

# MBA exchange program fact sheet

Academic Year  
2022-2023



# Deadlines for Receipt of Exchange Nominations:

**FOR FALL TERM 2022: April 18th (Monday)**

**FOR WINTER TERM 2023: August 29th (Monday)**

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## Campus facilities

IESE Business School offers a diverse selection of postgraduate programs on its North and South campuses in Barcelona, which are located in a pleasant residential neighbourhood that is well connected to the city centre by public transport. The facilities include PC labs, auditoriums, modern classrooms and workrooms, an MBA Hub, Wi-Fi, library, bookstore, cafeterias, dining room, student lounge, gardens, etc. There are many professional clubs. Social and sporting events are organized on and off campus throughout the term.

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## Study program

Full-Time Bilingual MBA Program (second academic year).

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## Courses

More than 40 electives are on offer each term, including intensive electives which take place during the first two weeks of the term. Due to scheduling constraints, course lists are confirmed quite late in the process (June for the Fall term and November for the Winter/Spring term), but nominated Exchange students are kept fully informed via email. The availability of some high-demanded courses for the Exchange students depends on the demand from the IESE students at their home campus. The information on the number of seats available for each of the courses will be visible in the Bidding Platform. For a general overview of typical second-year courses, please check the IESE website.

<https://mba.iese.edu/program/curriculum-content/year-2/electives/>

The course load might also include the possibility of joining our Overseas Modules. During the second year students can choose to take one or two weeks modules at diverse locations around the world. However, the availability of Overseas Modules for Exchange students depends on demand from the IESE students at their home campus.

Past Overseas Modules destinations have varied from New York and Sao Paulo (Fall Term) to Shanghai, Dubai and Nairobi (Winter/Spring Term). During these Overseas Modules students can accumulate up to two credits. The modules often include company visits and networking events that give a direct insight into business practices in each of these important locations. IESE is continuing to expand this innovative concept in response to extremely positive reviews from our students.

- **August:** Overseas Modules of one week in Sao Paulo and in New York (TBC)
- **January:** Overseas Modules in Shanghai, Dubai and Nairobi (TBC)



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## Visa requirement

To enter Spain, all students must have a current passport. We understand that some nationals must also have a student or tourist visa stamp on their passport. IESE Business School is not directly involved in immigration issues and can give no instructions on this matter. Visiting exchange students must, however, comply with Spanish immigration regulations, which vary according to nationality and total length of stay. Students are therefore advised to check on their specific case at the nearest Spanish Consulate **as soon as possible** after nomination. Admission certificates (required for visa applications) are routinely provided to all nominated students.

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## Housing

There is no on-campus housing, so IESE students mostly share rented apartments, as do exchange students. General advice and links to the IESE student network for apartment-share options can be found in the Facebook group page of the MBA class of 2023:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/723318388266261>

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## Cost of living expenses

The cost of living in Barcelona is comparable to that of any major European city. Estimated expenses per month for a single student sharing housing: €1,930. Visiting exchange students are not charged for their case materials and the estimated cost of recommended books is approximately €200 per term. Students planning to travel during the term should increase their budget accordingly.

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## Health insurance

Exchange students must come from their home countries with their own health and travel insurance to cover the entire period of their visit to Spain. IESE is not responsible for providing Exchange students with health insurance while they are students at IESE.

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## Career services

IESE's MBA Career Services Department is open to all exchange visitors from partner schools that have reciprocity agreements with IESE.

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## Information prior to arrival

After nomination, students are emailed a preliminary Overview. Several weeks before arrival, they are sent a full Information Package that includes course bidding instructions. On their first day at IESE, they receive a Welcome Package. IESE has a student "buddy" system and the MBA Office Team provides full support before and during the exchange term.

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## Arrival date

Fall term starts on August 29th, 2022 and ends on December 16th, 2021. Winter term starts on January 9th, 2023 and will finish on April 28th, 2022. Students are advised to arrive one week before the term starts so they can settle in.

They should preferably come earlier if they have not yet secured housing. An official Orientation Day will be announced a couple of weeks before the course begins.

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## How to get to the campus

IESE Campus is connected to the city center by bus, train (Ferrocarril) and metro. The closest stops are:

- Av. d'Esplugues (bus lines n° 63,78,H4,68,75) – 8' walk – Av. Pearson (bus lines n° V5) – 4' walk
- Reina Elisenda (train line n° L12) – 15' walk
- Maria Cristina (metro line L3) – 20' walk

There is a parking available in North Campus for students moving around by car or motorbike.

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