



THE RSM BSC EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE OFFERS YOU

- Learning at one of Europe's [top business schools](#)
- A curriculum taught entirely in English
- Global classmates representing 80 nationalities
- A lively and close-knit student body
- Courses from our 1st, 2nd & 3rd year Bachelor programme
- Exchange Ambassadors (buddy system)
- Enthusiastic international staff and teaching faculty
- A stimulating and interactive learning environment
- Recruitment events throughout the year

Websites

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[Studying in Rotterdam](#) - a corporate hub, close to the commercial heart of Europe

ACCREDITATIONS, RANKING AND NETWORKS



- **Accreditations:** EQUIS, AACSB, AMBA, place among the 1% of schools worldwide with Triple Crown accreditation
- **Rankings:** A consistent ranking amongst Europe's top-ranked business schools
- **Networks:** Member of [CEMS](#), the global alliance in management education and [PIM](#), the Partnership in International Management.
- **Partners:** Our partners, from both the educational and corporate worlds, are essential for bridging RSM's research and education to real-life practice. Our partners help to bring theory into practice and ensure that the work that we do here at RSM remains relevant and allows us to create the positive impact we aim for in the world.

EXCHANGE STUDENTS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO

- Support in finding [accommodation](#), either on- or off-campus.
- [RSM Career Centre](#), the link to local and international companies for all RSM students. Its range of services are internship or career focused. The Career Centre furthermore offers a [Career Portal](#).
- [Language & Training Centre](#) for language courses, including Dutch for beginners.
- [Studium Generale](#) for scientific, social, and cultural programmes
- [ESN-R](#), Erasmus Student Network Rotterdam; to enhance academic and social experiences for international students in Rotterdam, providing a wide range of activities like city trips, sports, musical and cultural events.
- [STAR](#), the Study Association of RSM; the largest in Europe with more than 6,500 members. It organises a wide range of events, including the largest on-campus recruitment event in the NL, STAR Management Week, and RSM STAR Case Competition. Membership discount for exchange students applies.
- Buddy-system: every incoming student is assigned to an RSM student (exchange ambassador).

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Fall

1st Bachelor year: Block 1 (Aug-Oct) and 2 (Oct-Dec)
2nd Bachelor year: Block 5 (Aug-Oct) and 6 (Oct-Dec)
3rd Bachelor year: Block 9 (Aug-Nov) and 10 (Nov-Dec)

In general exams are scheduled the week after or at the end of each block. Most re-sits, however, take place in January (block 5), February (block 2 and 10), March (block 6), July (block 9).

Spring

1st Bachelor year: block 3 (mid Jan- end March) and block 4 (early April - end May)
2nd Bachelor year: block 7 (mid-Jan – mid-March) and block 8 (early April - early June)
3rd Bachelor year: block 11 (early Jan – mid-Feb), block 12 (end Feb – end March), block 13 (early April – mid-May), block 14 (mid-May – end June)

In general exams are scheduled the week after or at the end of each block. Re-sits, however, take place end of March - early April (block 3A & 11), mid-May (block 12), mid-June - end of June (block 3B), end of June (block 7 & 13), early July/mid-July (block 4, 8 & 14).

LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

Teaching Language	English
Duration	Students are expected to complete their entire exchange programme at RSM including final exams. Neither exemptions nor special arrangements with teaching staff can be made to schedule exams or re-sits on other dates, times, or places.
Introduction	At the start of each full-term programme, introduction activities are being organized. Exchange students are strongly recommended to participate in order not to miss out on important programme information and it is THE day to meet all fellow students.
Workload	Courses are denominated in EC (European Credits). The workload of one academic year is 60 EC. One EC is the equivalent of 28 hours (including in-class hours, self-study, group work, writing papers and exam preparation). A 10 EC course has approximately 12 contact hours a week. For exchange students, the minimum workload is 20 EC for the fall term and 30 EC for the spring term and a maximum of 30 EC for the fall term and 40 EC for the spring term applies.
Examinations	The assessment of the performance of students varies; written or take-home exams, progress reports, in-class presentations, group performance and essays.
Grading	The Dutch grading system uses grades 1 to 10, with 1 being the lowest and 10 the highest. Grades are generally given to one decimal place. Grades with a 0.4 or lower will be rounded down, and grades with a 0.5 or more will be rounded up. Transcripts from students in our exchange programmes will show grades to 1 decimal place. See also: RSM grading scale

CURRICULUM:	
Courses at RSM	Undergraduate students from our partner schools participate in our Bachelor Exchange Programme and moreover in courses from our 3-year BSc International Business Administration (IBA) programme. All courses are taught in English and the curriculum offers a broad approach and options for differentiation, covering all functional areas of business.
Course overview Bachelor 1, 2 & 3	<u>On this page an overview of bachelor 1, 2 and 3rd year courses are given.</u> The majority of these courses are open to exchange students.
Course manuals	Course manuals are published about two weeks prior to the start of the courses.
International Business: The Dutch Way	This course has been specially designed for exchange students to introduce them to the Dutch business environment and its economic and cultural settings. Economic analyses are examined and discussed in the context of European and Dutch cultures. Special attention is given to recent developments in large international companies located in the Netherlands. Students will become familiar with several Dutch companies, each showing a different aspect of doing international business in the Netherlands and will work on assignments for each one. Company visits, assignments in the form of business challenges and linked to guest lectures will be part of this course. This course is offered in spring term only.
Course enrollment	Upon nomination by their home university, students will receive all practical information and instructions on how/ when to enroll for courses by email.
Courses at other faculties	Only a few other schools/courses are open to exchange students. Every school has its own course registration procedure and deadline, it is therefore the student's own responsibility to register in time for courses and avoid overlap in the timetable of RSM. Arts, Culture & History: <u>History courses</u> <u>International Bachelor Arts and Culture Studies</u> Media & Communication: <u>Media & Communication Courses - Bachelor / Undergraduate level</u> Erasmus School of Social and Behavioral Sciences: <u>ESSB courses for exchange students from other faculties</u>

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Open to	Third-or fourth year bachelor level students who are studying at our BSc partner schools and who are selected by their home university.
English requirement	TOEFL iBT 80+ (minimum subscore of 18 for reading & listening, and 20 for speaking and 21 for writing). IELTS 6.5 (minimum subscore of 6.0 for reading, listening, speaking, and writing). TOEIC 800+ (listening & reading) AND 320+ (speaking & writing). CEFR level B2. Cambridge FCE/CAE/CPE/BEC Higher 170 (minimum subscore of 170 for reading, listening, speaking & writing). Or another English language certificate of a comparable level. No statements from universities are accepted anymore.
English exemption	Non-native English speakers whose current study programme is completely taught in English are exempted, though proof needs to be provided.
After nomination at RSM	About a month prior to the student's application deadline, nominated students will receive a Welcome Email with instructions for the online application system, information about visa and residence permit (if applicable), accommodation, academic calendar, and other relevant information to help them prepare. Before the first course application/registration starts, we will provide an online Q&A session.
Deadline application	It is the student's own responsibility to submit the exchange application in time. Fall: May 15 Spring: October 15 Late applications will not be dealt with unless agreed upon with the partner school.
Required documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed RSM online application • 1 digital passport size photo (jpg file) • Scan of personal details page of passport • Scan of a recent official transcript (or academic report) showing grades, from the first year to the latest results • Proof of proficiency in English
Information during and after the application process	Students can check their status in the online application system. Upon approval of the application, students will receive at least 2 other email messages: 1) One with information on the course registration including specific information about the courses, timetables, etc. 2) The other with more detailed information on the introduction, arrival in the Netherlands, the Exchange Ambassador Programme, which is also referred to as the 'final Information email'. The Letter of Acceptance is sent to students through the online application system.
Visa/residence permit	The Exchange Office will check whether a student needs to apply for a visa and/or residence permit. If applicable, the student will be informed and directed to all instructions as mentioned on our webpage: Immigration . Visa requirements are subject to change. Always check: Visa

Costs of living	The estimated costs for a period of 4 months are approximately € 6,000. These costs include visa and/or residence permit (if applicable), living expenses, health/3d party insurance (mandatory), books, meals & drinks. However, all costs depend on a student's personal spending pattern and therefore costs may vary.
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NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTNERS

Online nomination	By email, RSM Exchange Office will send its partner schools instructions on how to nominate their students in our online system.
Nomination deadlines for partner schools	Fall: May 1 Spring: October 1
Application deadlines for students	Fall: May 15 Spring: October 15

THE EXCHANGE OFFICE

Your first point of contact and the hub of communication for RSM's network of more than 175 business schools around the world.

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EMERGENCY NUMBER OF ERASMUS UNIVERSITY ROTTERDAM

In case of major emergencies (life threatening situations) affecting our in- and/or outgoing students, students or partner schools can dial (+31)640847882. This number is not to be confused with the local emergency number(s), which is 112!



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