

## **Qurantaene-Bericht von Ani Stepanyan (Ankunft in Korea am 17.11)**

**Before Arrival:** Due to the worsening situation and high number of positive cases of COVID-19 Airlines and airports have introduced more rules, regulations and documents that are to be provided before one is allowed to board. So check out the requirements for Korea and the country of departure respectively before the date of departure. Despite the stricter rules, every information is provided online so make sure to look into it everyday, in the airport they do not require anything that was not actually mentioned in the requirements list.

**Date of Departure:** Keep your passport, visa, documents requested nearby it will be checked several times before and after the arrival. In Korea one needs to download an App where one fills in information about the health condition like temperature and symptoms common for Covid. Do not worry as in Seoul everyone is ready and eager to help so this goes very smoothly. After passport check one will be guided to the area where the app is activated and the information about the address and contacted information is integrated. Do not worry about the transportation, in the airport one gets two options to go either with taxi or a bus. Taxi is a bit more expensive, however, it takes one to the testing center and afterwards to the designated quarantine destination for a set fee.

**The Quarantine Period:** After taking the test and getting negative results, one gets a package with instructions on how to proceed with the quarantine and afterwards as well. One will be contacted by the representative of that specific district and will be guided on before and after quarantine regulations. Normally one can order food easily through apps, however, it may be difficult as some catering webpages may not accept the foreign credit cards so ordering food becomes impossible. Despite that there are always options, so no need to worry. In my case my card was rejected everywhere, however, lucky for me Mr. Han helped me through my quarantine period. Do not shy away if you need help ask Mr. Han as he is always ready to assist throughout the whole process.

**After the Quarantine:** After the last day of the quarantine you will have to put all your trash in the bags provided to you and put it outside for it to be collected. More detailed information is provided by each specific district so no need to worry. After the completion of the Quarantine one can leave the self-quarantine place in the afternoon.

It may seem as a very difficult period but it is actually fine, so think positive, respect the rules and take care of your health it is all worth it after the quarantine is over and you get to enjoy Seoul life in the fullest.