

Erasmus  
School of  
Economics

# International Bachelor Programmes

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# About Erasmus School of Economics

**B**ased in the vibrant city of Rotterdam, the economic and logistics centre of Europe, Erasmus School of Economics has provided outstanding education and produced excellent research for over a century. The school has been a host to many of the world's renowned researchers and prides itself on the first Nobel prize in economic sciences, awarded to Jan Tinbergen in 1969.

Many successful careers have started here. Graduates of Erasmus School of Economics are ideally equipped for success in the business community, government positions and research

anywhere in the world. Skills of knowledge mist een beetje. You can recognise economists from Rotterdam by their effectiveness, drive, commitment, and strong skills and knowledge. We not only devote attention to the issues of today, but we also focus on possible solutions to the problems of tomorrow.

This brochure gives you a chance to discover our bachelor's programmes with their wide variety of specialisations, as well as our academic approach and culture. We are confident that this will inspire you to learn more about Erasmus School of Economics.

## Rotterdam





What our  
students  
say

'I expected that the IBEB programme would give me a solid skill set in the fields of mathematics and economics. My expectations were exceeded. During the first year we acquired competences that are crucial in today's fast changing world, such as communication, teamwork, research, and academic writing skills.'

**Olga Oracz**

International Bachelor Economics and Business Economics



'My favourite course is Mathematical Economics. In this course, we learn how to solve economic phenomena by using mathematics. For example, we were taught how to analyse auctions and derive your optimal bidding strategy. I found these topics interesting because the methods that were covered can be applied to our everyday life.'

**Yassine Ben Haddou**

International Bachelor Econometrics and Operations Research



'During the first year, the programme initially takes you on the journey of a mathematician, building upon your algorithmic intuition and critical thinking. From the second year onwards, courses become increasingly applicable; the most exciting aspect is being able to use theoretical knowledge gathered to resolve real issues in following years.'

**Bhavika Adapa**

Double bachelor BSc<sup>2</sup> Econometrics and Economics



## Education philosophy

Erasmus School of Economics aims to be the number one choice for the most talented and ambitious students and to create a solid foundation for an inspiring career in economics or econometrics. To achieve this, we have formulated three ambitions for our educational programmes.

1. **To offer a range of possibilities for truly ambitious students.** Beyond the standard curriculum, plenty of development opportunities are offered for the most ambitious, talented and motivated students. Examples are our double degree programmes and our honours classes.
2. **To achieve the highest level of excellence in economics teaching.** We firmly believe in the positive spillover effects that good research has on quality teaching. Faculty members who are involved in both research and teaching do all their teaching from the perspective of economic science. The quality of our academic teaching is ensured by exposing students to active research in all phases of their studies.
3. **To be truly globally-oriented.** It goes without saying that our ambitions can only be realised by being truly globally-oriented. At Erasmus School of Economics, we have international (teaching) staff, we teach national and international students to make their educational experience truly international. We offer a wide range of English-taught bachelor and master programmes and we encourage our bachelor students to participate in international exchange programmes.

## Binding study advice

Studying at Erasmus School of Economics offers more than a degree. A positive attitude, strong work ethic, and motivation are essential because you must obtain all credits within the first academic year, to meet the 'binding study advice'\* requirements. To help you achieve this, we offer an active guidance programme designed to keep you on track and prevent delays. You'll be paired with a senior student mentor and meet regularly in small groups to discuss your progress and address any study-related issues. Additionally, you'll have access to study advisors, counselors, university psychologists, and other support services to ensure you succeed in your first year.

Furthermore, Erasmus School of Economics operates on a 5-block course system, allowing students to focus on a few courses at a time. Each block lasts 8 weeks, with 7 weeks of classes and 1 week for exams. If needed, re-sits are scheduled at the end of the academic year.

\*The binding study advice means that you need to obtain all 60 European credits (EC) in your first year to be able to continue to your two.

# Economics and Business Economics



**The International Bachelor Economics and Business Economics is a captivating three-year programme that focuses on globally relevant issues related to economics and business from expanding markets to the impact of financial crises.**

In this programme, you will not only develop your analytical and problem-solving skills, but also practice your presentation, academic writing and reading skills. With each cohort consisting of at least 50% international students from around the world, our class discussions, examples, and interactions are far more intercultural and global than in other programmes.

The International Bachelor Economics and Business Economics programme will bring you:

- A thorough understanding of economics and business economics.
- A balanced mix of theory and practice.
- An international classroom, cosmopolitan atmosphere and ample opportunities to study abroad and/or pursue an internship.
- Modern teaching methods and personal academic support.
- Excellent career opportunities.

## Study programme

### Year one: laying the groundwork

The International Bachelor Economics and Business Economics concentrates on worldwide issues related to economics and business. Each year is divided into five course blocks of eight weeks. In your first year, you will focus on two courses per block. Subjects range from general economics (micro and macro) and mathematics to applied business economics, such as marketing, accounting, and organisation and strategy. In dedicated sessions led by a student mentor, you will develop your skills in studying, presenting, writing, and debating.

### Years two and three: adding breadth and depth to knowledge, skills and experience

In your second year you will deepen your knowledge of the subjects introduced in the first year. You will also be introduced to several new subjects like international economics, finance and economics of the welfare state. You cover not just theory: all courses consist of lectures as well as assignments in small-scale work groups.

In your third and final year, the choice is yours. You will pick your major and have a chance to add more breadth to your studies with electives and a minor. Now is also the time to do an internship or take part in an exchange programme at one of our many partner universities abroad. In the third year, you will also take small-scale courses focused on group work and class discussions. The share of group assignments and self-study will gradually increase during your second and third years. You will complete your programme with a bachelor thesis.

## Course overview

### Bachelor year 1

block 1	Introduction to Mathematics	Accounting	Guidance
block 2	Microeconomics	Introduction to Data-analytics	Academic Skills
block 3	Macroeconomics	Applied Statistics 1	
block 4	Mathematics and Game Theory	Philosophy	
block 5	Organisation and Strategy	Introduction to Behavioural Economics	

### Bachelor year 2

block 1	Applied Microeconomics	Applied Statistics 2
block 2	International Economics	Economics of the Welfare State
block 3	Finance 1	History of Economic Thought
block 4	Introduction to Econometrics	Empirical Marketing
block 5	Intermediate Accounting	Research Project

### Bachelor year 3

block 1	Minor/Study abroad/Internship	Career Skills
block 2	Electives/Study abroad/Internship	
block 3	Major	
block 4		
block 5	Bachelor's Thesis	

No rights can be derived from this overview.



**Deadline**  
1 April/ 1 May



**Start**  
September



**Language**  
English



**Degree**  
BSc Economics and Business Economics

# Econometrics and Operations Research



**The International Bachelor Econometrics and Operations Research is a three year programme that focuses on the application of mathematical and statistical techniques to answer economic questions. During this programme you will learn how to combine econometric and operations research models with data to explain, predict and solve real-life problems.**

It will enable you to tackle complex issues like:

- How will interest rates and stock prices evolve over the coming years?
- How can waiting times in health care be reduced?
- How can we enhance the effectiveness of online advertising by using Big Data?
- How can public transport planning be improved?

What better place to study econometrics than in Rotterdam? A vibrant, multi-cultural city that is at the forefront of exciting developments in industry, logistics, science, culture and architecture. It is also the place where the modern Econometrics was born at the acclaimed Econometric Institute, co-founded in 1956 by Nobel laureate Jan Tinbergen.

Here you will find:

- A unique combination of theory and practice.
- Intensive individual academic support.
- Plenty of challenges for excellent students.
- An international classroom and cosmopolitan atmosphere.
- A vast international business and academic network.

## Study programme

### Year one: a diverse kick-off in every way

Your first year courses contain topics in mathematics, statistics, and economics. You will also receive training in computer programming to learn how to build models and implement mathematical techniques. Your first experience with operational research will consist of analysing and solving optimisation problems by applying these mathematical methods. We work with tutorial groups of about thirty students, which allows for individual attention and intensive guidance. During many of the practical assignments, you will work in groups of around four students.

### Years two and three: a topical and practice-oriented approach

During your second year you will focus on more advanced courses in different areas like mathematics, statistics, econometrics and business economics. You will divide your time equally between theory and practice, and you will work in small groups during lectures and assignments. The third year offers many choices. First you get to take a minor (elective courses within or outside the field of economics, such as law or psychology), study abroad at a partner university, or do an internship. In the second half of the year, you will choose a specialisation in one of the following four majors:

- Econometrics
- Analytics and Operations Research in Logistics
- Quantitative Finance
- Business Analytics and Quantitative Marketing

Your major involves two specialisations and a seminar. You will complete your programme with a bachelor thesis.

## Course overview

### Bachelor year 1

block 1	Introduction to Analysis	Introduction to Statistics	Guidance
block 2	Microeconomics	Matrix Algebra	
block 3	Macroeconomics	Analysis	
block 4	Vector Calculus	Probability Theory	Introduction to Programming
block 5	Statistics	Linear Optimisation	Mathematical Methods

### Bachelor year 2

block 1	Combinatorial Optimisation	Introduction to Multivariate Statistics	Programming
block 2	Mathematical Economics	Non-linear Optimisation	Markov Processes
block 3	Finance	Econometrics 1	Simulation
block 4	Marketing	Econometrics 2	Introductory Seminar Case Studies Econometrics and OR
block 5	Time Series Analysis		Academic Skills

### Bachelor year 3

block 1	Minor/Study abroad/Internship	
block 2	Electives/Study abroad/Internship	
block 3	Major	Ethics in Econometrics
block 4		
block 5	Bachelor's Thesis	Career Skills

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**Language**  
English



**Degree**  
BSc Econometrics and Operations Research

# Double bachelor BSc<sup>2</sup> Econometrics and Economics



**Economists strive for a deep understanding of economic problems. Econometricians develop mathematical and statistical tools that, combined with data, can solve them. Are you interested in both? The double bachelor BSc<sup>2</sup> programme enables you to complete two entire three-year bachelor programmes in just four years.**

During this study you will focus on conceptual matters like inflation, valuation and marketing as well as quantitative concepts like risk, forecasts, uncertainty, optimisation and scenario analysis. As such, this programme provides you with a thorough understanding of how economics works and gives you access to the latest practical quantitative econometric tools to analyse economic problems and calculate their solutions.

The double bachelor is quite demanding, since you will have to obtain an average of 66 credits each year instead of the standard 60 credits. In order to help you meet this challenge, personal attention and intensive guidance are offered throughout the programme.

What better place to study econometrics and economics than in Rotterdam? A vibrant, multicultural city that is at the forefront of exciting developments in industry, logistics, science, culture and architecture. It is also the place where the modern Econometrics was born at the acclaimed Econometric Institute, cofounded in 1956 by Nobel laureate Jan Tinbergen.

## Study programme

### Year one: focus on econometrics

In your first year, you will focus primarily on Econometrics and Operations Research with various basic courses in mathematics, statistics, and economics. You will also receive training in computer programming to learn how to build models and implement mathematical techniques. Your first experience with operational research will consist of analysing and solving optimisation problems by applying these mathematical methods. We work with tutorial groups of about thirty students, which allows for individual attention and intensive guidance. During many of the practical assignments, you will work in groups of around four students.

### Years two, three and four: from a solid foundation to a double bachelor

The following three years all consist of both economic and econometric subjects. In the second year of the double bachelor programme, you will lay the groundwork with fundamental courses. Years three and four are about deepening your knowledge and further developing your skills. You will take on your economic major in year three and your econometric major in year four.

In this final year, you have the opportunity to choose a minor (a combination of electives) at or outside Erasmus School of Economics. You can also opt to study abroad or do an internship. With the completion of a thesis you conclude the double bachelor BSc<sup>2</sup> programme.

## Course overview

### Bachelor year 1

block 1	Introduction to Analysis	Introduction to Statistics	Guidance
block 2	Matrix Algebra	Microeconomics	Academic Skills 1
block 3	Analysis	Macroeconomics	
block 4	Probability Theory	Introduction to Programming	Vector Calculus
block 5	Statistics	Linear Optimisation	Mathematical Methods

### Bachelor year 2

block 1	Accounting	Introduction to Multivariate Statistics	Programming	
block 2	International Economics	Non-linear Optimisation		Academic Skills 2
block 3	Finance 1	Econometrics 1		
block 4	Introduction to Behavioural Economics	Empirical Marketing	Econometrics 2	
		Philosophy		
block 5	Organisation and Strategy	Intermediate Accounting		

### Bachelor year 3

block 1	Applied Microeconomics	Combinatorial Optimisation		
block 2	Mathematical Economics	Markov Processes	Economics of the Welfare State	Economics and Business Economic Major
block 3	Simulation			
block 4	Introductory Seminar Case Studies			
block 5	Econometrics and Operations Research		Time Series Analysis	

### Bachelor year 4

block 1	Minor/Study Abroad/Internship		
block 2	Electives/Study Abroad/Internship		
block 3	Econometrics Major	History of Economic Thought	
block 4			
block 5	Bachelor's Thesis		Career Skills

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**Start**  
September



**Language**  
English



**Degrees**  
BSc Econometrics and Operations Research + BSc Economics and Business Economics



# Double bachelor in Economics/Econometrics and Philosophy of Economics/Econometrics

 [eur.nl/economics-philosophy](https://eur.nl/economics-philosophy)

 [eur.nl/econometrics-philosophy](https://eur.nl/econometrics-philosophy)

Erasmus School of Economics and Erasmus School of Philosophy offer a unique opportunity for students who wish to combine their economics or econometrics degree with a second degree in philosophy. Students in this programme obtain two degrees in four years: Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Economics and Business Economics or Econometrics and Operations Research and a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Philosophy of a Specific Discipline.

The economics or econometrics part of the programme prepares you for a career in which you analyse and solve issues in the field of economics and business, either by applying mathematical concepts (economics) or building mathematical models (econometrics).

The philosophy part of the programme enables you to develop philosophical skills such as logical reasoning and the ability to express yourself clearly in writing. You will learn about philosophical problems and ethical issues, and you will gain knowledge about the history and basic assumptions of the academic discipline of economics. Having these two bachelor degrees increases your employability and gives you a head start when searching for a job. Your background in philosophy will provide you with an awareness of the theoretical foundations of your discipline. This helps you ask relevant questions, develop creative solutions, and set yourself apart from others.

## Study programme

### Year one: focus on economics or econometrics

In your first year of the programme, you will follow the complete first year of either the International Bachelor in Economics and Business Economics or Econometrics and Operations Research.

### Years two and three: from a solid foundation to a second bachelor

In addition to the regular economics or econometrics curriculum, you will follow introductory philosophy courses in the first ten weeks of the academic year. These lectures will be given in the evening (after 6pm).

### Year four: focus on Philosophy

The fourth year of your programme will consist solely of advanced philosophy courses, divided into eight blocks per year. Each block runs for five weeks and lectures will be given in the late afternoon and evening hours. In total, the fourth year contains 60 credits. In the course of this final year you will also be guided by an advisor in writing their thesis.

Depending on which programme you would like to combine the bachelor in Philosophy of a Specific Discipline with, please see the course overview of Economics and Business Economics on page 6 or Econometrics and Operations Research on page 8.

## Course overview

### Bachelor year 1

No Philosophy courses in the first year.

### Bachelor year 2

block 1	Enlightenment
block 2	Human Conditions
block 3	Theoretical Analytical Philosophy
block 3	Politics and Critique

### Bachelor year 3

block 1	Climate Ethics
block 2	Philosophy of Science
block 3	History of Metaphysics & Epistemology
block 4	Philosophy of Art, Media and Technology

### Bachelor year 4

block 1	Second Degree Milestone Trajectory	Thesis
block 2	Second Degree Milestone Trajectory	
block 3	Ethical Aspects of Economics	
block 4	Class, Race and Gender	

No rights can be derived from this overview. This overview shows one of the options to design the programme. However, the programme is flexible and can be further optimised to the schemes of individual students.



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English



**Degrees**  
BSc Economics/Econometrics + BA Philosophy of Economics/Econometrics

# Make the most of your study

## Study abroad

One of the main features of our bachelor programmes is the opportunity to study abroad in the third or fourth year (BSc<sup>2</sup>). Erasmus School of Economics has a versatile and attractive global network of approximately 105 partner universities that are strong in economics and business economics. Many of them are ranked in the Top 100 of the 2023 Academic Ranking of World Universities by subject Economics.

## Internship

At Erasmus School of Economics you can obtain study credits when completing a non-mandatory internship in the third or fourth year (BSc<sup>2</sup>) of the bachelor programme. An internship takes eight weeks and has a study workload of 12 EC. During the internship you will be applying scientific

knowledge and skills (gained during your study) in a professional environment. The internship has to have both an academic approach and academic relevance. Supervision during the internship consists of practical supervision by the internship company and academic supervision by Erasmus School of Economics. An additional option would be to combine an internship with writing a thesis.

## Bachelor Honours Class

The Bachelor Honours Class offers you the opportunity to broaden your horizons, to extend your knowledge and further develop your skills. The extracurricular programme offers you a unique chance to attend guest lectures by industry leaders and experts in the fields of science, business and politics on different current economic issues and improve your academic, writing and presentation skills in various assignments.

## Erasmus Recruitment Days

With over 100 companies participating, the Erasmus Recruitment Days is the largest on-campus recruitment event in Europe. This event takes place annually at Erasmus University Rotterdam.



## Study associations

As an Economics or Econometrics student in Rotterdam you have every opportunity to enjoy an active student life. The city of Rotterdam as well as a variety of student associations offer you all sorts of activities, in a social and a professional context.

Erasmus School of Economics is proud to support the study associations for its students and wholeheartedly encourages you to become active members.

Our official study associations for the BSc programmes are:

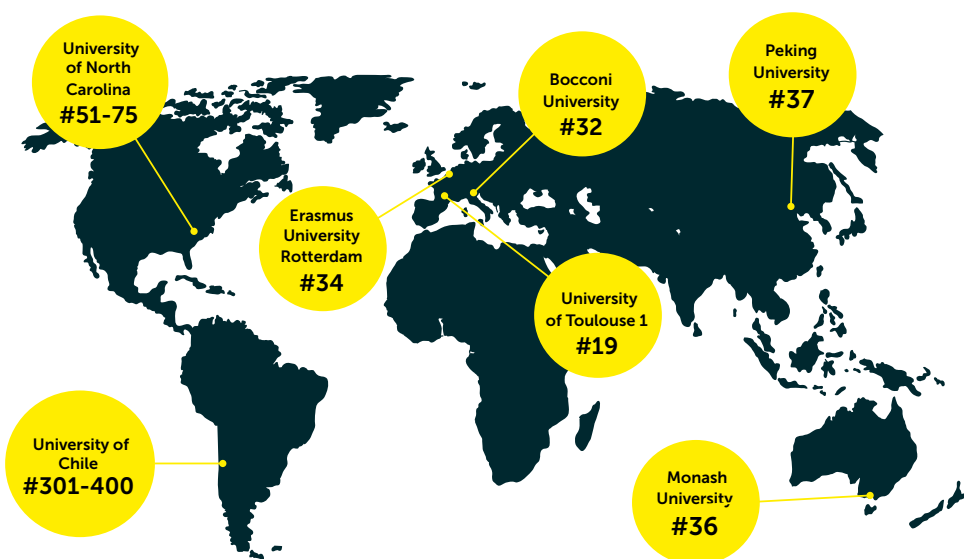
**Economic Faculty Association Rotterdam (EFR)**, established in 1963, is one of the largest and most active study associations in the Netherlands. EFR organises a variety of events like international conferences, the Business Week and inspiring international lectures. Events for you to attend or even help organising. The activities are not only socially, professionally and culturally relevant to your study programme – they offer you great fun at the same time.



**FAECTOR** is the thriving student faculty association for aspiring econometricians. Examples of activities that FAECTOR organises are: Quantitative Finance Tour (visit investment banks in London), Study project trips (for example in Canada, Brazil, South Korea, Taiwan), The National Econometrics Day (co-organisers). Smaller events include social drinks, company visits, and sport tournaments. At this moment, FAECTOR is the largest study association for Econometrics students in the world!



A full list of student and study associations at Erasmus University Rotterdam is available on [eur.nl/en/education/study-rotterdam/student-life/student-organisations](https://eur.nl/en/education/study-rotterdam/student-life/student-organisations)





What do  
our alumni  
say?

'In a constantly changing environment, I am applying the analytical skills which I acquired in studying Behavioural Economics. Principally, I gained an ability to understand complex problems quickly by breaking them down into smaller components.'

**Johannes-Alexander Weis**

Behavioural Economics

Data Scientist | Solution Engineer at Celonis SE



'One of my first projects was to build a model that determines how valuable each type of email that we send to customers is. To answer this question, I literally opened one of my textbooks to find an appropriate model I could build to estimate the effect of every email.'

**Susanne Reijndorp**

BSc in Econometrics and Operations Research, Master programme in Business Analytics and Quantitative Marketing, Research Data Scientist at bol.com



'Although my current job does not necessarily require econometric modelling, the analytical mindset and numeracy skills obtained during my studies have definitely helped me with data analyses I have had to perform.'

**Christiaan Lensvelt**

BSc in Econometrics and Operations Research, Master programme in Quantitative Finance and Econometrics, Associate Consultant at Eden McCallum



# Master programmes

Eager to continue your education? We would gladly welcome you to our one-year master programmes with specialisations that match the available majors in the bachelor programmes. For you wishing to pursue a career in research, our two-year Research Master programmes at Tinbergen Institute could be of interest. We offer:

## MSc in Accounting, Auditing and Control

- Accounting and Auditing
- Accounting and Control
- Accounting and Finance

## MSc in Economics and Business

- Behavioural Economics
- Data Science and Marketing Analytics
- Economics of Markets and Organisations
- Economics of Sustainability
- Financial Economics
- Health Economics
- International Economics
- Marketing
- Policy Economics
- Strategy Economics
- Urban, Port and Transport Economics

## MSc in Econometrics and Management Science

- Analytics and Operations Research in Logistics
- Business Analytics and Quantitative Marketing
- Econometrics
- Quantitative Finance

## Research Master in Business Data Science

## Research Master in Economics

# Career prospects

Of course, your career opportunities partly depend on your chosen specialisation subjects, but being an Economics or Econometrics graduate from Rotterdam will give you an excellent opportunity to follow the career path of your choice.

Our Economics graduates often work in fields of banking, accountancy, tax consultancy, economic research or at trade and multinational companies, but you also find plenty of Rotterdam economists in more generalist positions at academic level. They become stock exchange analysts, entrepreneurs, tax inspectors, politicians, HR managers, sales and marketing managers or scientific journalists for example.

We confidently state that being an Econometrics graduate from Rotterdam opens career doors everywhere. Investment banks, insurance companies, asset management companies, marketing research and consultancy firms, multinationals, transport authorities, and government agencies would gladly welcome you.



## Rotterdam

International students consider Rotterdam a great place to study. No doubt, you will too. Although your bachelor programme might be demanding, there is always room for extra-curricular and social activities.

### Culture and Entertainment

Rotterdam offers a multitude of cultural events and entertainment throughout the year. Have you heard of the International Film Festival Rotterdam, North Sea Jazz or Museum Boijmans van Beuningen for example? Whether it is festivals and concerts or museums and cinemas that you like, you will definitely find something that appeals to you in Rotterdam.



### Going out in the city

Go for a drink at the Witte de Withstraat, the Oude Haven and the Nieuwe Binnenweg or cross the Erasmus bridge to the Kop van Zuid. Relax on one of the many terraces and sip your cappuccino or beer while looking at the people passing by. Enjoy dancing? Clubbing in Rotterdam will prove to be an epic experience. Good to know: most students prefer Thursdays for their night on the town.



### Kralingse Plas

Relax and soak up the sun in this great lakeside park. It's close to university and loved by students for a beautiful view of Rotterdam skyline and its sunsets.



### Fenix Food Factory

A culinary hotspot in an old port warehouse in Katendrecht. A place for enjoying local food and drinks with your friends.

### Shopping

Rotterdam features the latest and the best in music, fashion, books and dining, regardless of taste or budget. Lijnbaan, Koopgoot and Hoogstraat have a varied collection of shops, mainly the bigger commercial chains. For original boutiques and galleries take a look at the Oude and Nieuwe Binnenweg or the Pannekoekstraat in the centre of Rotterdam or visit the 'Zwaanshalskwartier' in Rotterdam North.



### Outdoor and sports

Rotterdam is a popular host city for major sports events, such as the Rotterdam Marathon, the World Tennis Tournament and the CHIO horse riding event. If you enjoy outdoor activities, you can go biking, jogging or inline skating in one of the city parks, go sailing on the Rottemeren or visit Hoek van Holland beach!



### Markthal Rotterdam

A city icon. The largest indoor market of the Netherlands. Shops, fresh food units, bars, restaurants and apartments are all based under an enormous arch, decorated with an impressive artwork.





Meet the  
University



## Campus

Erasmus University Rotterdam offers everything you need right on campus. Besides the obvious lecture rooms, the campus has a lot more to offer. Visit [www.experience.eur.nl](http://www.experience.eur.nl) for a virtual tour!

### Eureka!

As a student you can join a variety of associations. Study associations organise activities that are related to the bachelor programme. Student associations are of a more social nature and are a great way to meet students from other programmes. During the Erasmus University Rotterdam orientation week (Eurekaweek) you can familiarise yourself with these associations.



### For focus and concentration

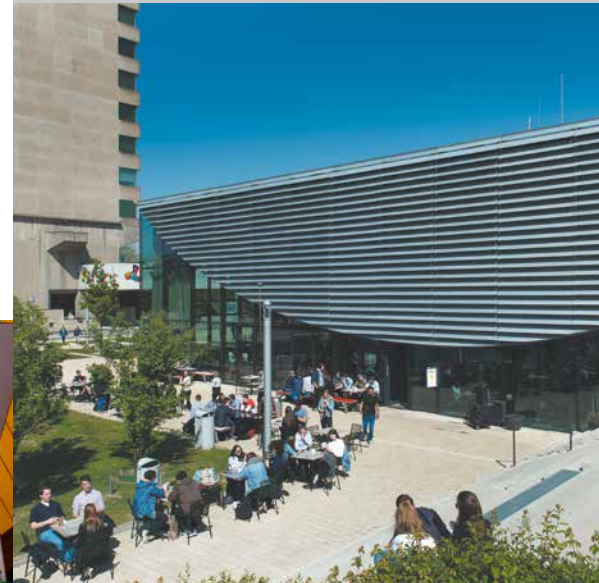
Attend lectures, prepare for exams or study with your fellow students in the Polak building or at the library.

### Backbone

Read more about Erasmus School of Economics, our research, professors, students and alumni in our online magazine Backbone on [eur.nl/en/ese/about-us/backbone-magazines](http://eur.nl/en/ese/about-us/backbone-magazines)

### Staying fit

From fitness to basketball and from tennis to rugby, the Erasmus Sports Center has over 50 different sports to offer.



### Dining

The Erasmus Food Plaza offers you many options for lunch or early dinner. Or visit the Erasmus Pavilion for a bite and some drinks with friends.

### Facilities

Whether your bicycle has a flat tire, you are in desperate need of a haircut or you forgot to stop at the supermarket on the way to the campus. No worries, on campus you'll find a bike shop, hairdresser and mini supermarket to help you out.



### Cultural life

Do you like exploring the cultural life of Rotterdam, do you enjoy participating in courses and workshops, or do you want to expand your knowledge in a range of current topics not necessarily related to your study? Make sure to check out the calendar of Studium Generale.



# Meet us

With so many options to choose from, deciding what programme to choose and where to study can be a challenge. Our advice: compare programmes, visit open days and other events and talk to (former) students for some first-hand experience. For your convenience, here is a list of ways to learn more about us and our study programmes.

## Join one of our webinars

We regularly organise Erasmus School of Economics webinars. Each session covers one or two topics. Sessions always consist of a presentation by a staff member or a student, followed by a Q&A session. These webinars are the perfect way to meet us when you are not able to visit Rotterdam.

 [eur.nl/en/ese/webinars](https://eur.nl/en/ese/webinars)

## Chat with our students

Want to find out more about Erasmus School of Economics? Have a chat with one of our student ambassadors to get a first-hand account of what it's like to study and live in Rotterdam.

 [eur.nl/en/ese/chat-our-students](https://eur.nl/en/ese/chat-our-students)

## Meet your professor

Are you curious to meet the professors of Erasmus School of Economics? Check out our "Meet your professor" videos on our Youtube channel and learn more about their life, ambitions and the research they're doing.

 [eur.nl/en/ese/about-us/meet-your-professor](https://eur.nl/en/ese/about-us/meet-your-professor)

## Open days

Like to learn more about Erasmus School of Economics? Just visit one of our open days to tour the Erasmus campus and attend information sessions about the university in general and specific study programmes. You can also get a taste of student life in our "Student for a Day" programme with lectures and assignments.

 [eur.nl/en/ese/bachelor-events](https://eur.nl/en/ese/bachelor-events)

## Campus tour

If you are unable to visit us during an Open Day, please contact us to book a guided campus tour.

 [eur.nl/en/ese/education/campus-tour](https://eur.nl/en/ese/education/campus-tour)

## Visit our campus from your phone

Even if you can't visit us in person, you can still get a feeling for student life in our online experience. See classrooms in 360°, visit students' favourite spots in the city, and take a virtual stroll across campus – all from your mobile.

 [experience.eur.nl](https://experience.eur.nl)

'The programme is unique to me because it strikes the right balance between theory and application. It has a lot of theoretical economics-focused courses as well as more applied business subjects. This allows students to not only better understand but also use the knowledge gained.'

### Caio Lafraia Brant

International Bachelor Economics and Business Economics

What our students say



'You need a good work ethic. I think all subjects are doable if you don't fall back to much. I wasn't especially good at maths in high school, but still passed all my classes by simply keeping up with the homework and paying attention during the lectures.'

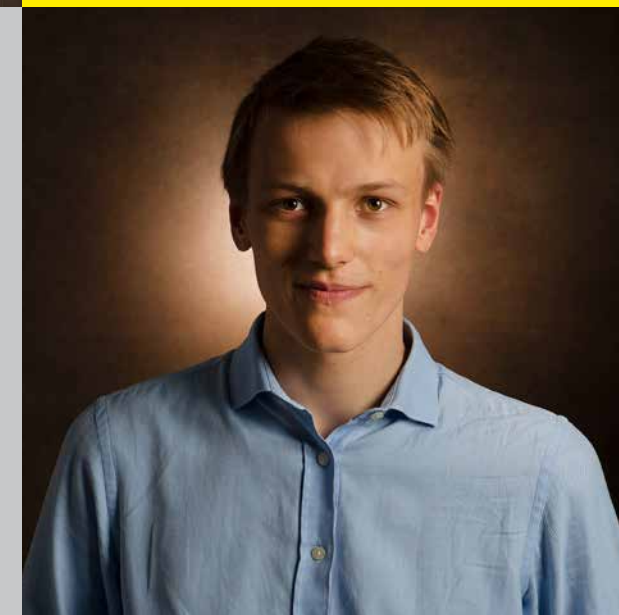
### Josien Demmers

International Bachelor Econometrics and Operations Research

'A typical BSc2 student has a knack for mathematics, is a good student with good study skills, and a broad interest in society and economics. We are a very diverse group, from the different backgrounds in terms of culture and language to our different interests and goals. Yet all BSc2 students are ambitious, friendly, and interesting people, which creates a nice and stimulating environment and a real sense of community!'

### Arthur Kuhlmann

Double bachelor BSc<sup>2</sup> Econometrics and Economics



# Application and admission

Due to the small scale of our programmes, we only allow a limited number of students to start each year. We take great care in selecting our students from the large number of applications received. The first thing we look at is your diploma, your mathematical competence and your command of English. We may ask you to demonstrate these qualities before accepting you as a candidate.

## Diplomas

To qualify for admission, you need a Dutch vwo diploma (or equivalent thereof) that includes either mathematics at a standard or a higher level (depending on the programme you are applying for). We will review foreign diplomas like European Baccalaureate or IB Diploma to determine academic qualification. If you do not meet the required mathematics level, you could be requested to take an entrance exam.

## Proof of English proficiency

Applicants must show proficiency in the English language, as all communication within the programme is in English. All applicants are expected to demonstrate this by means of a certified TOEFL iBT, Academic IELTS test or Cambridge certificate.

The minimum required scores are as follows:

Bachelor	
TOEFL iBT	80
Academic IELTS	6.0
Cambridge B2 First (FCE)	170
Cambridge C1 Advanced (CAE)	170
Cambridge C2 Proficiency (CPE)	180

For a full overview of the admission requirements for each programme, please visit [eur.nl/en/ese/education/bachelor/admission-requirements](https://eur.nl/en/ese/education/bachelor/admission-requirements).

## Apply before the deadline

If you are planning to start a bachelor programme at Erasmus School of Economics in September, please note that you need to apply before April 1 (non-EEA nationalities) or May 1 (EEA nationalities). Applications are reviewed on a rolling admission basis, which means your application will be reviewed individually and you will receive feedback within six weeks after submitting your application.



# Practical information

## Tuition fees

For the academic year 2025-2026 tuition fees of Erasmus School of Economics are as follows:

BSc programmes	
EEA nationals	€ 2.601
Non EEA nationals	€ 11.400

[eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/registration/tuition-fee](https://eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/registration/tuition-fee)

## Cost of living

Experience has shown that students living and studying in Rotterdam spend approximately € 1.500 a month.

Accommodation	€ 800 / 1.000
Insurance	€ 65
Books and study materials	€ 100
Daily expenses (food, drinks, transport, etc.)	€ 400

## Scholarships

There are various options for students with a non-EEA nationality, you can find them listed on [eur.nl/en/ese/education/bachelor/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships-and-grants](https://eur.nl/en/ese/education/bachelor/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships-and-grants).

Do keep in mind that the deadlines to apply for scholarships and grants will often require an early admission decision for the bachelor programme.

# Student support

Erasmus School of Economics offers assistance in the following areas:

- Visa and/ or residence permit
- Housing

After admission you will receive specific information and instructions from us. Please do inform yourself as well by checking the following websites:

- Immigration: [eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/immigration](https://eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/immigration)
- Housing: [eur.nl/en/education/study-rotterdam/living-here/housing-international-students](https://eur.nl/en/education/study-rotterdam/living-here/housing-international-students)
- Insurance: [eur.nl/en/education/study-rotterdam/living-here/insurance](https://eur.nl/en/education/study-rotterdam/living-here/insurance)
- Welcome activities: [eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/studying-eur/orientation](https://eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/studying-eur/orientation)
- Finances: [eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/orientation-arrival/budget-plan/financial-aid](https://eur.nl/en/education/practical-matters/orientation-arrival/budget-plan/financial-aid)

## iBuddy programme

Especially for new international students, Erasmus School of Economics offers the iBuddy programme in cooperation with the Economic Faculty association Rotterdam (EFR) and Faculty Association Econometrics & Operations Research (FACTOR).

What does the iBuddy programme entail?

- Before your arrival in Rotterdam, you will be linked to a buddy. This is a senior student, who is following the same study programme.
- You can ask your buddy all your questions about studying and student life in Rotterdam, before your arrival in Rotterdam by e-mail.
- Free participation in the Welcome event, which is a social drink.
- There are no costs and no further obligations involved in participation in the iBuddy programme.

You will receive an invitation for the iBuddy programme by e-mail in June or July.



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# Useful addresses

## Visiting Address

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3062 PA Rotterdam  
The Netherlands

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**E-mail:** [educationmarketing@ese.eur.nl](mailto:educationmarketing@ese.eur.nl)

**Internet:** [eur.nl/en/ese/education/bachelor](http://eur.nl/en/ese/education/bachelor)

## Useful websites

Studying in the Netherlands  
[www.studyinnl.org](http://www.studyinnl.org)

Rotterdam city  
[en.rotterdam.info](http://en.rotterdam.info)





# Why Erasmus School of Economics

**34%** of the **Erasmus School of Economics**  
student population is international, representing  
**93 different nationalities**

Academic Ranking of World Universities 2023 - subject Economics



**4.480**

Bachelor enrolments  
Erasmus School of  
Economics


**Total**  
**35.140**

student enrolments  
Erasmus University  
Rotterdam





**Total**  
**7.066**

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