



**Message re: UGA Exchange program to South Korea
February 27, 2020**

Dear {student},

Due to your participation in a UGA Exchange program to South Korea, we are reaching out to you with this update.

On February 25, 2020, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued "Warning Level 3: Avoid Nonessential Travel" for South Korea based on the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the country. U.S. Department of State elevated its travel advisory to "Level 3: Reconsider Travel" on February 26, 2020. This is an escalation from previous warnings. A novel coronavirus disease, recently designated as COVID-19, is causing an outbreak of respiratory illness.

Given this development, and after consulting with the UGA Risk Management Committee, **OGE is suspending all Spring 2020 study abroad and exchange programs in South Korea, effective immediately**, in compliance with [UGA International Travel Policy](#).

We are requesting all UGA study abroad students in South Korea impacted by this decision to return to the United States. We are ready to assist you and will work with you on academic and financial concerns.

Sincerely,

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