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## Summer school in Mongolian language, culture and ethnography

**Duration:** 3 weeks

**Introduction:** Khovd State University, the only state-owned independent university in the western region of Mongolia, hosts Summer School in Mongolian language and culture to provide international students to work together with their Mongolian colleagues in experience, knowledge, and insights.

- Students live in a Ger, Mongolian traditional accommodation in a historical and beautiful place of Khovd's outskirts on the bank of Buyant river.
- From an experienced Mongolian language teacher, the students receive language training and learn more about Mongolia, no prior experience necessary.
- Students can experience Mongolian culture traditions, religion and nomadic herding lifestyle, the Mongolian major summer holiday "Naadam" (horse racing, wrestling, archery), production of milk products, national song and music.
- Students have opportunities to travel on their own throughout Mongolia.
- The university is the nearest to Mongolian nomadic, traditional lifestyle.

Through this course we seek to promote international academic and research exchange and collaboration in Mongol studies and ethnography.

### Plan:

- Arrival and reception in Ulaanbaatar
- Arrival and reception in Khovd
- Khovd city tour
- Mongolian language classes
- Presentation and discussion
- Stay with nomadic family

- Naadam festival in Khovd city
- Sightseeing around Khovd province
- Farewell dinner and Certificate presentation ceremony

**Credits:** Upon successful completion of the course students will earn 4 credits.

**Tuition and fees:** Summer school fees include all program related expenses: tuition fee, in-city transportation, food and accommodation.

The tuition fee for the course is 300 USD and it does NOT include

- International and domestic airfare to and from Ulaanbaatar and Khovd
- Stay in Ulaanbaatar
- Cost associated with passport and other travel documents
- A visa fee and visa extension fee
- Costs associated with travel after the end of the season and likewise
- Personal expenses such as purchase, entertainment and sightseeing, insurance, premiums and etc.

**Included:** Accommodation, meals, in-city transportation costs during the Program in Khovd. All other in-country costs will be borne by the participant.

**Food:** International food, including Mongolian and Asian specialties, European and vegetarian food by an experienced cooker.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Visa

Participants can apply for a temporary visa or type “J” visa to the Mongolian Embassy or Consulate in your country.

For further information on visa, please, write to the address: gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com; gantsooj77@gmail.com

### Airport pick up:

At Chinggis Khaan airport and transportation to a hotel/motel in Ulaanbaatar can be arranged if you complete the pick-up service form (in Ulaanbaatar) and sent to the Office of International Relations and Cooperation (gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com) at least 7 days before your arrival. But you have to pay for the transportation and accommodation in Ulaanbaatar.

At Khovd airport and transportation to your accommodation will be arranged by our university if you complete the pick up service form (in Khovd) and send to the Office of International Relations and Cooperation (gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com) at least 5 days before your arrival.

### How to apply

1. Please fill the application form and send it with non-refundable registration fee to our address by June 2, 2018. Pay the fee of 10 USD to the account number 58 45 55 55 58 of Khaan bank, Khovd State University, Mongolia.
2. After receiving the application form and fee, will send you the admission letter with detailed information.

### Contact information

The office of international relations and cooperation, Khovd State University, Khovd province, Mongolia

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## KHOVD STATE UNIVERSITY

### Application form for summer school program

#### 1. Personal details

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

Given name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex (Male Female): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (Day/Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport No: \_\_\_\_\_

Native language: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency address and phone number in your country: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### 2. Program

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Program name	Tuition and fee	Duration	
Summer school in Mongolian language, culture and ethnography	300 USD + 10 USD Application fee	June 22- July 13	3 weeks

Your plan

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Language proficiency

Language	Length of study	Speaking	Writing	Reading

Ability:            A: Good B: Fair            C: Poor            D: Very Poor

3. Declaration

I declare that the information provided in this application is correct and true and also if I attend the summer school program, I will abide by the conditions set out in the prospectus.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Date:

4. Additional documents:

- Passport copy

Send your complete application to:

Office of International Relations and Cooperation

Khovd State University

Khovd province

Mongolia

or

by mail: [gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com](mailto:gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com), [info@khu.edu.mn](mailto:info@khu.edu.mn)

if there is any question about your application form, please do not hesitate to contact us by mail: [gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com](mailto:gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com); [info@khu.edu.mn](mailto:info@khu.edu.mn)

**AIRPORT PICK UP SERVICE FORM (IN ULAANBAATAR)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Information:

1. Arrival time (Chinggis Khan International Airport)
2. Arrival date (Chinggis Khan International Airport)
3. Airline:
4. Flight number:

Note: If you need an airport pick up service in Ulaanbaatar, you must send this form to the Office ([gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com](mailto:gulgooamarzaya@gmail.com); [info@khu.edu.mn](mailto:info@khu.edu.mn)) 7 days before your arrival.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT KHOVD PROVINCE, WHERE KHOVD STATE UNIVERSITY IS LOCATED

**Khovd** (Mongolian: Ховд) is one of the 21 provinces of Mongolia, located in the west of the country. Its capital is also named Khovd. The Khovd province is approximately 1,580 km from Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia's capital. It takes its name from the Khovd River, which is located in this province.

### History

The city was established by Galdan Boshogtu Khan of Dzungaria in the 17th century on the bank of the river Khovd in what is now Erdenebüren sum. Horticulture was developed around city Khovd using the land cultivating experience from Taranchi and Central Asian captives. The city was 'moved' by the Qing administration after destruction of the Dzungar Khanate after 1757 on to the bank of the river Buyant. On 7 August 1912, the Mongol troops under leadership of Manlai Baatur Damdinsuren, Khatanbaatar Magsarjav and Ja Lama Dambii-jantsan captured the city of Khovd, destroyed all the Manchu-Chinese garrisons and abolished the governance of the Qing-appointed amban.



*Ruins of the fortress where the Manchu amban resided*

### Population

Khovd is distinguished by its multi-cultural population. It is home to more than 17 nationalities and ethnicities. Each of these groups has its own distinct traditional dwelling and settlement pattern, dress and other cultural distinctions, literary, artistic, and musical traditions. Ethnic groups of Khovd province are Khalkha, Zakhchin, Kazakh, Torguud, Olots, Altai Uriankhai, Dorvod, Myan-gad, Tuvan, Bayad, Chantuu/Uyghur and Khoshuud.

## Geography and climate



*Ard Ayush square*

It is situated at the foot of the Mongol Altay Mountains, on the Buyant River. The Khar-Us Lake is located approximately 25 km east of Khovd, and is the location of a Strictly Protected Area (Mongolian Government designation), called the Mankhan Nature Preserve.

Khovd is known throughout the region for its watermelon and tomato harvest in the late summer, as well as the high quality of its seasonal meat products.

As a result of administrative reforms in 1992, Khovd was accorded the status of Jargalant sum. City area is 80 km<sup>2</sup>.

Khovd is notorious for its harsh weather cycles, as temperatures regularly reach as high as 40 C or 104 F during summer and as low as -30 C or -22 F during winter. Khovd has a cold desert climate with long, dry, frigid winters and short warm summers. Precipitation is minimal and very heavily concentrated in summer. The climate is dry, as it receives approximately the same average annual precipitation of Phoenix, Arizona.

## Economy

The region around the Khovd city is famous in Mongolia for its watermelon crop. There is a sizable hydroelectric dambuilding project underway that will theoretically generate enough electricity to power the three most western aimags (Uvs, Bayan-Ölgii, and Khovd). Domestic and international tourism and sports

hunting have always been a sizable industry of Khovd province with natural beauty such as fresh and salt water lakes, snow-capped mountains, green valleys and caves as well as ancient rock paintings and fortresses being the main sight-seeing attractions. Animal herding is the main economy of this province.



## Administrative subdivisions



Khovd province has 17 sums that are divided into 91 bags (the smallest administrative unit).

### *Sums of Khovd Aimag*

The aimag capital Khovd is geographically located in the Buyant sum, but is administered as independent Jargalant sum. The administrative center of the Khovd sum is also called Khovd, which is a common source of confusion. The other administrative centers carry the name of the respective Sum as well.

The sums of Khovd province are Altai, Bulgan, Buyant, Chandmani, Darvi, Durgun, Duut, Erdeneburen, Jargalant, Khovd, Mankhan, Munkhkhairkhan, Must, Myan-gad, Tsetseg, Uyench, Zereg.

## Transportation

Khovd province center is located 1450 km far from Ulaanbaatar. Passengers can go by airplane and buses. There is flight from Khovd to Ulaanbaatar vice versa almost every day. Also every day 4-5 buses with 40-50 seats each go much more cheaply. It takes 20-24 hours from Ulaanbaatar to Khovd and vice versa. It is about 250 USD from Ulaanbaatar-Khovd-Ulaanbaatar by airway and about 55 USD by bus.

## Education

In the academic year of 2017-2018, there are 18341 children studying in 697 groups of 25 secondary schools and 6995 children in 46 kindergartens including 29 state-owned, 14 private and 3 rural pre-schools. In Khovd, there is also a university named Khovd State University with over 3000 students and a Polytechnic college with about 800 students.

## Arts and culture

Khovd as many multi-ethnic arts and cultural institutions as the biggest “Musical Drama theatre” named after a State prize winner Chuluun J., cultural centers of 16 soums, a Public library of the province with 70000 volumes of books and 600 e-books, soums’ libraries and cabinets for local studies. At the center of the province there is a “Heritage park” with 3100 exhibits that show cultural memories of many ethnic minorities who live in the province.

