TWO-SEMESTER REQUIREMENT POLICY

One of the exciting and unique features of the curriculum at Mason Korea is that students are required to spend a year of their education at George Mason University’s main campus in Fairfax, Virginia. Students at the Korea campus build a strong foundation knowledge through the Mason Core and in their chosen academic field. They then move on to the Fairfax campus to deepen their subject area expertise and enjoy the wide variety of upper-level major electives to broaden their horizons. For these reasons, spending two semesters at the Fairfax campus is essential to achieve the best possible educational experience. Both campuses in Korea and Fairfax coordinate closely to help students prepare for transition and determine which courses should be taken at either campus.

Requirement

With this in mind, all students are required to spend at least two regular semesters (e.g. Spring, Fall) studying in Fairfax. You may choose to spend either your 6th and 7th semesters or your 7th and 8th semesters in Fairfax. Many students choose to stay in Fairfax for more than two semesters. While you are free to take summer courses in Fairfax during your transition year, summer session enrollment does not count toward the two-semester requirement. Students are not permitted to reduce the two-semester obligation by taking summer courses on the main campus, Mason Korea or other institutions, by taking credit overload, Study Elsewhere and Study Abroad courses, or through transfer credits from previous institutions. While these options may be useful tools for getting the most out of your Mason education, excessive or careless use of them may result in unnecessary credits and additional tuition costs. In order to avoid a situation where you must take additional courses beyond what is required for the degree to meet the two-semester requirement, students are strongly recommended to consult regularly with academic advisors about your course selection at Mason Korea and during your time in Fairfax.

Eligibility

In order to be considered eligible for transition to the Fairfax campus, students are required to complete all of the courses listed in semesters one through five (or six) of the four-year plans for their major prior to transition. They must also be in good academic standing (2.0 cumulative GPA or above). If you have any deviation from the four-year plan, you should meet with your academic advisor to confirm your eligibility and discuss the feasibility of transition to Fairfax campus.

I have read and understood the above information and agree to the terms of this document relating to Fairfax transition process.

Print your name  Signature  Date
Fairfax Transition Application

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student G-Number: __________________________ Student Name: __________________________
MasonLive Email: __________________________ Phone: __________________________
Major: __________________________ Minor: __________________________
Citizenship:                                    (check all that apply)
 Korean Citizen
 US Resident (green card holder or citizen)
 Other: __________________________
Application Type                                    
 Frist Time taking Fairfax courses
 Extending the current enrollment in Fairfax

STUDY PLAN

I wish to start my study in                    
Fairfax from
 Fall ______ Year
 Spring ______ Year
 Summer ______ Year
I intend to return to Korea in
 Fall ______ Year
 Spring ______ Year
 Summer ______ Year
I intend to graduate in Fairfax after the planned study

Comment ____________________________________________________________________________________

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Student should
• Take responsibility for registering for the above courses via Patriot Web.
• Consult with the advisor prior to making any changes to the course schedule outlined above.
• Consult with the advisor for schedule adjustment if there are any courses that I did not successfully complete after grades are posted for my first semester courses.
• Understand that if I do not successfully complete all of the required Fairfax-based coursework on the four-year plan for my degree program during the allocated two semesters may result in my having to spend an additional semester (or more) on the Fairfax campus.
• Understand that, if applicable, I must complete all minor-related coursework not offered on the Korea campus on the Fairfax campus prior to returning to the Korea campus.

I have also discussed the courses listed above with my academic advisor and hereby declare my intention to study in Fairfax campus.

Student Name __________________________ Signature __________________________ Date ________________

The student listed above has been advised and approved to be transitioned to Fairfax campus.

Advisor Comment ____________________________________________________________________________________

Advisor Name __________________________ Signature __________________________ Date ________________