



MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Post Study Prospects in Republic of Korea

According to the Embassy of India in Republic of Korea the Post Study prospects in ROK are as follows:

Prospect of extension of visas for interns/job seekers

According to the “Study Korea 300K Project in Seoul” (which is the new scheme of the Ministry of Education’s five-year plan by 2027), the Ministry would establish a fast-track visa system to attract foreign science and technology talent in collaboration with the Ministry of Justice. Once the system takes effect, students with either a master’s or doctoral degree in science and technology can receive permanent resident status or Korean citizenship in three years instead of the usual six. As part of post-graduate work programs, the Ministry of Education will also help students in S&T to gain work experience in their field at medium-sized companies after graduating. Those with a D-2 visa, or student visa holders, will be able to work up to 40 hours per week. Previously, they were not allowed to work more than 25 hours per week. Foreign students can also do up to 30 hours of part-time work. Separately, a “Science card”, which includes incentives such as a longer stay in Korea, will be given to international students recruited by national research institutes.

Placed below are details of work related opportunities for students completing their graduation:-

1) Once a year the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy and KOTRA holds an annual event called Global Talent Fair. It’s been 16 years since the fair started and it is the biggest job fair for international students in South Korea.

(Website: <https://jffis.kotra.biz/fairDash.do>)

2) Each province holds job fairs e.g. “Job Fair for International Students in Busan 2023”.

3) Major career platforms for the recruitment in Korea are as follows:

a. Jobkorea: <https://www.jobkorea.co.kr>

b. Incruit: <https://www.jobkorea.co.kr>

c. Saramin: <https://www.saramin.co.kr>

d. Global-LINK: <https://g-link.co.kr> (Especially for foreigners)

However, international students need to search carefully for the job opportunities that are open to foreigners, as most job opportunities are not open to them. Sometimes major career platforms such as Jobkorea hold "Career Summits" for international students to support their efforts to find jobs.

The availability for employment visas for Indian students in Korea is as follows:-

a) The Korean Government does not recognize anything called internship Visa. It grants either a “Student visa” or “Job visa”.

b) D-10 work visa is granted to those students who have studied in Korea. It is not granted to those applying from outside of the country.

c) First D-10 visa is granted for a 6 month period without any pre-conditions, however, for subsequent extensions, certification up to Korea Level 3 is required (TOPIK-III). The D-10 visa can be extended to a maximum period of 2 years i.e. it can be applied for 4 times every 6 months.

d) There are good job opportunities for those students who complete their education in Korea and have good language skills in Korean. Otherwise, getting jobs becomes difficult, if not impossible.

In addition, we are sharing a Korean government link as well as an excel file which contains the list of all the 414 universities in Korea and their websites. Since its a Korean Government website, the webpage itself is in Korean language though the names of universities are given in both Korean and English making it a useful resource.

https://www.academyinfo.go.kr/brd/brd0520/selectDetail.do?ntce_sntc_sno=148&bbs_gubun=rfbr&no=145