes conducted entirely in English and to write academic reports and thesis in English.
  - Should have a positive attitude and a strong will to get adjusted in a multicultural environment and to understand

hosting country's culture.

- Should have a good moral characteristic to endure student life on campus.
- Be in good health, both physically and mentally, to take part in the program.
  - ※ Pregnancy is regarded as a disqualifying condition for participating in this program.
  - ※ Having a Tuberculosis or any kind of contagious disease is regarded as a disqualifying condition for participation in this program.
  - ※ Health & Medical Clearance Form should be submitted.
- Should contribute to the development of bilateral relationships with Suwon city and the relevant domains after completing the course.
- A candidate currently attending in other educational institutes in Korea or a previous beneficiary of this scholarship cannot apply.

Responsibility

- Should participate in the orientation sessions and quarterly meetings with the SWCIC.
- Should participate in the SWCIC programs at least twice a year.
- Should submit an individual future plan and an action plan for promoting the relationship between your city and Suwon to the SWCIC before graduation.
- Must return to your home country upon completion of the training program.
- Recommended to participate in meetings with Suwon City delegations after returning to home country.
- Should participate in the programs for the graduates

□ How to apply

- Application : Submit original copies by international mail
- Due : **May 30, 2025** (It should be arrived at Graduate School of International Studies of Ajou University within the set deadline.)

※ Submit the application to the related department of sister and friendship cities, then, post the documents of recommended students together to Graduate School of International Studies of Ajou University by post (Application form must be submitted in advance by e-mail to [gsis\\_admission@ajou.ac.kr](mailto:gsis_admission@ajou.ac.kr)).

□ Application documents and supplements

- ① Application Form (Form Attached)
- ② Curriculum Vitae (Form Attached)
- ③ One photocopy of undergraduate diploma or Graduation Certificate

(Copied diploma should include an official stamp from the issuing University and should be notarized from Korean Embassy or Apostilled.)

- ④ One photocopy of transcript of all undergraduate work  
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※ Should also attach a grading system explanation of the bachelor degree granting university on a separate paper.

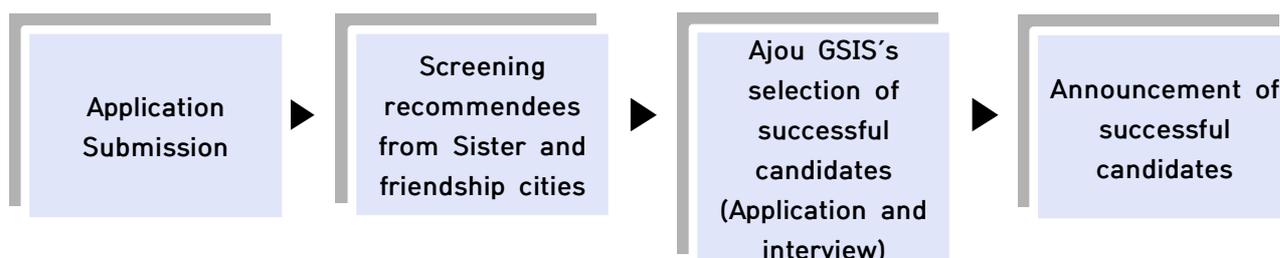
- ⑤ Two letters of recommendation from professors or supervisors(Form Attached)
- ⑥ Recommendation Letter from the sister city of Suwon.
- ⑦ Statement of Purpose (SOP) (Form Attached)
- ⑧ Official Test of English as a foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or its equivalence
- ⑨ One copy of a Verification of Deposit (VOD) of the person responsible for student's expenses (should have

more than USD4,000 in the deposit)

- ⑩ A Copy of passport
- ⑪ Two passport-sized photos (plain background)
- ⑫ Health & Medical Clearance Form (Form Attached)
- ⑬ Agreement Form for Academic Verification (Form Attached)
- ⑭ Agreement on Privacy and Copyright Policy (Form Attached)
- ⑮ Ajou-Suwon Scholarship Program Participants' Responsibilities (Form Attached)
- ⑯ Degree Certificate (Chinese students only)  
(Issued by Chinese Academic Degree & Graduation Education Development Center([www.cdgd.edu.cn](http://www.cdgd.edu.cn)))

## **II** Selection for Scholarship Recipient

### Selection Process



- Graduate School of International Studies of Ajou University proceeds final selection (total 2 students) among the students who received recommendation from sister and friendship cities.

※ List of successful candidates will be announced later through sister and friendship cities.

- Round 1: Document Review
- Round 2: Evaluation of Applicants' Academic English (spoken) and motivation to study, study plan and etc. The interview process will be conducted online.



## Scholarship Provision

- Benefits of ASSM Scholarship (September 2025 ~ August 2027)
  - 100% tuition for 4 regular semesters.
  - 100% dormitory fee for 24 months.
    - ※ For the expectant graduates, dormitory fee will be guaranteed until the date they will stay in Korea for graduation ceremony up to 24 months.
  - Settlement Allowance 380,000KRW
    - ※ In the first semester, students have to pay for the admission fee **900,000KRW**

[USD 1=1,490KRW]

Scholarship type	Amount of ASSM Scholarship		Note
	KRW	USD	
Tuition	23,688,000 ~ 26,724,000	15,900~17,936	✓ 100% tuition will be waived by ASSM. - M.A.(IT/IDC) : 5,922,000KRW*4 semesters - M.A.(CS) : 6,556,000KRW*4 semesters - M.B.A.(IB) : 6,681,000KRW*4 semesters (If students cannot complete the graduation requirements within 4 semesters, they have to pay for the 5 <sup>th</sup> semester's tuition fee by themselves)
On-campus Dormitory Fee	9,868,000	6,623	✓ 2 people shared room at new International Dormitory(on-campus, built in 2015) of Ajou University will be offered for free by ASSM. (On-campus dormitory) - Regular semester : 1,569,000KRW*4 times - Summer/Winter Vacation : 898,000KRW*4times ✓ The scholarship for the On-campus dormitory (2 people shared room) can be provided only if they stay in on-campus dormitory. If students want to stay off-campus housing, the scholarship for On-campus Dormitory Fee cannot be supported.
Settlement Allowance	380,000	255	✓ Settlement Allowance 380,000KRW*1 time
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,936,000 ~ 36,972,000</b>	<b>22,778 ~ 24,814</b>	

- ※ M.A.(IT/IDC) : International Trade, International Development and Cooperation
- ※ M.A.(CS) : Civil Society Studies
- ※ M.B.A.(IB) : International Business

Leave of absence

- In principle, taking a leave of absence during the scholarship program period (September 2025 to August 2027, 24 months) is not allowed.
- However, if students have unavoidable reasons for leave of absence, he or she will be allowed only when getting an approval from both Suwon Center for International Cooperation (SWCIC) and Ajou University.
- Attending school beyond the designated scholarship period (September 2025-August 2027, 24 months) due to leave of absence, the student have to pay the full amount.