

NUSOD 2009 Travel Information for Foreign Visitors

From Incheon International Airport to Gwangju

For most foreign countries, there is no direct flight from your country to Gwangju City. Instead, you will enter the country through Incheon International airport. There are two ways to get to Gwangju from Incheon Airport; by bus or by air.

(A) By Bus: (Incheon airport → Gwangju Express Bus Terminal → GIST)

(B) By Air: (Incheon airport → Gimpo Airport → Gwangju Airport → GIST)

We recommend to take the direct bus (A) because it is more straightforward and cost effective.



(A) By Bus: (Incheon airport → Gwangju Express Bus Terminal → GIST)

Step 1. At the Incheon airport. (**Incheon airport → Gwangju Express Bus Terminal → GIST**)

In order to ride a bus directly to Gwangju, you may walk to bus terminal gate **9C** on the first floor. There is an information desk and they will assist you to find the right bus. Limousine bus leave every hour and total travel takes about four hours. The fare should be around 30,000 won (~\$30). The destination of this bus is Gwangju express bus terminal.

Step 2. At the Gwangju Express Bus Terminal. (**Incheon airport → Gwangju Express Bus Terminal → GIST**)

The best way to get to GIST from Gwangju express bus terminal is using a taxi. The taxi fare should not cost more than 10,000 won (~\$10) as long as you don't take a deluxe taxi which cost more than regular ones. Deluxe (or "moburm" in Korean) taxis are black with a gold stripe.



Regular taxis



Deluxe taxi

(B) By Air: (Incheon airport → Gimpo Airport → Gwangju Airport → GIST)

In order to fly to Gwangju, you have to move to Gimpo Int'l Airport (Gimpo) from Incheon Int'l Airport (Incheon). There are two ways to get to Gimpo from Incheon; Airport Railway and Airport Limousine Bus. We, however, strongly recommend you to use the bus rather than the railway for your convenience. Please refer to the following information.

Step 1. Buy a bus ticket. (**Incheon airport → Gimpo Airport** → Gwangju Airport → GIST)

You could find Bus Ticket Counters next to Exit 4 and Exit 9 at the Arrival Floor (1st floor). We would like you to buy a **KAL Limousine Bus ticket at Korean Air counter.** Please do NOT purchase a 'Airport Bus Ticket' at the right counter. (Note: KAL Limousine Bus and Airport Limousine Bus are operated by different companies)

- Bus Fare : Approximately 6,000 Korean Won
- Operation Intervals : Approximately 20 ~ 30 min.
- Time required : Approximately 40 min.

Step 2. Find a bus stop. (**Incheon airport → Gimpo Airport** → Gwangju Airport → GIST)

After buying your ticket, you need to go out of the Airport building through either Exit 4 or Exit 11. You may use either one of two bus stops (**4B and 11A**) to take a **KAL Limousine Bus** to Gimpo.

Step 3. At Gimpo Int'l Airport. (Incheon airport → **Gimpo Airport → Gwangju Airport** → GIST)

Once you take a KAL Limousine Bus, it will take you to Gimpo Int'l Airport. Please be noted that KAL Limousine Bus may stop both at International-line Building and at Domestic-line Building of Gimpo Airport. You need to get off at **Domestic-line Building** after passing by International-line Building. You need to buy a ticket on the second floor and take a flight on the third floor.

Step 4. At the Gwangju Airport. (Incheon airport → Gimpo Airport → **Gwangju Airport → GIST**)

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From Gwangju Int'l Airport to GIST: (For travelers who enter the country through Gwangju Airport)

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The NUSOD 2009 Conference takes place at Oryong Hall, Room 101 (see map below)

Please check the online conference program for the final schedule as some times may have changed (<http://www.nusod.org/2009>).



Some useful Korean dialogues

You may print this out and show it to Korean people when you ask for a help because not many Koreans feel comfortable communicating in English. At the airport, it will not be difficult to find someone who speaks English, however, on the street, you may find it somewhat tricky.

(1) How can I get to the airport bus terminal to go to Gwangju? (at Incheon airport)

광주광역시 가는 공항버스를 타려면 어디로 가야 합니까?

(2) Where do I buy bus tickets? (at Incheon airport)

광주광역시 가는 공항버스의 표는 어디서 살 수 있습니까?

(3) Please give me a bus ticket to Gwangju. (at Incheon airport)

광주광역시행 표를 하나 주십시오.

(3) Where can I catch a taxi? (at Gwangju express bus terminal, or at Gwangju airport)

광주과학기술원 가는 택시를 타려면 어디로 가야 합니까?

(4) Please take me to Oryong Hall in GIST campus. (for a taxi driver)

광주과학기술원의 오룡관으로 데려가 주십시오.

(5) Please take me to International Hall in GIST campus. (for a taxi driver)

광주과학기술원의 국제관으로 데려가 주십시오.

(6) Please take me to MIDAS hotel. (for a taxi driver)

침단에 있는 마이더스 호텔에 데려가 주십시오.

(6) Please take me to Empire hotel. (for a taxi driver)

침단에 있는 엠파이어 호텔에 데려가 주십시오.

Emergency Numbers

Crime: 112

Medical emergency: 119

Tour information: 1330 (Various foreign language support available)

NUSOD local organizer's cell phone: 017-260-0397 (Please don't use this number unless it is really really emergency. ☺)