

# RSM MBA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME 2022 FACTSHEET



## Address & Information

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## Accreditations, ranking, and networks

RSM has 50 years of experience in business and management education, and is consistently ranked amongst Europe's top-ranked business schools. It is among the 1% of schools worldwide with a 'Triple Crown' accreditation from EQUIS, AACSB, and AMBA. RSM is a member of CEMS, the global alliance in management education and PIM, the Partnership in International Management.



## Full-time (FT) MBA Office

The FT MBA Office is the first point of contact for exchange participants in the RSM MBA programme. Students are welcome to contact us via for information and assistance at [mba-exchange@rsm.nl](mailto:mba-exchange@rsm.nl) or [mbaoffice@myrsm.nl](mailto:mbaoffice@myrsm.nl)

Services for exchange students include:

- Assistance with Visa and residence permit application via RSM's Registrar office
- Full access to our Career Development Centre
- Full access to the RSM's active [alumni network](#) worldwide
- Full access to Student Association activities
- Orientation day

RSM also welcomes exchange students at Bachelor and Master level. For more information, please click [here](#).

## Admission requirements & application process

To take part in the RSM exchange programme, a student needs to:

- be an MBA student
- have a minimum of three years relevant full-time work experience (excluding internships);
- not have had an unsuccessful application to RSM's MBA programme in the past.

## Nomination process

Deadline for exchange nominations is **May 15, 2022** (autumn term only).

All student nominations need to be sent by the respective partner school to [mba-exchange@rsm.nl](mailto:mba-exchange@rsm.nl) by the May 15 deadline.

The required documents are:

Curriculum Vitae, including full name (as per passport), date of birth and email address.

Students who need a Visa or residence permit must also provide:

- proof that they can support themselves financially for the duration of the exchange;
- Certified copy of birth certificate in the original language and translated into English (needed for the City Hall registration in case a student needs to stay in the Netherlands for more than 90 days);

- copy of the personal details' page of their passport;
- proof of health insurance.

This information is subject to change; please check [here](#) for updates.

The Visa application is a time-consuming process. In that sense, as soon as their participation is confirmed, students are recommended to start immediately with the Visa preparations. Support will be provided by RSM's Registrar's Office.

After receiving all nominations and provided that all admission requirements are met, RSM will send the official letter of acceptance to the student/school

## Academic content

### Dates

Incoming students attend elective courses during RSM's MBA Module 5 which takes place from **September 9 to December 8, 2022**. RSM is also planning for an orientation day that will take place in September (exact date to be confirmed).

### Courses

A full-module course load consists of three electives, providing a total of 9 EC. 1 EC is the equivalent of 28 (study) hours. Students are free to choose any electives in the portfolio that we offer for our [full-time MBA programme](#) students. Electives open only to RSM's [Executive MBA programme](#) students are not included in the list of options for exchange students. That said, it is possible to choose one of the electives of the [Cologne-Rotterdam Executive MBA programme](#) (taking place in Cologne University's campus). Please note that these are pass/fail only.

The maximum number of courses that a student is allowed to take is six. From experience, the majority of the full-time MBA exchange students require an average of 4-5 elective courses based on their home school requirements. Should a student need six electives, this will need to be approved by RSM's MBA Programme Council on a case-by-case basis.

RSM MBA full-time students will conclude their programme with a full day's session of Personal Leadership Development on the December 9. Kindly note that this session will *not* be applicable to exchange students because of the content of the course (wrap-up session of a year-long course).

## Class information

### Language of instruction

All courses are taught in English.

### Class profile

The MBA programme is a post-experience programme. The average age of RSM full-time MBA students is 30 with seven years of working experience. The average age of RSM's Executive part-time MBA students (who may also participate in some electives) is 35 with 11 years of working experience.

### Class format, participation and attendance

RSM's MBA classes are a mix of lectures from RSM faculty and visiting faculty using mostly case studies. Guest speakers are also regularly invited. Students can expect to be involved in group-based work; presentations; and in-class discussions. Class sizes vary between 20 and 40 students. Class participation and attendance are reflected in the students' final grades.

Students should plan to attend all courses in-person. That said, in case RSM is unable to deliver in-person classes due to Dutch government corona-related restrictions, students should be prepared to switch to an online or hybrid class format.

Courses are offered in different disciplines and there are approximately 40 courses to choose from. Course offering, as well as the tentative schedule, will be published by May 2022. Course selection is done in the end of May or beginning of June via an online bidding system. Detailed information on this will follow.

Previous years' courses included Leadership, Sustainability, Strategic Finance and Value Creation, Consulting, Entrepreneurship, Negotiations, Private Equity, Financial Engineering, Innovation Management and New Marketing Strategy in the Digital Age.

For more information such as overview of 2021 electives, please contact us via [mba-exchange@rsm.nl](mailto:mba-exchange@rsm.nl)

### Grading

Individual courses will be assigned a final grade using the EC grading scale:

10	9.5 – 10	Excellent
9	8.5 – 9.4	Very good
8	7.5 – 8.4	Good
7	6.5 – 7.4	Satisfactory
6	5.5 – 6.4	Pass
1-5	1.0 – 5.4	Fail

Transcripts are compiled by the Registrar Office adhering to RSM standards and procedures. They are sent to the school once all outstanding grades have been cleared.

### Accommodation

Depending on your stay, all exchange students will have to find their accommodation on the private market. RSM does not find living accommodations for you, however note assistance and information provided by [housing@rsm.nl](mailto:housing@rsm.nl) is available after RSM has confirmed your exchange student status as you will get access to relevant information via student hub.



## Living expenses

To have a reasonable living standard in the Netherlands, students should have an income of approximately €1500 per month. Below is a rough estimate of the monthly expenses when participating in the exchange programme for a period of four months. Please keep in mind that personal spending patterns vary, and so does this indication.

Housing	€800
Food	€350
Miscellaneous	€200
*Health insurance	€150

\*All exchange students are required to have health insurance whilst in the Netherlands; however, there is no 'school' insurance and incoming exchange students can choose their own insurance provider.

## Student Services

Erasmus University offers many facilities such as central library, sports facilities, restaurants, bookstore, supermarket, computer labs, group breakout rooms and a charging point for e-bikes.

The RSM MBA programme has an active Student Association with many student clubs. Exchange students will have access to the Student Association's intranet. Exchange students are encouraged to actively participate in the various clubs.

Visiting students participating in the full-time MBA have full access to RSM Career Development Centre, on-campus recruitment, career library and resources and the alumni database.

## Exchange Partners –MBA level

The RSM MBA programme has an average of 20 visiting exchange students each year. The international network of RSM comprises more than 40 partner MBA universities and business schools worldwide.