Non-Credit Practicum Placement
Through Gyeongin National University of Education

Education undergraduate students have an exciting opportunity to spend approximately 7 to 8 weeks in schools in the Republic of South Korea, organized by Gyeongin National University of Education (GINUE).

Participants will spend time at elementary and possibly secondary levels, assisting with teaching under the guidance of mentor teachers. During the course of the placement, time will also be dedicated to orientation and cultural activities, lectures on the local education system, and so on. Participants will be expected to be present during school hours and any time that is not devoted to teaching or assisting with teaching will be dedicated for observation, preparation, and other related activities.

Participants will be provided with furnished accommodation (double occupancy in the student residence) and weekday meals in the school cafeterias at no cost.

Dates (including suggested dates for arrival and departure) are to be confirmed, but it is anticipated placements will take place between May 8 and June 23, 2017.

Students not returning to the University of Alberta in September 2017 may be required to register in Abrod 800 for the duration of the internship. Please refer to the calendar for further details regarding Abrod 800 and associated fees.

Eligibility:

- Enrolment in a Bachelor of Education program at the University of Alberta
- Successful completion of the Introductory Field Experience as a minimum
- Good academic standing with a minimum GPA of 2.0

Please Note: This is a non-credit placement/experience. It cannot be taken in lieu of the AFX placement and it does not meet program or teacher certification requirements.

Students who will have already completed their requirements for graduation are eligible to apply. Participation in the placement/experience, however, will require that registration be maintained and convocation may be delayed.

Please refer to the posted FAQs sheet for further information and contact information.
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APPLICATION

Applications are due by 16:30 on February 8, 2017

Please submit the following:
- Application Checklist, Sections I, and Section II
- A copy (NOT THE ORIGINAL) of your Introductory Field Experience Student Teacher Field Experience Final Evaluation Form, if completed by the time of application
  If you are currently completing your Introductory Field Experience, please submit other reference documentation regarding any work with children and youth. Examples include—but are not limited to—reference letters for employment or volunteer work. (Any offers to students currently in their Introductory Field Experience would be conditional upon successful completion. In such cases, students would be asked to submit verification of completion in advance of departure.)
- A copy of your transcripts up to and including your most recent courses (an unofficial copy from Bear Tracks will suffice)
- An up-to-date copy of your resume

Please address submissions to the International Office, Faculty of Education, University of Alberta.
Mailing Address: 4-107 Education Centre North, Edmonton, AB T6G 2G5 Office Address (for in-person submissions): 5-182 Education Centre North

E-mailed or faxed submissions (with signatures) will only be accepted in extraordinary cases and with advance permission.

RELEVANT DATES

Dates in bold are firm and not subject to change. All others are tentative and will be confirmed.

Successful applicants will be expected to work closely with the Faculty of Education in preparation for the placements and will be updated with emerging information and deadlines pertaining to administrative requirements, and so on. Successful applicants will be expected to be proactive in doing their research about the placement location and in participating in other activities as a part of pre-departure orientation. Meetings will be scheduled in Winter Term 2017 (up until the date of departure).

February 8, 2017 Applications due. Some applicants may be requested to attend a follow-up interview should the committee wish to have elaboration or clarification of their applications.

February 13 Successful applicants and those on waiting list will be notified via their University of Alberta e-mail accounts.

February 17 Successful applicants will be asked to confirm their participation and:
- Submit a form indicating acceptance of the Terms of Participation for the experience (to be provided with notification of application results)
- Sign a University of Alberta Faculty of Education Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement
- Submit an Informed Consent for Disclosure of Personal Information Form
- Confirm documentation required by host university/schools (as discussed at info meeting/consultation) to be submitted by end of February
- Provide confirmation of the booking of a travel health consultation
- Complete Emergency Contact Information and other documents

Feb to April    Pre-departure meetings and modules

Early May    Departure for Internship
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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

☐ I have spoken to Lucy De Fabrizio or Lorraine Parry in the Faculty of Education’s International Office about the experience on ________________[specify date]. OR

☐ I attended an information meeting for the placements on ______________ [specify date].

☐ I have read the posted FAQ sheet for further information.

☐ I have enclosed a completed application form and supporting documents.

☐ I understand that if I am currently enrolled in the IFX, any potential offer would be conditional upon successful completion of the IFX and I would be asked to provide verification of successful completion.

☐ I have reviewed the Government of Canada travel report for South Korea under the headings at: http://travel.gc.ca/destinations/korea-south.

☐ I have reviewed the Gyeongin National University of Education website at: http://sub.ginue.ac.kr/english/index.html?menuno=1653.


Should I participate in the experience, I understand…

☐ It is my responsibility to submit any required documentation by the deadlines that will be outlined.

Note: Please re-read the details outlined in the Government of Canada travel report with respect to the dates for passport validity for South Korea and neighbouring countries.

Please ensure that your passport is valid for at least six months beyond the date of your anticipated departure from abroad/return to Canada. Applicants without a valid passport are encouraged to obtain one as soon as possible. If your citizenship is not Canadian, different entry/exit requirements will apply.

☐ My selection does not guarantee that I will be granted the necessary travel documents to participate in the experience. (I understand this decision is not determined by the University of Alberta.)

☐ I will be responsible for seeking the appropriate travel medical advice and will be required to provide verification that I have done so well in advance of my departure. (For more on the importance of this, review the section on Protecting your Health in the Canadian Government publication, Bon Voyage, But... Essential Information for Canadian Travellers at: http://www.voyage.gc.ca/publications/bon-voyage-eng.asp#before.)
Note: Travel consultations and immunizations are not covered by your provincial health care plan. As such, there is a fee for this service.

☐ I will be required to sign a University of Alberta Faculty of Education Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement.

☐ I will be required to sign a Terms of Participation document.

☐ I may be required to register in Abrod 800 for the duration of my placement.

☐ I will be required to complete online pre-departure orientation modules, submit an emergency contact form and a UAlberta Off Campus Travel Student Checklist before departure.

☐ I will be required to register with the University of Alberta UGO Off-Campus Travel Registry and the Government of Canada’s Registration of Canadians Abroad program.

☐ I understand that participation is ultimately dependent on the availability of a suitable placement through GINUE and that I may not be offered a placement at the school or grade level of my choice.

☐ I will be expected to submit a placement report and participate in a debrief session to provide feedback.

I hereby certify that the information given in this application is complete and true in all respects. I understand that this application may be shared with other University of Alberta Award committees for selection purposes.

Name: ____________________________

Signature: _________________________

Date: ______________________________
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APPLICATION FORM

Protection of Privacy
The personal information requested on this form is collected under the authority of Section 33 (c) of the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be protected under Part 2 of that Act. It will be used for the purpose of determining the eligibility of applicants. This application may also be shared with other University of Alberta Award committees for selection purposes. Direct any questions about this collection to: Lucy De Fabrizio, International Office, Faculty of Education (492-3178 or lmd@ualberta.ca).

SECTION I: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name and UAlberta ID: __________________________________________

UAlberta email: _______________________________________________________________________

Program
Elementary Route  Secondary Route
_____ 4 Year Degree Route  _____ 4 Year Degree Route
_____ 5 Year Combined Degree Route  _____ 5 Year Degree Route
_____ After-Degree Route  _____ After-Degree Route

Major(s) ____________________

Minor(s): ____________________

SECTION II: STATEMENT OF INTEREST

Please submit a statement of interest that addresses your reasons for wanting to participate in this experience. In your response, please describe why you would be a suitable candidate and how you envision participating in this experience would impact your teaching practice and your personal life.

Statements should be up to 500 words in length, double-spaced, use 12-point font. Applications that do not meet these requirements will not be reviewed.

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All application packages must be signed.

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Signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________