

Chonnam National University

GLOBAL MBA Program

International Admissions Guidelines

For 2012



GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

CHONNAM NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

<http://mba.chonnam.ac.kr>

Chonnam National University (CNU), Southwestern Korea's flagship university, has remained steadfast in its goal to foster future leaders and professionals, focusing on maintaining excellence in research and scholarship as well as education since its establishment in 1952.

The CNU Graduate School of Business (GSB) was first founded in 1969 and revitalized in March 2007 under the supervision of the Korean Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology (MEST). Chonnam National University's GSB was the second national university authorized by the MEST to provide MBA programs in Korea. Its alumni have gained recognition for their talent and performance. The CNU MBA program reflects the needs and demands of the ever-changing and challenging global business environment. It integrates academic theory and relevant practice crucial to quality post-graduate business training for global leaders of the 21st Century.

The CNU GLOBAL MBA Program has maintained and enhanced its reputation through internationally-cooperated program and global standardization, while building internal stability by securing excellent faculty, an efficient network, and a professional academic system. The program includes core courses that provide students with essential knowledge in a variety of management fields and offers an extensive range of elective courses from which students can choose to tailor the program to their interests and career goals.

DEADLINES FOR YEAR 2012

Application Deadline	Interview	Admission Results	Tuition Payment
April 12	April 23 ~ April 27	May 10	May 21 ~ May 25

※Once the submission is completed, applicants will be notified for interviews via email or by phone.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Applicants are encouraged to adhere to the following guidelines and submit all required materials to allow for timely decisions.

Please note required forms are downloadable from the GSB website (<http://mba.chonnam.ac.kr>).

A complete application package must include:

- Completed application forms
- Two confidential letters of recommendation, using the form provided, submitted in an envelope sealed by the referees. The referee's signature should be written across the sealed envelope flap.
- Essay (400-word limit each)
 - Essay 1: Explain why you are interested in pursuing an MBA. Describe how this degree will influence your future career and your short-term and long-term career goals.
 - Essay 2: Describe in detail a situation where you had to make an important decision. How did you make the decision and what personal attributes were most helpful in that situation? How has this experience affected you today?
 - Essay 3: Describe what you believe to be your two most substantial accomplishments to date, and explain why you view them as such.
- Official academic transcripts from every college/university attended
- Degree certificate
- Resume
- TOEFL, IELTS, or GMAT score report or equivalent
- A Copy of passport
- Two Photos (3.5*4.5 cm size)
- Proof of employment (if applicable)

ADMISSION CRITERIA

We take into account factors such as their background, academic record, English proficiency, experiences, interview, essay, letter of reference and etc.

The minimum admission requirements and criteria are described below.

- A bachelor's degree

International applicants must have a bachelor's degree from an approved (accredited) institution or its equivalent stipulated by regulations set by Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development, Korean Government. Applicants currently working for bachelor's degree should complete their degree before the end of August 2008. Admission will be cancelled if admitted students fail to complete their degree in time.

- Statement of adequate financial resources

International students are required to provide a statement that shows applicants have adequate financial resources for the expected duration of the program. This is one of the requirements for visa issuance by the Korean Immigration Office.

- Foundation courses

Those who have not taken Principle of Accounting and Business Statistics in their undergraduate study are required to take them as foundations not for credits before the program starts. International students need to arrive at the campus earlier as foundation courses starts in mid July. Applicants will be notified with admission if they are required to take foundation courses.

- Computer Literacy

All MBA students are expected to possess sufficient knowledge of spreadsheet and presentation software. Mastering computer skills such as document layout, graphic insertion, spreadsheet functions, and on-line communications are left for students.

Application Checklist

Applicants are responsible for completing and assembling the application package, and mailing it to arrive prior to the deadline. Only the complete application with all the supporting documents will be reviewed and considered for admission to the MBA program. If you have concerns about documents arriving late, please contact the [Admission Officer](#).

A complete package of application for admission includes the following materials.

Application for Admission

Fill out with your personal information, educational background, study plan and others on the form provided.

Resume

Fill out with your academic achievements and work experience if applicable. Please indicate the type of the firm, the dates of employment, and scope of the job you performed.

Transcript / Academic Records

Please make sure to include official transcript / academic records, which identify the degree, major and courses completed from each institution attended since high school. If your degree and date awarded do not appear on your transcript / academic records, submit an official certificate of the degree awarded. Records must have a seal and signature from the institution's authorized official. For degrees from international institutions, transcript / academic records must be in official English translations.

Two letters of recommendation

Carefully select two references who know you well enough to provide a broad range of input related with your educational

background, work experience, and potential to succeed in the MBA program. Have your references to fill out the recommendation form downloaded from Application Packet.

The letters should be in a sealed envelop with a signature of reference across the sealed envelop flap.

English proficiency

International applicants whose native language is other than English or whose undergraduate instruction was not in English must provide TOEFL, IELTS, or other official English test scores taken within two years of their intended start term at the Graduate School of Business. International applicants with an undergraduate degree from US, UK, Canada, Australia, or other English speaking countries may request a waiver of this requirement. For a waiver, email the [Admission Officer](#).

Essay (400-word limit each)

Essay 1: Explain why you are interested in pursuing an MBA. Describe how this degree will influence your future career and your short-term and long-term career goals.

Essay 2: Describe in detail a situation where you had to make an important decision. How did you make the decision and what personal attributes were most helpful in that situation? How has this experience affected you today?

Essay 3: Describe what you believe to be your two most substantial accomplishments to date, and explain why you view them as such.

Statement of Financial Resources

All international applicants are required to submit evidence of financial resources along with the application for admission. The Graduate School of Business will not be able to finalize admission and issue visa documentation until evidence of financial support for the entire duration of the program is provided. All signatures on the form must be officially witnessed and/or notarized. Please download Statement of Financial Resources from this website, fill out the form, and make sure to enclose it in your Application Package.

Transcript Release

All applicants are required to fill out the Transcript Release downloaded from this website. The form will be used to verify applicant's records.

All applicants should note the followings.

- Incomplete applications will not be processed.
- No submitted documents will be returned.
- Fall semester begins August 27, 2012 All admitted students should arrive at campus at least 10 days before the semester starts in order to participate in the orientation for new students. Those required to take foundations are required to arrive earlier as notified with admission decision.
- Any applicants who furnish false information and documents will not be admitted and, if admitted, their admissions will be annulled.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant and his/her parents must have foreign citizenships.
- Applicants must hold a Bachelor's degree as of August 30, 2012.

APPLICATION FEE

The application fee will be waived for international applicants.

TUITION FEES

1 st Semester	2 nd Semester	3 rd Semester	4 th Semester
KRW6,571,000 (USD5720)	KRW6,393,000 (USD5560)	KRW6,393,000 (USD5560)	KRW6,393,000 (USD5560)

※ Tuition rates are subject to change based on tuition increases.

※ The payment notification will be sent via email.

SCHOLARSHIPS

International scholarship awards range from partial to full tuition. Scholarships are selected on the basis of academic excellence, development potential, language proficiency, career and financial needs.

The school provides many scholarships for students allowing them to concentrate on their studies. The CNU GSB provides scholarships worth up to USD25,000 to promising students who are ready to make a difference in the world. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic excellence, development potential, language proficiency, career path and financial needs.

In addition, the Korean Government is recruiting elite students from around the world. Application to the CNU programs can be made through this Korean government scholarship program.

OTHER SUPPORTS

- Korean language courses will be provided to improve your communication skills.
- Health insurance will be covered during academic year.
- Housing fee will be subsidized for the first semester by the office of international affairs.

HOUSING

Although both on- and off-campus housing are available for international students, an on-campus residence hall is recommended for convenience and safety. The hall is available on a first come, first serve basis, and its estimated cost ranges from USD 1,300 (double occupancy, no meal option) to USD 3,700 year. The hall is equipped with facilities such as a study hall, a common room, computer lab, and a laundry room. On the first floor are cafeterias, coffee shops, a hair salon, a stationary store, and a bank which provide students with important amenities and a comfortable life at CNU.

GWANGJU, KOREA

Gwangju, a bustling hub in southwestern Korea, is the fifth largest city in the country with a population exceeding 1.5 million. Though better known as the capital of culture and arts due to its rich tradition and heritage, the city has thrived in recent years due to growing high-tech industries. Internationally renowned firms such as Samsung Electronics, LG Innotek, and Kia Motors have headquarters in the city. Petroleum and chemical, steel mill, and shipbuilding industry complexes are strewn within an hour of the city.

The natural beauty of Gwangju and the surrounding province is one of the region's greatest attractions. Korea has four distinct seasons. The city is also famous for its unique southern cuisine and restaurants. With affordable amenities and beautiful natural surroundings, Gwangju is one of the most livable places in Korea, and an educational destination for a growing number of students every year.