School of Business, Renmin University of China Student Exchange Program Guidelines for 2024

1. School Profile

As one of China's premier business schools, RMBS boasts the longest history of management education in China, dating back to 1950. With close to 4,000 students and over 150 faculty members, it is the biggest and the most internationalized school among all 23 schools at Renmin University of China. In 2013 the school's Business Administration discipline was ranked No. 1 in the national assessment by the Ministry of Education based on the quality of faculty, research, alumni, and overall reputation. All course in the International MBA program (IMBA) are taught in English.

2. Place

Beijing, China

3. Term Period

Semester: Approximately September 4, 2024 to late December 2024 or early January 2025*

* Exact dates are to be confirmed

Note:

Students who study abroad during the period above will be unable to attend required tutorials for Master's Thesis and Research Project II and may be unable to participate in one or more of the required workshops. Before applying for the exchange program, students should consult their supervisor and the faculty member in charge of international affairs about the period they wish to study abroad and how it will affect their progress in Master's Thesis and Research Project II.

Please note that in order to receive two credits for Master's Thesis and Research Project II, students will need to meet with their supervisor before or after returning from the exchange program to compensate for missed sessions. (90 minutes x 15 face-to-face sessions are required to earn two credits.) Students who are unable to attend a mandatory workshop due to study abroad will be required to give a presentation on the progress of their Master's Thesis/ Research Project to DBS professors upon return to Kyoto. These tutorial sessions and/or make-up presentations must be completed within the DBS fall semester.

4. Application Procedures

- a. Application Deadline: March 15 (Friday)
- b. Application Form: The application form is available for download on the Current Student's page.
- c. The DBS office will only accept one exchange program application per person.

5. Course Registration

This exchange program will take place in the fall semester of the DBS calendar. Students will remain enrolled at Doshisha during their time at the partner university. In order to receive credits for coursework completed abroad, students must first complete registration procedures for DBS <u>and</u> the partner university **before** going abroad. The DBS office will contact successful applicants to guide them through the registration process.

Credit Conversion Chart

Renmin University of China	DBS
1 RMBS Credit	1 DBS Credit
2 RMBS Credit	2 DBS Credit

Students may register up to 12 credits at Renmin.

Note that <u>only 10 credits</u> from courses outside of the Global MBA curriculum (such as courses in the Japanese MBA program and/or at a partner university) can be counted toward graduation.

6. Program Eligibility

- a. This exchange program is open to currently enrolled DBS students.
- b. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above
- c. In accordance with the policy at Renmin University of China, Chinese passport holders are not eligible.
- d. Renmin University of China does not require any official test record of English, but non-native English speakers are expected to demonstrate proficiency in writing and communicating in the classroom in order to be able to fulfill the course assignments. Students should meet one of the following requirements:
 - TOEFL iBT® 83 or above (Minimum Test of Written English score 20 points)
- e. MEXT scholarship recipients and JICA scholarship recipients are not eligible to participate in the student exchange program due to the scholarship terms and conditions and/or the program regulations.
- f. Students receiving other scholarships should verify the rules regarding prolonged study outside of Japan.
- g. All students wishing to apply to the exchange program should consult with their supervisor and the faculty member in charge of international affairs before submitting the application form.

7. Maximum Number of Participants

2 students

8. Nomination Process

Successful students will act as representatives of Doshisha Business School at the partner university and, therefore, will be nominated via a careful selection process. Please note that an interview may be required. The DBS faculty will select up to the maximum number of participants from the list of applicants and will finalize the list of nominees in the faculty meeting. The DBS office will notify applicants of the results after the faculty meeting. It is important to note that a nomination from the DBS faculty is not a formal acceptance. Nominated students will be required to submit a formal application to the partner university.

9. Content of the Exchange Program

For information about courses, please see the "Renmin Business School Exchange Program Fact Sheet" on the Renmin Business School website.

RMBS Student Exchange: Information for Incoming Students:

Curriculum - Course Offering - International Exchange (ruc.edu.cn)

10. Costs

Students who participate in this student exchange program will be responsible for tuition fees, living expenses, travel and transportation cost plus any associated costs for rent or bills in Japan.

- a. Students will pay the same tuition and facilities fees to Doshisha University as if they were on campus. There will be no additional tuition fees required at the partner university.
- Estimated Monthly Living Expenses in Beijing:
 Students should budget a minimum of approximately 700 USD per month for housing, transportation, food, and other daily necessities.
- c. Airfare and Travel:

Students will be responsible for arrangements and costs related to flights to and from the partner university.

d. Student Visa:

Students will be responsible for arrangements and costs related to obtaining a valid visa when a visa is required. Note that the visa application process and requirements may be costly and require considerable time, please verify the visa requirements for your nationality before applying for the exchange program. Most students studying abroad to China for semester exchange will need to acquire an X2 visa.

Please see the Renmin University of China "Renmin Business School Exchange Program Fact Sheet" available on the Forms, Guides, and Reference Materials page in the Current Students section of the Global MBA website.

11. Withdrawal Policy

Students should understand that they should not withdraw from the student exchange program after submitting the application form. Students should secure permission and agreement from their financial supporter to prepare sufficient financial resources for all the estimated expenses before submitting the application form.