

## Overseas Travel Risk Assessment: Student Mobility\_SOUTH KOREA

The purpose of this Risk Assessment is to ensure that members of the University community are unlikely to be exposed to unacceptable risks which could affect their health, safety or security when travelling abroad on behalf of the University.

This form should be completed by the individual wishing to travel prior to making any firm arrangements to travel, and must be completed in discussion with the relevant line manager or supervisor, allowing sufficient time in advance of travelling for any issues to be addressed.

Before completing this form you should ensure that you (and your manager/supervisor) are familiar with the contents of the Health and Safety and Insurance webpages on travelling abroad.

When completed and approved this risk assessment and its associated itinerary should be carried by the traveller(s) and a copy retained by the Department. Queries on the completion of this assessment should be directed to [HealthandSafetyAdmin@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:HealthandSafetyAdmin@warwick.ac.uk)

<b>Department:</b>	<b>Student Mobility, Student Opportunity</b>
<b>Location(s) to be visited:</b>	<b>SOUTH KOREA</b>
<b>Purpose of journey:</b>	<b>Student Mobility</b>
<b>Name and role of traveller(s):</b>	<b>List held with Student Mobility</b>
<b>Name of line manager or supervisor:</b>	<b>Jonathan French/Maria Fox (Head of Student Mobility)</b>
<b>Dates of proposed travel:</b>	<b>Academic Year 2025 – 2026</b>
<b>Information taken from:</b>	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/">https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/</a> (FCDO)
<b>Living In Country Guidance</b>	<p><a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/living-in-south-korea">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/living-in-south-korea</a></p> <p><b><u>Before you travel</u></b></p> <p>No travel can be guaranteed safe. Read all the advice in this guide and any specific travel advice that applies to you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">women travellers</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">disabled travellers</a></li> </ul>

- [LGBT+ travellers](#)
- [solo and independent travel](#)
- [volunteering and adventure travel](#)

**Travel insurance**

If you choose to travel, research your destinations and [get appropriate travel insurance](#). Insurance should cover your itinerary, planned activities and expenses in an emergency.

**About FCDO travel advice**

The Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) provides advice about risks of travel to help British nationals make informed decisions. Find out [more about FCDO travel advice](#).

[Sign-up for FCDO travel advice email alerts](#) and follow FCDO travel advice on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#)

Hazard/Consideration	Risk (High / Medium / Low)	Mitigating Actions (please add to or amend as appropriate)	Comments / Actions
<b>Money</b>			<p>The currency in SOUTH KOREA is the South Korean Won.</p> <p>It is almost impossible to change Scottish or Northern Irish bank notes. Credit cards are not always accepted outside major cities. ATMs are widely available, but do not always accept foreign cards. Those with a sign saying 'Global' will normally accept foreign cards.</p> <p>Research and make yourself fully aware of the cost of living for SOUTH KOREA. Some countries have a significantly higher cost of living than the UK, and this can seriously impact your placement. We have received feedback from previous students that being aware of this and having fully prepared for the increased cost is essential.</p>
<b>Visa Applications</b>			<p>You must ensure you have the correct visa. If you are studying, you will be provided with details directly from our partner university.</p>

If you intend to work, you must have the correct visa to enable you to work in the country otherwise you may be denied entry to the country. It is your responsibility to arrange the correct visa.

This advice reflects the UK government's understanding of current rules for people travelling on a full ['British citizen' passport](#) from the UK, for the most common types of travel.

The authorities in South Korea set and enforce entry rules. If you're not sure how these requirements apply to you, contact the [South Korean Embassy in the UK](#).

#### **Passport validity requirements**

If you are visiting as a tourist for up to 90 days, your passport must have an 'expiry date' after the date you are leaving South Korea.

If you are entering South Korea on a long-term visa, your passport should have an 'expiry date' at least 6 months after the date you arrive.

Check with your travel provider that your passport and other travel documents meet requirements. [Renew your passport](#) if you need to.

You will be denied entry if you do not have a valid travel document or try to use a passport that has been reported lost or stolen.

If you are travelling for any purpose other than short-term business or tourism, check visa requirements with the [South Korean Embassy in the UK](#).

For those in South Korea on a work visa, all employment changes must be authorised by Korean Immigration.

#### **Dual nationals**

When returning to the UK, British citizens must carry a valid [British passport](#) or [certificate of entitlement](#). See [Dual citizenship](#).

### **Entry declaration form**

Foreign nationals entering South Korea are required to submit an entry declaration form (arrivals card) to the immigration officer upon arrival. From 24 February 2025, passengers may submit an e-Arrival card online in advance instead of submitting a paper form to the immigration officers.

The e-Arrival card can be submitted up to 72 hours before arrival in South Korea. There is no fee to submit the e-Arrival card. Travellers should visit the [e-Arrival card website](#) for further details on the e-Arrival card submission process. Paper entry declaration forms will still be available until December 2025.

### **Health screening**

All travellers arriving in South Korea from 'Strict Quarantine Inspection Required Areas' (including those who have transited in a 'Strict Quarantine Inspection Required Area') need to submit a health questionnaire, either through the pre-entry Q-Code system or by completing a paper-based questionnaire on arrival in South Korea. Travellers arriving in South Korea from 'Quarantine Inspection Required Areas' who exhibit symptoms must also submit a Q-Code or paper-based health questionnaire.

As of 1 August 2025, the UK is designated as a 'Quarantine Inspection Required Area', meaning that if you have any symptoms of illness you must submit a Q-Code or paper-based health questionnaire on arrival.

Travellers should check the full list of [Quarantine Inspection Required Areas](#) prior to travel, as the countries on the lists change frequently. If you need to submit a questionnaire, you should also review the [Q-Code submission process](#). Failure to complete required health screenings could result in a fine of up to KRW 10 million.

### **Vaccination requirements**

At least 8 weeks before your trip, check the [vaccinations and certificates you need in TravelHealthPro's South Korea guide](#).

### **Customs rules**

There are strict rules about [goods you can take into or out of South Korea](#). You must declare anything that may be prohibited or subject to tax or duty.

<p><b>Local knowledge, understanding of customs and conditions</b></p> <p><b>Cultural differences</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of travel to, or working in, the region before</li> <li>• Obtain guidance and information from the host organisation</li> <li>• Research via relevant web-sites</li> <li>• Consider dress, behaviours and sensitivities</li> <li>• Local laws, fees or levies.</li> <li>• Awareness of attitudes towards protected characteristics, e.g. disability, sexual orientation, gender reassignment etc.</li> <li>• Dress in accordance with local laws/customs</li> <li>• Avoid behaviour that may fall foul of local customs/laws/cultures.</li> <li>• Report and support at Warwick: <a href="https://warwick.ac.uk/students/welcome/spring/livingatuniversity/reportandsupport">https://warwick.ac.uk/students/welcome/spring/livingatuniversity/reportandsupport</a></li> </ul>	<p><b>Personal ID</b></p> <p>It is a legal requirement to carry some form of identification, but people are rarely asked to show it.</p> <p><b>Illegal drugs and prison sentences</b> If you're convicted of possession, use or trafficking of illegal drugs you can face a long jail sentence and heavy fines. This applies even to personal use of small amounts of marijuana. British nationals have been detained solely on the basis of drug tests.</p>
<p><b>Equality and Diversity</b></p> <p><b>LGBTQ information</b></p>			<p>Same-sex relationships are not illegal and LGBT+ rights organisations are steadily gaining support. The LGBT+ community is well established and growing in visibility. <a href="#">See our information and advice page</a> for the LGBT+ community before you travel.</p>
<p><b>Social/Political</b></p> <p><b>Unrest or Terrorism:</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the FCDO website for up-to-date advice.</li> <li>• If the FCDO advises against travel to destination(s) on safety/security grounds then seek approval from HoD/Line Manager</li> <li>• Consider not just the country in question but also any territories as identified in FCDO pages</li> <li>• Reschedule visit or modify itinerary if at all feasible.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Terrorism</b></p> <p>There is a high threat of terrorist attack globally affecting UK interests and British nationals, including from groups and individuals who view the UK and British nationals as targets. Stay aware of your surroundings at all times.</p> <p>UK Counter Terrorism Policing has information and advice on <a href="#">staying safe abroad</a> and what to do in the event of a terrorist attack. Find out <a href="#">how to reduce your risk from terrorism while abroad</a>.</p> <p><b>Terrorism in South Korea</b></p> <p>Although there's no recent history of terrorism in South Korea, attacks cannot be ruled out.</p>

**Political situation**

The level of tension and the security situation on the Korean Peninsula can change with little notice. Tensions can rise after missile tests by North Korea and during the regular South Korean-US military exercises, which take place throughout the year. Follow the advice of local authorities and keep up to date with developments, which will be reported on news broadcasts.

The demilitarised zone (DMZ) separates North Korea and South Korea. Peace has been maintained under an armistice agreement, but no formal peace treaty has ever been signed. If you're in the area of the DMZ, you should exercise caution and follow the advice of the local authorities.

**National service**

If you are a British male of Korean origin whose name appears on the Korean family register, you may be liable for military service even if you are travelling on your British passport.

**Demonstrations**

Public demonstrations in South Korea are common, particularly at times of elevated political tensions. These gatherings are mostly peaceful and well-policed. Be aware that under Korean law, it is illegal for foreign nationals to take part in political activities when in the country. While in South Korea, pay attention to media reporting on political tensions and planned demonstrations, follow the advice of local authorities, and avoid large public gatherings.

**Civil emergency exercises and advice**

South Korean authorities sometimes hold civil emergency exercises. You'll hear sirens to mark the start the exercise. All vehicles must stop and sometimes people will have to descend into designated metro stations or basements. You do not need to participate but do follow any instructions from officials during these exercises.

**Contingency planning**

The government's Emergency Ready App, available on [iOS](#) and [Android](#), explains the possible civil emergency alerts which would be pushed to your mobile in an emergency.

As part of your own contingency planning, make sure you have easy access to your passport and other important documents such as nationality documents and birth and marriage certificates, as well as any essential medication. Consider saving the [contact details for the embassy](#) so that

			<p>you can access them quickly if needed. Make sure to share your contact details with your family and friends.</p>
<p><b>Crime:</b></p> <p><b>Personal attack / kidnap: Dangers associated with travelling alone; arriving at night, etc.:</b></p> <p><b>Theft or loss of ID documents and other belongings: passport, driving license, bank cards, travel tickets, laptop</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awareness of risk of theft or pickpockets</li> <li>• Awareness of local scams or hotspots</li> <li>• Cash and card security/awareness</li> <li>• Be aware of specific local risks</li> <li>• Precautionary measures should be taken to protect personal safety.</li> <li>• Inform hosts of itinerary.</li> <li>• Be aware of specific local risks.</li> <li>• Travel during daylight hours if possible.</li> <li>• Keep items secure.</li> <li>• Record details of numbers, issue dates, etc. and store separately both with you and at home.</li> <li>• Have emergency contact numbers</li> <li>• Report to police if theft suspected</li> <li>• Minimise amount of cash carried</li> </ul>	<p>For emergency assistance, or to report a crime, call 112 for police (a 24 hour interpretation service is available) and 119 for ambulance and fire.</p> <p><b>Crime</b></p> <p>Crime against foreigners is rare but there are occasional thefts. Take extra care of passports, credit cards and money in crowded areas and in areas visited by foreigners, such as Itaewon. While most reported crimes are thefts, there have been cases of assault, including sexual assault, particularly around bars and nightlife areas. Take care when travelling alone at night and only use legitimate taxis or public transport.</p> <p>Take extra care of passports, credit cards and money in crowded areas and be careful in areas visited by foreigners, such as Itaewon. Take care when travelling alone at night and only use legitimate taxis or public transport.</p> <p>For emergency assistance, or to report a crime, call 112 for police (a 24 hour interpretation service is available) and 119 for ambulance and fire.</p> <p>Make sure to stay safe, especially, in bars and nightlife areas by taking precautions such as, arranging a safe way home, drinking in moderation and not leaving your drinks unattended. Please see the following article for more tips on having a safe night out: <a href="https://crimestoppers-uk.org/campaigns-media/blog/2017/dec/7-top-tips-for-a-safe-night-out">https://crimestoppers-uk.org/campaigns-media/blog/2017/dec/7-top-tips-for-a-safe-night-out</a></p> <p><b><u>Warwick Business Travel Insurance Details –</u></b></p> <p>Only emergency medical treatment is covered under this policy. Please note that there is no emergency medical cover if you are a national in the country you need medical attention in. For emergency medical assistance or security assistance (if there is risk to your personal safety) please call the number on the following page: <a href="https://warwick.ac.uk/services/legalandcomplianceservices/insurance/keypolicies/traveloverseas">https://warwick.ac.uk/services/legalandcomplianceservices/insurance/keypolicies/traveloverseas</a></p> <p>Report and Support: <a href="https://reportandsupport.warwick.ac.uk/">https://reportandsupport.warwick.ac.uk/</a></p> <p>Wellbeing Services: <a href="https://warwick.ac.uk/services/wss/">https://warwick.ac.uk/services/wss/</a></p>

<p><b>Travel Preparation</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to date EHIC/GHIC if eligible (transit)</li> <li>• Valid vehicle insurance (you cannot use the Business Travel Insurance policy).</li> </ul>	<p>Before you travel check that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• your destination can provide the healthcare you may need</li> <li>• you have <a href="#">appropriate travel insurance</a> for local treatment or unexpected medical evacuation</li> </ul> <p>This is particularly important if you have a health condition or are pregnant.</p> <p><b>Emergency medical number</b></p> <p>Call 119 and ask for an ambulance.</p> <p>Contact your insurance company promptly if you're referred to a medical facility for treatment.</p> <p><b>Vaccinations and health risks</b></p> <p>At least 8 weeks before your trip check:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the latest information on <a href="#">vaccinations and health risks in TravelHealthPro's South Korea guide</a></li> <li>• where to get vaccines and whether you have to pay on the <a href="#">NHS travel vaccinations page</a></li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">what health risks you'll face in South Korea</a>, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• malaria</li> <li>• insect and tick bites</li> <li>• tick-borne encephalitis</li> </ul> <p>Air pollution, including yellow dust pollution, is common, especially during spring months. Follow local media reporting and check the <a href="#">Korean Meteorological Administration</a> website. On days when concentrations are high, most residents will stay indoors or use face masks outside. It's also important to drink plenty of water.</p>
<p><b>Exposure to infection: Known endemic illnesses in destination(s)</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take medical advice and arrange vaccination/inoculation/prophylaxis as appropriate</li> <li>• Consider the following conditions in particular: Cholera, Diphtheria, Hepatitis B, Japanese Encephalitis,</li> </ul>	<p><b>Health risks</b></p> <p>In spring there's a risk of tick-borne disease across Korea. The national Disease Control and Prevention Centre advise all people taking part in leisure activities on grass to wear long sleeved shirts/tops and trousers.</p>

		<p>Malaria, Meningitis, Poliomyelitis, Tetanus, Tick-borne Encephalitis, Tuberculosis, Typhoid and Yellow Fever.</p>	<p>Air pollution, including yellow dust pollution, is common in South Korea throughout the year and especially during spring months. When the concentration levels of dust particles are high, residents and visitors are advised to stay indoors as much as possible, close windows and drink plenty of water. This is particularly important for the elderly and those with respiratory problems. Follow local media reporting and the <a href="#">Korean Meteorological Service website</a> for the latest advice.</p>
<p><b>Pre-existing medical conditions</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take medical advice.</li> <li>• Carry written details of medical condition, adequate supplies of prescribed medication, details of blood group, etc.</li> <li>• Consider translation of information into local language.</li> <li>• Share with colleagues where appropriate</li> </ul>	<p>If you're on prescription medication, make sure you bring enough with you or have access to a supply in SOUTH KOREA. Certain medicines may not be available and you <u>may be prohibited</u> from bringing others into the country. For more information and advice, check with your GP and the Embassy of SOUTH KOREA before travelling.</p> <p>If you have a health condition, or you are pregnant, you may need specialist healthcare abroad. Check whether your destination country can provide the healthcare you may need and ensure you have <a href="#">appropriate travel insurance</a> for unexpected medical evacuation or local treatment.</p> <p><b>Medication</b></p> <p>The legal status and regulation of some medicines prescribed or bought in the UK can be different in other countries.</p> <p>South Korean customs authorities allow you to bring small amounts of medication for your personal use, if it is kept in carry-on baggage. Take an English language prescription from your doctor at home for both your prescription drugs and non-prescription medicines. Consult the website of the <a href="#">South Korean Ministry of Food and Drug Safety</a> before you travel to South Korea.</p> <p>Read <a href="#">best practice when travelling with medicines on TravelHealthPro</a>.</p> <p>The NHS has information on <a href="#">whether you can take your medicine abroad</a>.</p>
<p><b>Health and Local medical facilities</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospital proximity and standards.</li> <li>• Access to doctors/dentists.</li> <li>• Payment methods for medical treatment.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Healthcare facilities in South Korea</b></p> <p>Medical and dental care in South Korea is usually of a good standard, but can be expensive. Staff may not speak English. Make sure you have adequate travel health insurance and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment abroad and repatriation.</p>

If you need to stay in a South Korean hospital, particularly if your condition is severe, the hospital may ask you to bring a guardian or 'bohoja' to assist you with basic care needs such as trips to the bathroom, washing and exercise. It is possible to find agencies who will provide a caregiver or 'ganbyungin' for a fee, but these caregivers generally do not speak English. If you know that you may need to enter a Korean hospital, you should try to organise a guardian such as a friend or relative in advance.

FCDO has a [list of medical providers in South Korea](#) where some staff will speak English.

There is also [guidance on healthcare if you're living in South Korea](#).

#### **Doctor shortage**

South Korea is experiencing an ongoing doctor shortage which could cause disruption and delays at hospitals nationwide, including at large hospitals with international clinics. Patients may experience postponed surgeries and cancelled medical appointments. Some hospitals are prioritising access to emergency care based on the severity of injury or illness, which may result in complications accessing emergency care. Private hospitals and clinics are generally less affected but may still experience some disruptions.

The South Korean Ministry of Health and Welfare (MOHW) maintains an [online database](#) (in Korean) of emergency services at available medical centres nationwide.

#### **Medical tourism**

If you are travelling to South Korea for elective treatment, such as cosmetic surgery or a dental procedure, consider that no medical procedure is risk-free. Make sure that your travel health insurance covers complications that may arise and repatriation to the UK if required.

#### **Travel and mental health**

Read [FCDO guidance on travel and mental health](#). There is also [mental health guidance on TravelHealthPro](#).

#### **Emergency services in South Korea**

- Ambulance: 119
- Fire: 119
- Police: 112

			<p><b>English language support</b>  The Korea Tourism Organisation (KTO) operates a travel hotline to provide assistance in multiple languages, including English. The hotline also offers interpretation services, including support for three-way calls (e.g. between British nationals, the hotline and emergency services) from 7am to midnight. Call 1330 to contact the travel hotline.</p> <p>Remote interpretation services may be helpful in the case of emergency or out of hours support. The following call centres offer interpretation support, including three-way calls, to foreigners in South Korea:</p> <p>Dasan Call Centre (+82 2 120) – available 9am to 6pm Monday-Friday  Danuri Call Centre (1577 1366) – available 24/7</p> <p><b>Medical treatment</b>  As stated above, make sure you have adequate travel health insurance and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment abroad and repatriation. The cost of medical treatment in <b>SOUTH KOREA</b> can be high.</p> <p><b>If you have a medical emergency contact the University Insurance company immediately:</b>  <a href="https://warwick.ac.uk/services/legalandcomplianceservices/insurance/keypolicies/traveloverseas">https://warwick.ac.uk/services/legalandcomplianceservices/insurance/keypolicies/traveloverseas</a></p> <p><b>Please note that there is no emergency medical cover if you are a national in the country you need medical attention in.</b></p> <p><b>Note: The University Business Travel Insurance is not private health cover. The insurance is for emergency health treatment only. You may also wish to take out private health insurance for the duration of your stay.</b></p> <p><b>Wellbeing Services:</b> <a href="https://warwick.ac.uk/services/wss/">https://warwick.ac.uk/services/wss/</a></p>
<p><b>Accommodation</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-book accommodation</li> <li>• Stay in recognised accommodation</li> <li>• Familiarise yourself with emergency exits</li> <li>• Security staff and arrangements</li> <li>• Secure storage/safes</li> </ul>	<p>Student mobility students hosted at a partner University will be supported with finding accommodation by the partner.</p> <p>Language Assistants are supported by the School(s) that they are allocated to by the British Council</p> <p>Work placements students are required to find their own accommodation with local support.</p>

			<p>Suitable accommodation can be difficult to identify and secure, it is recommended that you don't leave it too late to find this. We have had students whose placements have been impacted by being unable to secure suitable accommodation.</p> <p>Please be aware that some partner Universities have compulsory 'meal plans' these can prove to be expensive if you have special dietary requirements.</p>
<b>Transport</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use only registered taxis</li> <li>• Arrange airport collection where possible</li> <li>• Check safety and road worthiness of any hire vehicle</li> <li>• Avoid driving at night</li> <li>• If possible, share long distance driving</li> <li>• Ensure all internal transfers are booked in advance of travel (where possible).</li> </ul>	<p><b>Road travel</b></p> <p>If you are planning to drive in South Korea, see <a href="#">information on driving abroad</a> and read the <a href="#">Korea Tourism Organization's driving in Korea guidance</a>. The guide lists driving regulations and other legal requirements you need to be aware of.</p> <p>You'll need to have both the <a href="#">1949 international driving permit (IDP)</a> and your UK driving licence with you in the car when you drive in South Korea. You cannot buy an IDP outside the UK, so get one before you travel.</p> <p>The police take the position that car and motorbike drivers are at fault in accidents involving cyclists or pedestrians. If you injure someone in an accident, you are likely to face criminal charges and heavy penalties, even if guilt is not proved.</p> <p>The legal limit for alcohol in South Korea is less than half the limit in England, and penalties for drink-driving include prison and fines.</p> <p><b>Taxis</b></p> <p>Taxi drivers tend to speak little or no English. It is helpful to have your destination written in Korean – if possible with a map.</p>
<b>Communications</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider access to landlines or alternative handsets if mobile phone is lost or stolen.</li> <li>• Back-up chargers or batteries for phones or electronic devices</li> <li>• Access to network or wi-fi</li> </ul>	Loss of mobile phones or laptops are not covered on the University Insurance policy
<b>Utilities/Cyber Issues</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compatibility of equipment</li> <li>• Voltages and safety equipment</li> <li>• Power cuts or interruptions</li> </ul>	Check whether plug adapters will be required
<b>Insect and animal bites</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider likely insect/animal issues in particular area</li> <li>• Avoid by prevention – repellents, clothing, etc.</li> <li>• Consider use of nets in accommodation</li> <li>• Carry appropriate treatment</li> </ul>	In spring there's a risk of tick-borne disease across Korea. The national Disease Control and Prevention Centre advise all people taking part in leisure activities on grass to wear long sleeved shirts/tops and trousers.
<b>Contaminated water/food</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Avoid food or water which could be contaminated.</li> <li>• Carry water sterilising tablets.</li> </ul>	Check whether bottled water is recommended

<b>Minor injuries and ailments</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carry basic First Aid kit.</li> </ul>	
<b>Sunburn</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Avoid by prevention – hat, sunglasses, and sunblock.</li> <li>• Carry appropriate treatment.</li> </ul>	
<b>Leisure activities</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure you are adequately insured (the University insurance does <u>not</u> provide cover for non-business related activity)</li> <li>• Skiing, white water, bungee jumping, diving. Etc.</li> </ul>	<p>The Warwick Business Travel Insurance will not provide cover for non-business (study) related activity. Ensure you take out personal insurance. Also having the correct license if you are hiring a vehicle is essential.</p>
<b>Natural disasters</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of the risk of typhoons, earthquake, tsunami, avalanche, etc</li> </ul>	<p><b>Extreme weather and natural disasters</b></p> <p>If there is a natural disaster, or the threat of one, the South Korean government will publish updates in Korean and English to the <a href="#">Natural Disaster Safety Portal</a>.</p> <p>The government’s Emergency Ready App, available on <a href="#">iOS</a> and <a href="#">Android</a>, explains the possible alerts which would be pushed to your mobile.</p> <p>Find out what you can do to prepare for and respond to <a href="#">extreme weather and natural hazards</a>.</p> <p><b>Typhoons</b></p> <p>The typhoon season normally runs from June to November. You should monitor the progress of approaching storms with the <a href="#">Korea Meteorological Administration</a> or call 131 in Korea to get an accurate weather forecast in English. Always follow any advice given by the local authorities.</p> <p><b>Flooding and landslides</b></p> <p>South Korea has heavy rainfall across the country during the summer rainy season, usually in June and July. Torrential rain may cause flooding near rivers and creeks, including in built-up areas. Flash floods are common in areas downstream from large reservoirs or rivers, even after relatively short periods of intense rainfall. Landslides are possible in hilly and mountainous areas.</p>

			<p>You should monitor forecasts for heavy rainfall with the <a href="#">Korea Meteorological Administration</a> and follow any advice given by the local authorities.</p> <p><b>Earthquakes</b></p> <p>Strong earthquakes are unusual in South Korea but do happen. Most earthquakes in South Korea are relatively weak. The <a href="#">Korea Meteorological Administration</a> publishes information on earthquakes.</p> <p>Read up on the any guidance from local authorities on safety procedures in an earthquake and check the safety tips from the <a href="#">Seoul Metropolitan Government</a>.</p> <p><b>Forest fires</b></p> <p>Forest fires may occur in South Korea. Pay attention to warnings from local authorities and follow any safety instructions that they issue. Korean-language emergency alerts will automatically be sent to your mobile phone if you are in an affected area, and English-language translations of emergency alerts can be accessed on the <a href="#">National Disaster and Safety Portal</a> and in the <a href="#">Emergency Ready App</a>.</p> <p>You can track the location and progress of fires through the Korea Forest Service website in <a href="#">English</a> and <a href="#">Korean</a>.</p>
<b>Research or work activities</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awareness of safe systems of work</li> <li>• Awareness of local safety measures</li> <li>• Remoteness of work sites</li> </ul>	Will be covered by the Host Institution
<b>Completed by Department:</b>			<b>Student Mobility, STUDENT OPPORTUNITY</b>
<b>Date:</b>			<b>Monday, 22 December 2025</b>
			<b><u><a href="#">Frequently Asked Questions (warwick.ac.uk)</a></u></b>