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Welcome

You're here because you're dreaming of a career in business. So welcome to Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University (RSM), the business school of Erasmus University Rotterdam.

Beginning your study of business administration at RSM means you'll embark on a truly transformational educational journey. You will connect with and learn from the world's top faculty members and business professionals in international companies – and your fellow students – in one of Europe's most dynamic cities.

Our programme is your opportunity to gain cutting-edge knowledge in a range of business disciplines, and to develop

personal and professional skills through practical engagement. The competencies you will gain here as an International Business Administration (IBA) student will help you to become more critical, creative, caring and collaborative – values which will equip you to become a life-long learner and a force for positive change in the world.

Welcome to our international community. We look forward to hearing from you!

Professor Michel Lander
Dean of Education
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Study in the Netherlands

Welcome!

You probably know the Netherlands for its tulips (everywhere in spring) and its wooden shoes (rare). The Netherlands has around 17 million inhabitants, but it's a small country. Yet it has one of the most important and most innovative economies in the world. Many internationals say the Netherlands is a well-organised country with open-minded people. Most of the country's 35,000 kilometres of bicycle paths are in the province of South Holland, where Rotterdam is.

Why study in the Netherlands?

Dutch education is known for its high quality and standards, and top ranking positions. Degrees obtained in the Netherlands are internationally recognised. The Netherlands is one of the top providers of English-taught courses. International classrooms – a mix of international and Dutch students – are common across the university.

In class, the atmosphere is usually informal, and it is pretty easy to contact our professors directly. The Netherlands is known as make this a non-breaking hyphen. 'easy-going' should appear on one line, liberal and tolerant – which is good for students. Studies in the Netherlands are affordable and accessible, with lots of exciting activities you can do on- and non-breaking hyphen needed here. 'off-campus' should appear on one line. as part of your studies.

Life in Rotterdam

Student city

Rotterdam is the country's second-largest city. It has the largest port of Europe, and is a cosmopolitan city. There's a vibrant hospitality scene, and plenty of student activities. You can join initiatives like the Erasmus Student Network (ESN), which organises lots of social programmes, trips, interesting debates, parties and cultural events especially for international students.

Multicultural city

People who live in Rotterdam have diverse backgrounds. This melting pot of nationalities and cultures makes Rotterdam an interesting city where you will soon feel at home. You can feel the international atmosphere on the streets while shopping at a Turkish bakery or an Indonesian toko. In Rotterdam, no one is a stranger.

City career perspectives

Rotterdam hosts many multinational organisations. You might get to know your future employer during your studies, for example by doing an internship. A good proficiency of English is required for your studies, and we also recommend learning some Dutch to increase your chances in the competitive market for talent.

Places to visit

When in Rotterdam, you should definitely climb the Euromast tower, take a ride in a water taxi, have lunch with a river view at Hotel New York, visit the many museums, and enjoy a good night out in the Witte de Withstraat. There is never a dull moment, because the city has so much to offer.

Did you know this?

Rotterdam's slogan is 'Make it happen'. Erasmus University is proud to be part of this city where people develop new and creative ideas every day. Even *The New York Times* and *Rough Guides* confirm its appeal and energy. In 2014, Rotterdam was ranked one of the world's '10 best places to go to' by Rough Guides, but more recently Rotterdam was chosen to be the venue of the annual Eurovision Song Contest, proving its skill for organising successful large-scale events.



IBA in practice

Career outlook

The Bachelor of Science in International Business Administration (IBA) prepares you for a management career in international firms. You will learn the latest knowledge and skills in business through immersion in an intercultural classroom. Most students will go on to complete a specialised master programme in one of the functional areas of business such as finance, marketing or supply chain management.

Working in culturally diverse teams familiarises IBA students with multinational project management at an early stage, qualifying them for jobs in the international arena.

Challenges for you as a manager

Managers can achieve success when they learn how to consider different views and apply knowledge from various fields.

A manager's ultimate goal is a profitable and sustainable company, gaining in market share. There are many ways to focus on people, planet and profit. Can you keep costs at bay? Will competitors undercut your price? How will you guard intellectual property? What is your marketing strategy? What about your employees' creativity, diversity, and having a harmonious office? And are your activities sustainable?

Businesses flourish when managers balance all these elements. Are you up for the challenge?

Strategic business plan

The strategic business plan is a valuable tool for managers to use in business-oriented activities. In this part of the IBA programme, you set out to position a company or project in its commercial ecosystem. With your team, you'll gather the required information, meet with knowledgeable experts, and apply the theoretical concepts you acquired during your studies. You will be able to identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. Based on your findings, you'll formulate the best possible strategies for your company or project.

Mentoring and counselling

Balancing your studies and other activities can be a challenge. Many students appreciate our mentoring programme. It assigns second-year students to help first-year students like you to find your way around the university and in Rotterdam, as well as how to study and how to plan ahead. There are also trained student advisors at RSM who can help you with more personal matters. [rsm.nl/studyadvice](https://www.rsm.nl/studyadvice).

IBA facts

RSM is consistently ranked among Europe's leading business schools.

Why international business administration?

Study international business administration at RSM for its:

- excellent international reputation, proved by its frequent mentions in global rankings, including the *Financial Times*
- track record as a business school accredited by AACSB, AMBA, EQUIS
- maximised return on investment for your career outlook.

Facts and figures (2022-2023):

- Number of first-year IBA students: 606
- Class hours first year: 12-18 hours per week
- Duration of programme: 3 years
- Required amount of EC in first year: 60
- Retention first to second year: 86%*
- Graduating within four years: 97%**

* Cohort 2021-2022 | ** Cohort 2018

Triple crown accreditation

Being triple-accredited is an exclusive quality indicator and highlights RSM's international reputation as a top business school. RSM is among a very select group of schools and institutions that meets the specific requirements of the three major accreditation bodies AACSB, AMBA and EQUIS.

International rankings

The Financial Times (FT) publishes the most authoritative ranking of international business schools in Europe and worldwide ever year. Here's our track record in the most important rankings, for 2022-2023:

- FT 2022: meta-ranking – RSM is 14th in Europe
- QS 2023: Business and Management masters – RSM is 20th globally
- US News & World 2022: Economics and Business – RSM is 10th globally



Curriculum

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The curriculum

Get ready for a broad approach and opportunities to differentiate yourself in RSM's IBA programme. Our research-oriented approach shows in the research courses throughout your entire programme. Your professional development will be encouraged in a similar track. For most courses, you will attend plenary lectures and work in small groups, allowing for lively interaction and tailored feedback. Many courses have a distinctly international approach, content-wise, and value the diversity within the IBA student body. Students are divided into three cohorts, and smaller groups for your courses are always created within these cohorts to facilitate more small-scale personal interaction.

First year

The first year consists of four blocks. You will get an overview of the main processes in most companies: production, marketing, organisation, finance and information as you will become familiar with student life at Erasmus University Rotterdam through our student mentoring programme.

Binding study advice

By the end of the first academic year, you must have successfully passed all your first-year courses. If you don't, you will receive a negative 'binding study advice'. We have set up the IBA programme in a way that your performance in all courses will be appraised at frequent intervals,

enabling you to earn part of your study credits (ECs) before the final exams.

Second year

The second year of the IBA programme also has four blocks, but courses such as the research project or entrepreneurship are slightly longer. In the professional development track, you will further enhance your personal skills. The increasing importance of contributing to sustainable business is reflected in the Responsible Business Leadership course.

Third year

In the first half of the third year, you can choose to do an international exchange, an internship, a minor, or electives at RSM, EUR or another university in the Netherlands or abroad. In the second half of the year you can pick one of six tracks so you can follow your interests and perhaps prepare for a master degree. Finally, you will also work on your bachelor project in one of these tracks:

- Analytical decision-makers (data, operations)
- Performance analysts (finance, accounting)
- Behavioural experts (marketing, HR, organisations)
- Global thinkers (international business, strategy, sustainability)
- Business developers (entrepreneurship, innovation, change)
- Financial strategist.

Bachelor 1

Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
Introduction to business (5 EC)		Economics (5 EC)	
		Strategic business plan (5 EC)	
Accounting (4 EC)	Organisational behaviour (4 EC)	Finance (4 EC)	Business information management (4 EC)
	Philosophy of science (3 EC)	Statistics (4 EC)	Operations management (4 EC)
Marketing management (4 EC)	Mathematics (2 EC)	Spreadsheet modelling (3 EC)	Quantitative decision-making (4 EC)
Professional development and mentoring (5 EC)			

Bachelor 2

Block 5	Block 6	Block 7	Block 8
Responsible business Leadership (4 EC)	Innovation management (4 EC)	Business law (4 EC)	
Human resource management (4 EC)	Corporate finance (4 EC)	Supply chain management (4 EC)	Technology management (3 EC)
Research project (10 EC)			Management accounting (4 EC)
			Strategic management (5 EC)
Business simulation (4 EC)		Entrepreneurship (5 EC)	
Professional development II (5 EC)			

Bachelor 3

Block 9	Block 10	Block 11	Block 12	Block 13	Block 14
Minor (15 EC)	Elective (5 EC)	Electives (10 EC)		Digital business (5 EC)	
Exchange (20-25 EC)		Electives (5-10 EC)	Choose from six tracks		
Exchange (30 EC)			Module 1 (5 EC)	Module 2 (5 EC)	Module 3 (5 EC)
Internship (20 EC)	Elective (5 EC)	Electives (5 EC)	Advanced research methods (3 EC)	Bachelor project (7 EC)	

Talking about the programme



Dr Mirko Benischke

Academic director BSc programmes

"Studying business administration at RSM means more than just learning management concepts and ideas. My vision is to provide you with the knowledge, skills, and attitude that will help you to become a force for positive change. I want you to become a responsible global leader, whose moral compass is shaped during your time at RSM. This means that over the next three years, our world-class and dedicated faculty members will challenge you to solve complex business problems,

critically evaluate what technological, societal and environmental changes mean for businesses, and to work in a truly international classroom. Yes, for me, 'international' is not an empty promise, it is a value that shapes our learning environment. We fully embrace diversity, respect and empathy, not just in our classrooms but also in our RSM community. I'm convinced that you will not regret your choice to study international business administration at RSM."



Shraddha Qaundinya

Third-year IBA student, Indian

"The IBA has given me the opportunity to immerse myself into a diverse and motivated environment. The programme allows you to gain both theoretical and practical knowledge about the business world through a vast range of courses such as marketing management, finance and strategic business plan. I could really explore my interests and gain a clearer picture of which career paths I could envision myself on. In addition to the exceptional quality of education, RSM offers lots of extracurricular opportunities.

I am grateful to be a part of the STAR Case Club, which fosters the development of ambitious students by providing consultancy-related training and sending them to compete in international case competitions. I was on the RSM team at the Copenhagen Business School Case Competition where we placed first among 16 top business schools. The unforgettable week was filled with unique experiences such as dinners with company recruiters and CEOs, a gala and the chance to meet people from across the world. This is just one example of the many ways you can enrich your journey at RSM, make life-long friendships and learn to be a leader of positive change."



Benedikt Albertsen

Second-year IBA student, German

"In high school, I realised that we all have a responsibility for what happens in the world and I heard that just a couple of euros could change the lives of fashion industry workers. I had an idea of how to tackle this but got nowhere until an exchange in Melbourne when I met a factory producer who had tried to combat the problems of social change. We decided to develop bags from leftover fabrics. I sewed the prototype myself, and a year later, in 2021, we went into production in Cambodia. A kilo of new cotton needs 8,000 litres of water, so upcycling close to half a tonne of fabric has already had an impact.

We pay fair wages and donate to a school meals organisation in Africa. Later that year, I decided to follow my entrepreneurial journey at RSM because of its international and open environment. Its mission to be a force for positive change convinced me that my start-up, SAROWA, belonged here! RSM focuses on students' personal development; they see them as individuals and support their journeys. I was honoured to win the I WILL Journey award; that helped SAROWA to increase its impact in the fashion industry. I can't wait to see what the growing SAROWA team will achieve while we finish our studies in Rotterdam!"

How to make the most of your studies

Study abroad

One of the many benefits of the IBA programme is the option of studying abroad at some point. RSM offers a high quality network of around 90 partner business schools for its bachelor exchanges, see pages 14-15. [rsm.nl/exchange](https://www.rsm.nl/exchange).

Internships

An international internship is an alternative to an exchange. You can apply your newly acquired knowledge and skills within a company in another country. Many students are offered jobs as a result.

Honours programmes

Erasmus University Rotterdam offers two English-taught honours programmes on interdisciplinary subjects. This brings students from various programmes together to work on a broad subject. IBA students can also apply for RSM's undergraduate honours programme on innovative entrepreneurship and a study trip to Silicon Valley. Honours programmes count as extra credit on top of the regular BSc programme.

Double degrees, joint programmes

RSM and Erasmus School of Philosophy offer a double degree in International Business Administration and Philosophy. Mutual exemptions allow you to earn two bachelor degrees in just four years. RSM and Guanghua School of Management, Peking University offer an international double degree; the 'Future Leaders Programme' is set up so that you start with your IBA. After two years in Rotterdam you move to Guanghua for another two years, earning

bachelor degrees from both institutions. RSM and Copenhagen Business School offer the European Business Programme. You can then choose a coherent package of courses for your exchange semester so you can earn the Certificate of European Business on top of your bachelor diploma.

Study trips, business projects, case competitions

Gain relevant international experience by joining one of our international study trips. These business projects take a more academic approach; desk and field research are done for commercial businesses and are supervised by RSM's academic staff.

Some IBA students are involved in international non-profit organisations such as Enactus which focuses on sustainable entrepreneurship. You can also join the RSM STAR Case Club, and could then be selected for international case competitions, in which teams of four from business schools worldwide compete to solve challenging business cases. [rsmstar.nl/caseclub](https://www.rsmstar.nl/caseclub).

'I DO' at an NGO

A group of ambitious second- and third-year IBA students launched the I DO project in 2020 to live up to the mission of RSM. In your second year, you can use your business knowledge to work with NGOs on projects aimed at improving local situations in developing countries. After leadership training in your third year, you can then act as a coach for the next generation of students. [rsm.nl/ido](https://www.rsm.nl/ido).

Partner universities

Europe

United Kingdom Aston University (Aston Business School), Birmingham; City University (Cass Business School), London; Lancaster University; Leeds University Business School; University of Manchester (Manchester Business School); University of Strathclyde (Strathclyde Business School), Glasgow; University of Glasgow; University of Bath (School of Management); University of Warwick **Ireland** University of Limerick (Kemmy Business School); University College Dublin (Quinn School of Business); Trinity College Dublin **France** ESC Rennes; ESSEC Business School, Cergy; ESSCA, Angers/Paris/Budapest/Shanghai; EM-Lyon; Sciences-Po, Paris; Université Paris Dauphine **Iceland** Reykjavik University **Norway** The Norwegian School of Management (BI), Oslo; The Norwegian School of Economics and BA, (NHH), Bergen **Sweden** Stockholm School of Economics SSE; Lund University (School of Economics & Management) **Finland** Aalto University School of Business **Denmark** Aarhus University School of Business and Social Sciences; Copenhagen Business School (CBS) **Czech Republic** University of Economics, Prague **Russia** St. Petersburg University **Germany** University of Mannheim; WHU Otto Beisheim School of Management, Koblenz Vallendar; Frankfurt School of Finance & Management **Austria** Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien; MCI Management Center Innsbruck **Switzerland** University of St. Gallen (HSG); **Italy** Politecnico de Milano (Graduate School of Business); Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Milan; Luiss University, Rome **Portugal** Universidade Catolica Portuguesa; Universidade Nova de Lisboa; ISEG (Lisbon

School of Economics & Management) **Spain** ESADE, Barcelona; Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Faculty of Economic and Business Sciences), Barcelona; IE Madrid; Universidad Carlos III, Madrid; ICADE, Madrid; Universidad de Navarra, Pamplona **Greece** Athens University of Economics and Business Administration **Turkey** Koç University, Istanbul

Africa

Morocco ESCA (Ecole de Management), Casablanca **South Africa** University of Pretoria

America

Canada HEC Montréal; Queens University (Queen's School of Business), Kingston; University of British Columbia (Sauder School of Business), Vancouver; University of Calgary (Haskayne); York University (Schulich School of Business), Toronto **United States of America** Babson College, Boston; Florida State University (College of Business), Tallahassee; Florida International University (Kirk Landon), Miami; Tulane University (A.B. Freeman School of Business), New Orleans; Emory University (Goizueta Business School), Atlanta; Georgia State University, Atlanta; Ohio State University (Fisher College of Business), Columbus; Texas Tech University, Lubbock; University of Maryland (Robert H. Smith School of Business), College Park; University of Michigan (Ross), Ann Arbor; University of North Carolina (Kenan-Flagler Business School), Chapel Hill; University of South Carolina (Darla Moore School of Business), Columbia; University of Southern California (Marshall School of Business), Los Angeles; University of Virginia (McIntire), Charlottesville; University of Washington (Foster School of Business),



Seattle **Mexico** Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) Mexico City; Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores (ITESM; EGADE), Monterrey **Argentina** Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Buenos Aires **Brazil** Fundação Getulio Vargas, São Paulo **Chile** Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Vina del Mar; Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago **Peru** Escuela de Administración de Negocios (ESAN); Universidad del Pacifico, Pacifico Business School, Lima

Asia

South Korea Ewha Womans University; Yonsei University; Korea University Business School; Seoul National University; Hanyang University, Ansan **Japan** Keio University, Tokyo; Nagoya University of Commerce & Business **China** Beijing University (Guanghua School of Management); Tsinghua University (School of Economics and Management), Beijing; Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (SUFEC); Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Antai College of Economics and Management); Sun Yat-Sen University (Lingnan University College), Guangzhou; The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzeng **Hong Kong** Hong Kong Baptist University; City University Hong Kong; The

Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK); The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST); University of Hong Kong; Hong Kong Polytechnic University **Taiwan** National Chengchi University (College of Commerce), Taipei; National Taiwan University (College of Management), Taipei **Indonesia** Universitas Gadjah Mada **Singapore** Nanyang University Singapore, (Nanyang Business School); National University of Singapore (NUS); Singapore Management University (SMU) **Thailand** Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok; Thammasat University, Bangkok (Thammasat Business School and Faculty of Economics); Thammasat University, Bangkok **Kuwait** Kuwait University

Oceania

Australia Monash University (Monash Business School), Melbourne; University of Melbourne, (Melbourne Business School); University of New South Wales, Sydney; University of Sydney; University of Technology Sydney (UTS Business School); Queensland University of Technology **New Zealand** University of Otago (Otago Business School); University of Waikato (Waikato Management School)

Please note: places are limited, so a particular exchange or a certain school cannot be guaranteed.

After the bachelor

Once you graduate from IBA, you can apply for a master degree at RSM (if you have a sufficient GPA), transfer to another school, or begin your professional career.

Master programmes at RSM

- Accounting & Financial Management
- Business Analytics & Management
- Business Information Management
- Finance & Investments
- Global Business & Sustainability
- People, Organisations & Change
- International Management / CEMS
- Management of Innovation
- Marketing Management
- Strategic Entrepreneurship
- Strategic Management
- Supply Chain Management

CEMS: acclaimed collaboration

RSM proudly offers the MSc in International Management / CEMS (18 months), a joint programme by several leading business schools around the world which has a broad remit and requires proficiency in three languages. CEMS has been ranked one of the world's best business programmes by the *Financial Times* for nine consecutive years.

Career opportunities

Some IBA graduates go straight into a career or set up their own company, but most continue with a master programme first, because this improves their career prospects. Sometimes, large multinational firms hire master graduates prior to graduation, based on their internships and other networking experiences. The main employment sectors and the percentages of IBA graduates entering each are as follows: consulting (20%), finance and accounting (20%), marketing and communications (15%), owner-entrepreneur (10%), human resources (10%), policy advising (5%), and other business areas (20%). Our Career Centre team can assist you in finding internships. With more than 45,000 alumni in more than 100 countries, RSM's alumni network is truly global, and provides valuable mentoring, job and internship opportunities.



"I haven't forgotten about IBA: together with some other students of my year I have launched the Entrepreneurial Spirit Scholarship."

Jasper Buntinx

Alumnus IBA, Dutch

"I started my IBA studies at RSM in 2009 and was determined to make it an international experience. So I took my chance to go on exchange in South Korea. I then really wanted to work abroad. So after finishing my master in Finance & Investments at RSM, I started to work as a trainee at STAR Capital in London, UK. Then I completed an MBA in Tel Aviv, and returned to London for a career in finance. Two long internships – at UBS on real estate and at Greenfield Capital on private equity – brought me where I wanted to be: at Macquarie Capital in investment banking,

first as an analyst, then as an associate and currently as vice president. My focus is on principal investments in infrastructure in the Benelux, allowing me to move back to the Netherlands again last year.

In retrospect, I found myself privileged – because of the many options I was offered inside and outside of my studies. I am aware that this is not a given for all, so I have set up a scholarship system with some classmates to make this wealth of chances available for others too."

Discover more about jobs after an RSM master in the *MSc Employment Report* via rsm.nl/msc-employment-report.

Admission

Admission requirements

To be considered for the IBA programme you need a secondary school diploma which gives you access to university-level education in your own country and is deemed equivalent to the Dutch secondary school diploma (*vwo*). You must also meet the following requirements:

- a sufficient level of mathematics
- a sufficient result for TOEFL, IELTS or Cambridge (English language tests).

For specific requirements per diploma, minimum levels and score requirements for mathematics and English, please visit rsm.nl/bacheloradmissions.

When to apply? Strict deadline!

You must apply through the Dutch national student registration system 'Studielink' between 1 October 2023 and 15 January 2024, and fill in and submit RSM's Online Application Form (OLAF) by 31 January 2024.

Numerus fixus

RSM's IBA will admit a maximum of 750 students to the IBA programme for the academic year 2024-2025. Important characteristics of the IBA programme are its international dimension and high-performing students. Admission to the IBA programme is based on your academic performance as reflected by your overall grade point average, as well as your motivation for the international character of the programme.



RSM is a member of CIS, the Council of International Schools.

cois.org

Here's how we'll calculate your score:

- Your GPA, calculated from your school report, counts for 75% of your total score. The higher your grades, the more points you get. More details can be found on rsm.nl/bacheloradmissions
- Your motivation counts for 25% of your total score and should give us sufficient insight into your interest in studying business administration in an international environment.

The application process consists of two parts:

- Part I:** registration for the IBA programme in the Dutch national student registration system Studielink (studielink.nl) between 1 October 2023 and 15 January 2024.
- Part II:** fill in and submit RSM's Online Application Form (OLAF). You will receive a link to this form within 24 hours after successful registration in Studielink.

You must upload all the required documents and submit your application by 31 January 2024. It is not possible to register in Studielink after 15 January or submit your application in OLAF after 31 January.

All applicants who have submitted a complete application in OLAF before the deadlines will receive a rank number via email from Studielink on 15 April 2024. Applicants with rank number 1 to 750 will also receive a second email from Studielink with an offer for the programme. Applicants with rank number 751 and higher will automatically be put on a waiting list. Applicants offered admission to the IBA programme (initially or from the waiting list) will have two weeks to accept or decline the offer in Studielink. For detailed information about RSM's admission requirements and process, please visit rsm.nl/bacheloradmissions.



Prepare for your studies

How to prepare

Once you have decided what you want to study, you need to prepare. The process starts with your admission application. Then you might need an entry visa or residence permit, and find a place to stay in Rotterdam.

Tuition fees

The 2024-2025 tuition fee for the IBA programme is €11,600 per year. The Dutch government contributes towards this cost for students who hold a nationality from a country belonging to the European Economic Area (EEA). These students therefore pay the statutory fee of €2,530* per year.

Accommodation

Student housing in the Netherlands is not guaranteed, so start looking for your student accommodation in good time. RSM has a limited number of rooms (reserved accommodation by the SSH) but there are only 130 to be divided among non-EU first-year BScIBA and MSc students. More housing possibilities on the private market can be found at: [housing.eur.nl](https://www.housing.eur.nl).

Costs of living

The costs of living and studying in the Netherlands are around €1,200 a month. You need this to cover daily expenses such as rent, groceries, books and going out. A part-time job can be a source of additional income but be advised that studying will take up a lot of your time. International

students need to remember that they cannot rely on an additional earned income once they are in the Netherlands. Non-EEA students in particular should be aware that the number of hours they are allowed to work in a paid job are limited. Make sure that you have sufficient financial means before coming to Rotterdam.

Study grant

Dutch students can apply for a government-funded study grant.** Students from EEA countries can qualify for the Dutch study grant if they meet certain requirements. EEA students can also apply for *collegegeldkrediet*, which is an advance on tuition fees. In addition, EEA students can also apply for a supplementary grant, depending on parental income. Please visit [duo.nl](https://www.duo.nl) for more information.

* The statutory fee is subject to change. Prior to the start of the academic year, tuition fees may be modified by the Dutch government. Erasmus University Rotterdam reserves the right to make changes affecting policies, fees, curricula or any other matters announced in this publication without further notice.

** The basic grant is a performance-related grant and will be converted into a gift if you obtain your degree within 10 years. If you don't, you will have to repay the total amount with interest.

Scholarships

The search engine on [studyinnl.org](https://www.studyinnl.org) presents a range of Dutch scholarships for international students who wish to study in the Netherlands. Particularly for non-EEA students (who pay the non-subsidised tuition fee) RSM offers a few merit-based scholarships. RSM also offers an interesting scholarship for students with an EEA nationality. More information can be found at [rsm.nl/iba/scholarships](https://www.rsm.nl/iba/scholarships).

Immigration procedure

Whether or not you need an entry visa or a residence permit (or both) to study in the Netherlands depends on your nationality.

- If you are from the EEA, then you can easily take up residency in the Netherlands and do not need a residence permit.
- If you are from the USA, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, Monaco, South Korea or Australia, you only need a residence permit.
- If you are from any other country, you need an entry visa and a residence permit.
- If you already have a Dutch Residence Permit, RSM or EUR will send you the appropriate information.

If you are admitted (conditionally or unconditionally), the university will send you the immigration guidelines. Please do not start the immigration procedure on your own, only RSM or EUR can apply on your behalf. More information can be found at [rsm.nl/immigration](https://www.rsm.nl/immigration).

Medical and liability insurance

Dutch law requires everyone living in the Netherlands to be covered by health insurance. To be prepared for everything, we strongly recommend Aon because it has developed a tailor-made ICS Complete+ insurance for international students of RSM and Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR). Please visit [eur.nl/en/insurance](https://www.eur.nl/en/insurance).

What's next?

Make a good study choice

Choosing your studies is very important. It influences the rest of your life. So think about what you would like to do and what your talents and competences are. You are invited to come to the Erasmus University Rotterdam campus to get to know the university and its study programmes. Your study time can only be a success if you choose the right programme. Do not hesitate to ask for help:

rsm.nl/studyadvice.

Open days

Join the open days here at EUR in the autumn or spring. You can tour the EUR campus and learn more about specific study programmes and the university in general. For an overview of our (online) open days, please visit

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Campus tour

Visit our campus and connect with a current student to get a real taste of student life on campus.

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Meet us online

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Talk to current students

You can ask current students any questions you have like about the IBA programme and student life at RSM. You can contact them via

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Contact us

Get in touch with the RSM Admissions office for general information about the programme, the IBA selection procedure, mathematics test and enrolment:

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Discover more

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eur.nl/en/bachelor.

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