

Student Exchange Program for Spring 2026 semester
The Elliott School of International Affairs, the George Washington University

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Master's program students who want to apply for the **non-degree, exchange student program for Spring 2026 semester** (from January to May) are required to submit the application documents to GSIS main office no later than **2025. 10. 10.(Fri) 17:00**. Nominees should have a strong interest in global issues, regional studies, and/or other fields with an international focus.

Application for GSIS office nomination(to be submitted to GSIS office)

- Application form (use attached form, with picture)
- A copy of official academic transcripts from every university, professional school or other institution(s) of higher education attended(The CGPA from Ewha GSIS should be above 3.5 out of 4.3)
- A copy of TOEFL: score at least 100 IBT, IELTS overall score of 7.0 (with no individual band score below 6.0) is required
- A statement of purpose (no form)
- One letter of Recommendation (to be submitted directly to GSIS main office (gsis@ewha.ac.kr) from the recommender)
- A copy of current resume or C.V.

* GSIS office can recommend students, however, all the rights are fundamentally granted under GWU admission office.

After nomination (for Elliott School online system)

- * Nominated students by GSIS office are required to log on Elliott School online system:
Upon receipt of the nominations from GSIS, Elliott School will open the on-line application for students and provide instructions to them via automated email. The application process requires students to complete information on-line **(by around October 31, 2025)**.
- Each application requires the following on-line Fillable Forms:
- √ Elliott School Exchange Application
 - √ Official Transcripts: The applicant must upload scanned copies of current and prior academic transcripts.
 - √ Passport and Prior U.S. Visa History Information: The application must upload a scanned copy of a current passport and any prior U.S. visas.
 - √ Proof of English Language Competency: Study at GW requires strong proficiency in English. The applicant must upload scanned copies of current TOEFL or IELTS score reports. The English language scores noted below are the minimum test scores accepted for the exchange program:
 - TOEFL score minimum requirements: 100 on the TOEFL Internet Exam
 - IELTS score minimum requirements: Overall band score of 7.0, with no individual band score below 6.0
 - √ Visa Request and Financial Certificate Form for International Students: To determine whether an exchange application is eligible for a *Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor Status (J-1) Visa*, form DS 2019, GW requires each student to complete this form at time of application as well as upload scanned copies of supporting financial documentation from the student's bank or sponsor's bank. Additional information on the Acquiring a Visa is available at <https://internationalservices.gwu.edu/immigration-acquiring-visa>
 - √ Proof of Funding

The expected schedule for Spring semester at the GW Elliott School (Tentative)

Nominations received	No later than Oct 15 (Tentative)
Deadline for students to complete on-line application	October 31 (Tentative)
Notification of Acceptance	Late October (Tentative)
GW mails visa certificate	November (Tentative)
Orientation activities	Second week of January
Classes Start	Third week of January
Classes and Finals end	First week of May

Credit Transfer

By GSIS current policy, among credits taken at GWU, up to 12 credits per semester can be accepted as credits towards graduation of Ewha GSIS. In total, up to 12 credits taken from outside of GSIS can be accepted credits towards graduation of Ewha GSIS.

Tuition and Housing

Exchange students will pay tuition to Ewha GSIS only and receive a waiver of tuition and tuition-based fees from the Elliott School. Students are responsible for all expenses including, but not limited to, travel, housing, food, books, health insurance, etc. Students need to seek their own housing with assistance from the relevant offices from the Elliott School.

* **Please refer to the attached file:** Exchange program application form (to be submitted to GSIS office)

* **Exchange student program website:** <https://elliott.gwu.edu/international-students>

Inquiry: GSIS main office gsis@ewha.ac.kr