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Global Business and
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Why DBS? Three Defining Strengths

Completely English-based Program

Doshisha University, originally founded in Kyoto in 1875, is widely recognized as one of Japan's leading universities, with international education as one of its education principles. A defining feature of the Global Business and Management Studies at Doshisha Business School (DBS) is that it is offered entirely in English. Foreign students with no knowledge of Japanese can fully engage in business studies while experiencing life at this historic place.

Global Diversity

Since its inception, a defining feature of the Global Business and Management Studies Program has been the diversity of its students, whose varied backgrounds make each MBA experience distinctive and enriching. Since 2009, we have welcomed students from 99 countries. Their academic and professional backgrounds are equally diverse, ranging from artists to computer science graduates. Of course, we welcome applicants regardless of gender, ethnicity, nationality, or religion.

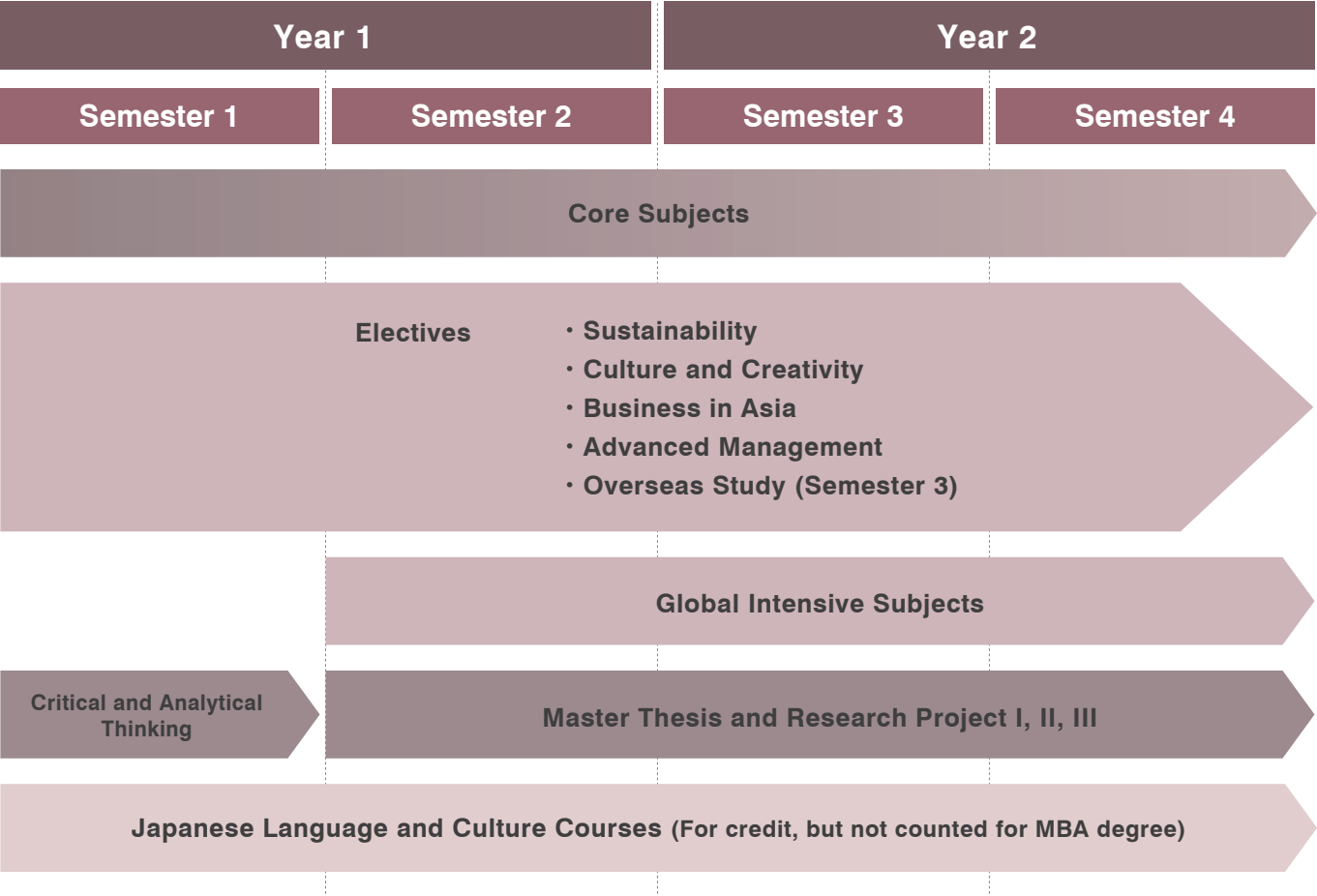
Conscience-based Business Education

Doshisha University's founding spirit is "conscience education," which DBS interprets in the context of business. In many respects, this philosophy embodies the essence of ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) long before the term gained global prominence. It has guided our commitment to diverse business stakeholders, including the environment, local communities, and human dignity in business and society.



DBS received accreditation from the Association of MBAs (AMBA) in the UK in 2023. Alongside AACSB and EFMD, AMBA is one of the world's three leading international accreditation bodies for business schools. DBS became the fourth business school in Japan and the first in Western Japan to be awarded AMBA accreditation. This achievement reflects the quality of DBS's conscience-based business education, which combines Kyoto's rich tradition with innovation to cultivate leaders who contribute to the sustainable development of business and society. Through its MBA program offered in both English and Japanese, DBS will continue to enhance the quality of its education by leveraging AMBA's global network.

Curriculum



Overview of the Curriculum

Students are required to complete courses totaling 46 credits as well as successfully complete a master’s thesis or research project report to earn an MBA degree.
Most courses are worth 2 credits.

- The curriculum is made up of four parts:
- Core Subjects (16 credits)
 - Electives (16 credits or more)
 - Global Intensive (2 credits or more)
 - CAT & MTRP (8 credits)

Core16 credits

The core subjects are made up of 8 courses (2 credits each) that build a foundation of knowledge in the key areas of business and management. Students are required to take these 8 courses that are shown below.

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| • Accounting | • People and Organizations* | • Operations Management |
| • Marketing | • Business Economics | • Business and Society in the Global Context |
| • Finance | • Strategic Management | |

*To be offered as "Leadership" to students enrolled in or after AY2027.

Global Intensive2 credits or more

This category consists of 3 Global Intensive Subjects (I, 2, 3) and Kyoto/Japan Intensive Subject. Global Intensive Subjects are offered in a compressed format (typically one week). Kyoto/Japan Intensive Subject is a semester-based course. Students are required to obtain at least 2 credits in this category.

Electives16 credits or more

A) GBMS / Electives

These courses cover a broad range of business subjects, including those in our three focus areas of Sustainability, Culture and Creativity, and Business in Asia.

Sustainability Foundations for Sustainable Management Green Management in Action Environmental Accounting Sustainable and Responsible Marketing Sustainable Human Resource Management Political Economy of Sustainability	Culture and Creativity Cultural and Creative Industries The Business of Fashion Industry Cultural Tourism e-Marketing Creativity in Organizations
Business in Asia Understanding Japanese Corporations Japanese Business Practices Marketing in Asia Human Resource Management in Asia Investment in Asia Operations Management in Asia	Advanced Management Business Analysis and Valuation Business Law Business Research Method Knowledge and Innovation Management Marketing Research Making Sense of the Global Economy Statistics Strategic Cost Management Strategic Management for Innovation and Change Professional Development Writing Skills for Effective Communication Information Technology / Management Data Science in Business Entrepreneurship Project-based Internship

B) Courses Taken at Overseas Partner Universities and Japanese MBA Courses

If a student spends a term or semester studying at one of our overseas partner universities and/or takes courses offered by our sister Japanese MBA program (Japanese Language Proficiency Test N1 required), up to 10 credits can be counted toward GBMS degree. (Approval by the supervising professor required.)

Required Courses8 credits

These courses help students to develop conceptual understanding and critical thinking and analytical skills as a foundation for their major research project.

- Critical and Analytical Thinking
- Master Thesis and Research Project I
- Master Thesis and Research Project II
- Master Thesis and Research Project III

Japanese Language and Culture Courses

Doshisha’s Center for Global Education and Japanese Studies (CGJ) offers a wide range of courses, including Japanese language, for international students studying in undergraduate and graduate programs at Doshisha. A certain number of these courses are open to DBS students, free of charge. Please note, however, that these courses cannot be included in the 46 credits required for the MBA degree.

Our Learning Facilities



Classrooms intended for face-to-face discussions.



Excellent 24/7 facilities dedicated for Business School students.



Faculty

GBMS Faculty Members



1 Mari Iizuka

- A** Global Business Strategy and Organization
Sustainability and Business Ethics
Mindfulness and Leadership
Japanese and Asian Business Management
 - B** Responsible Leadership in the Global Context
People and Organizations
Critical and Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
 - I** Global Management and Global Human Resource Development
- ※ *PhD Kyoto University*



2 Yoko Ogushi

- A** Business and Performance Evaluation
Consensus-Building and Commitment
IT and Robotics Management
Management Accounting
 - B** Business Analysis and Valuation
Strategic Cost Management
Entrepreneurship
Accounting
Critical and Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
- ※ *PhD Kyushu University*



3 Philip Sugai

- A** Marketing Innovation
Responsible Marketing
 - B** Marketing Sustainable and Responsible
Marketing e-Marketing
Marketing Research
Critical and Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
- ※ *D. Sc Waseda University*



4 Yong Yin

- A** Operations Management
Sustainable Operations
Flexible and Agile Organization
Manufacturing Strategy
 - B** Operations Management
Foundations for Sustainable Management
Operations Management in Asia
Critical and Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
 - I** Supply Chain Management
- ※ *PhD Tohoku University*



5 Etsuaki Yoshida

- A** International Finance
Business in Emerging Economies
 - B** Finance
Japanese Business Practices
Investment in Asia
Making Sense of the Global Economy
Critical and Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
- ※ *PhD Kyoto University / Bank of Japan*



6 Hiroko Okudaira

- A** Labor Economics, Human Resource Management, Data Analyses on Economic Issues
 - B** Business Economics
Sustainable Human Resource Management
Creativity in Organizations
Human Resource Management in Asia
Critical and Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
- ※ *PhD Osaka University*



7 Arif Iqbal

- A** Executive Leadership Effectiveness
High Performance Leadership Teams
Japanese and Asian Leadership
Global Business Strategy & Organization
 - B** Strategic Management
Professional Development
Understanding Japanese Corporations
Project-based Internship
Critical & Analytical Thinking
Master's Thesis and Research Project I, II, III
- ※ *Former Global CFO Benesse Holdings, Inc.*



8 Vera Paola Shoda

- A** Affective Engineering
Data Science
Computational Social Science
 - B** Information Technology/Management
Business Research Methods
- ※ *PhD University of Tsukuba*



1 Eugene Choi

- A** Research Interest
Strategy & International Business
Knowledge Creation
Kyoto Enterprises & Culture
Qualitative Research
 - B** Strategic Management
 - I** Japanese MBA
Strategic Management
Knowledge Management
Kyoto Heritage Industry & Cultural Business
Luxury Management
- ※ *Academic Degree/Practical Experience
PhD, University of Cambridge*



2 Koichi Fujiwara

- A** Financial Engineering
Statistics
Economics
 - I** Business Statistics
Corporate Finance
Financial Engineering
- ※ *MA Waseda University*



3 Fukuko Inoue

- A** Organizational Behavior
Human Resource Management
Organization Change
 - I** Human Resource Management
Organization Management
Specialized Research in General Management:
Organizational Innovation
Specialized Research in General Management:
Leadership
- ※ *PhD Kobe University*



4 Toshihiro Kodama

- A** Small Business Management
 - I** Business Creation Management
Venture Business Management
Industrial Clusters and Business Location Strategy
Small Business Management
- ※ *Former Special Advisor, Japan Finance Corporation*



5 Yoshihiro Mori

- A** Innovation Management
 - B** Strategic Management for Innovation and Change
 - I** Innovation Management
Business Model Innovation
Open Innovation
- ※ *PhD Kyushu University*



6 Yoshiaki Nose

- A** Corporate Finance
 - I** Business Finance
Small Business Finance
Investment
Personal Finance
- ※ *PhD University of Tsukuba*



7 Takako Yamashita

- A** Marketing
Consumer Behavior
 - I** Marketing
Consumer Behavior
Product and Brand Development
- ※ *PhD Kobe University*



8 Se-il Mun

- A** Urban Economics
Transportation Economics
 - I** Business Economics Microeconomic Analysis
- ※ *PhD Kyoto University*



9 Kentaro Nobeoka

- A** Innovation Management
Art Thinking
New Product Development
 - I** Specialized Research in Innovation
- ※ *Ph.D Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) / Mazda*



10 Norihiko Takahiro

- A** Thinking Frameworks
(Art/Design/Craft)
 - I** B2B Marketing/Marketing for Technology/Digital Marketing/Marketing Communication
- ※ *PhD Kyoto Univ./MA Doshisha Univ.
ex-Hakuhodo, ex-Dentsu, ex-Google*



11 Akio Umeda

- A** Corporate Governance
Corporate Finance
 - I** Corporate Governance
Accounting and Auditing
- ※ *MSc, University of London (Imperial College)
MEcon, Kobe University*

- A** Research Interest
- B** Subject
- I** Japanese MBA
- ※ Academic Degree / Practical Experience

Information accurate as of October 1, 2026

Program Highlights

Focus Areas of GBMS Program

Sustainability

Drawing on Kyoto’s legacy as birthplace of the Kyoto Protocol, and on the advances of Japanese companies in developing green technologies and adopting sustainable business practices, our Sustainability courses provide students with a solid foundation in the theory and practice of managing firms in a sustainable way, including increasing energy efficiency, reducing waste, managing the environmental impact of business, and finding ways to promote sustainability in all aspects of a company’s operations.

Culture and Creativity

Cultural and creative industries — ranging from anime, music, video games, and film to fashion, design, traditional crafts, and cultural tourism — are dynamic sectors in today’s knowledge economy with far reaching economic, social, and political implications. Japanese pop culture, for example, is not just big business; it is considered a form of “soft power” that brings the world closer together. More broadly, creativity and innovation are increasingly demanded of individuals, companies, and societies in today’s competitive business environment. Global MBA Culture and Creativity courses prepare students to manage successfully in the cultural sector and give them a creative edge that can be applied in any company or industry.

Business in Asia

Accounting for one third of world GDP — greater than that of the United States or the EU — Asia is the most dynamic region of the world economy. And not just as a cheap-labor based producer of manufactured goods; Asian companies are leading innovators and Asian markets for other countries’ products and services are the fastest growing in the world. Asia is a mosaic — of traditional and modern, of diverse histories, geography, cultures, political systems, and business practices. Our Business in Asia courses give students the tools to understand and navigate these various differences and dynamics.

Overseas Partner Universities

Adding another dimension to their experience, students have the opportunity to apply to study at one of our overseas partner universities. We also welcome exchange students from these institutions, adding to the cosmopolitan nature of the Doshisha Global MBA.



Norway:
University of Stavanger,
Uis Business School



Sweden:
University of Gothenburg,
School of Business,
Economics and Law



Germany:
University of Tübingen,
Faculty of Economics and
Social Sciences



China:
Renmin University of China,
School of Business



Taiwan:
National Taiwan Normal University,
College of Management



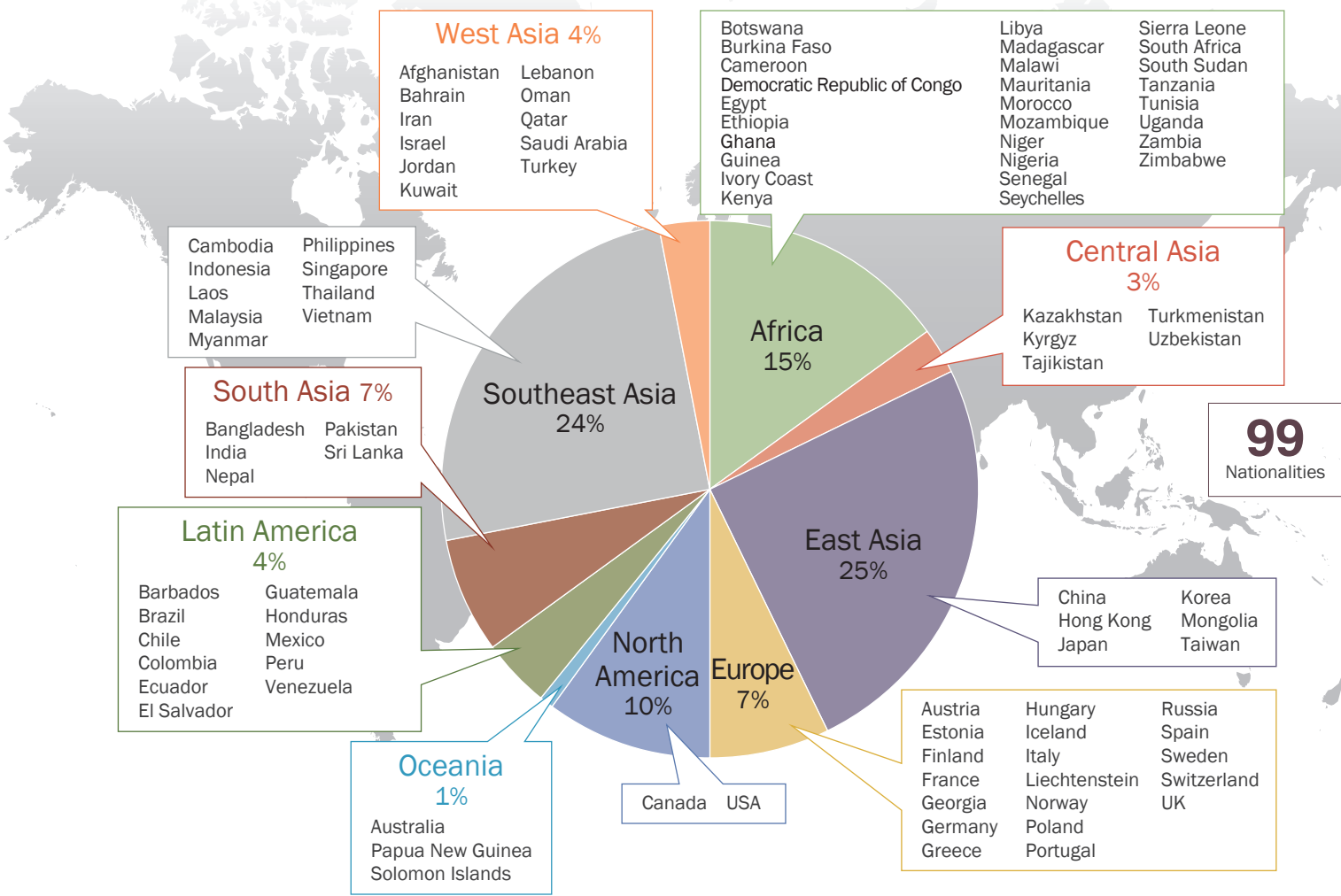
Indonesia:
Universitas Gadjah Mada,
Faculty of Economics and Business



Germany:
Free University of Berlin,
School of Business and Economics

International Atmosphere

Student Enrollment by Geographical Region (2009-2026)



Career and Alumni Network

Career Advancement

An MBA is an investment in your future, whether you are looking to change careers or to move into a managerial position in your present field. Today's job market for MBAs is strong. According to a corporate recruiter's survey conducted by the Graduate Management Admissions Council (GMAC), demand for business school graduates is particularly high in Asia Pacific with 83% of companies surveyed planning to hire MBA holders in 2022.



Japanese Firms Recruiting International Students

With a shrinking domestic market and a generation of young Japanese that tends to look more inward than abroad, Japanese companies are sharply increasing their recruitment of non-Japanese as they expand their global operations. What these companies seek in their non-Japanese recruits are language ability, an understanding of Japanese business practices, strong drive, and the communication skills and perspective that come from experience in a multicultural environment.

Corporate Internships

Corporate internships offer students a chance to apply what they've learned in the classroom to the real world, to experience business practices first-hand, and to expand their network of business connections. They also give students and companies a chance to get to know each other, and can lead to employment opportunities after graduation.

Many Global MBA students do internships, either in Japan or overseas. Among the business areas they have worked in are market entry research, business development, data analysis, diversity management, and corporate communications. Students may also use an internship as part of the research for their Master's Thesis or Research Project Report.

Career Resources

Our career center provides resources, information, and advice on employment opportunities, job fairs, and the job-hunting process to help you explore and realize your career goals. We regularly invite external speakers to provide seminars for MBA students and coordinate with the university for on-site recruitment events.

Our career services include:

- Career assessment and planning
- Resume and cover letter writing assistance
- Job interview coaching
- One-on-one career consultation
- Up-to-date job listings
- E-Career web portal
- Career fairs, recruiting events, and workshops
- Contact list of recent graduates



Where Do Our Graduates Work?

While many of our students seek positions with established companies in Japan and abroad, a growing number look to develop their own businesses or join up-and-coming small and medium enterprises. With the skills and international experience gained during their MBA studies, our graduates are prepared to work in a range of companies and environments.

- ABLE, Inc.
- ADVANTEC CO.,LTD.
- Augusta Aiken & Associates Limited.
- Berlitz Japan, Inc.
- BERTRAND Co.
- China Eastern Airlines Co., Ltd.
- Coca-Cola Bottlers Japan Inc.
- DAIKIN INDUSTRIES, LTD.
- DAIMON BREWERY CO., LTD.
- Enviro Tech International Inc.
- Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd
- Evergreen Marine (Taiwan) Ltd.
- Fujimoto Bossard Co., Ltd.
- Gekkeikan Sake Company, Limited
- Genky DrugStores Co., Ltd.
- GINNOSUZU NURSERY SCHOOL
- Hays Specialist Recruitment Japan K.K.
- Hilton NAGOYA (Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc.)
- Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.
- Hitachi Construction Machinery Southern Africa Co., Ltd.
- HOTEL THE MITSUI KYOTO (Mitsui Fudosan Resort Management Co., Ltd.)
- iKala Interactive Media Inc.
- Info Cubic Japan Co., Ltd.
- JINZAI BASE Inc.
- Kuehne + Nagel International AG
- KYOSHIN CO.,LTD.
- Leonis Co, Ltd.
- LYIM HOMES
- Marelli Corporation

- Marriott International (Japan Starwood Hotel Co., Ltd.)
- Microsoft China Co., Ltd.
- Mitsubishi Fuso Truck and Bus Corporation
- Monster Energy Japan G.K.
- Nabtesco Corporation
- NTT Urban Development Hotel Management Corporation
- OTA TSUSYOU,inc
- Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Ltd
- PABCO Co., Ltd.
- Pasona Inc.
- Rakuten Group, Inc.
- ROHTO Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
- SAKAE LACE Co.,Ltd.
- Skylight Consulting Inc.
- Sun Bright Trading corp.
- SYSTEM SQUARE INC.
- Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited
- TAKEYA CHEMICAL INDUSTRY CO., LTD
- Tex Technology Inc.
- The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company, L.L.C.
- Togami Electric Mfg. Co., Ltd.
- Toyo Tanso Co.,Ltd.
- TOYOTA BOSHOKU CORPORATION
- UCC Holdings Pte.Ltd.
- UD Trucks Corporation
- United Semiconductor Japan Co., Ltd.
- Wataki Automobile Co.,Inc.
- YAMATO TRANSPORT CO., LTD.
- Zurich Insurance Company Ltd

(Employed in Japan when not otherwise indicated. Data reflects employer information at the point of graduation from 2016-2025 graduates)



Doshisha Business School Network

The Doshisha Business School Network was organized in 2006, connecting students, professors, alumni, and members of the Kansai business community. Current students and recent alumni from both the Global MBA and the Japanese MBA programs regularly collaborate to produce the DBSN student newsletter as well as organize seminars and networking events, providing opportunities to build relationships outside of the classroom. Access to the DBS Network is an important benefit of studying in our Global MBA and can open doors to support you in your business career.

Doshisha Alumni Association (Doshisha Kōyū-kai)

Doshisha Kōyū-kai originated from the "Alumni-kai" that was organized in 1885, ten years after Doshisha was founded. This association includes graduates from all Doshisha institutions, from elementary schools to the university level. Doshisha graduates actively working around the world now total to more than 380,000 people. In addition to the 48 branches throughout Japan, there are overseas chapters and clubs located in 36 cities of 24 countries around the world. With an increasingly international student body at the university, the DAA network is sure to spread far and wide as branches of the vine in the spirit of Doshisha.

<https://doshisha-alumni.org/>



Learning Environment and Kyoto

University Facilities and Support

Doshisha University's Imadegawa Campus is located in the center of Kyoto City near the spacious, park-like Kyoto Imperial Palace and is easily accessible by subway or bus. Imadegawa Campus is home to a range of academic facilities including libraries, media centers, and the Learning Commons, a 2,550m² study space equipped with a wide variety of the latest information technology and specialized spaces where students can bring their ideas to life. Low-cost cafeterias, a student health center, and counseling center are also conveniently located on campus creating a robust support system for students.

The university encourages exchange between local and international students through efforts such as establishing international lounges, maintaining a student organization under the Office of International Students to plan and hold intercultural events, and offering the International Peer Support Program to help international students adjust to life in Japan and at Doshisha.



Kyoto – Ancient Capital and Modern City

Home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage sites, Kyoto is the location of choice for innovators, academics, and all those wishing to surround themselves with a fascinating balance of the past, present, and future. While traditional Kyoto draws tourists from all over the globe to its temples and gardens, modern Kyoto offers everything that the resident or visitor could desire: exciting shopping districts, a safe and fun night life, a variety of natural and spiritual pursuits and institutions, and access to Japan's international hub cities of Osaka and Kobe. The Kansai region of Japan (centered around Kyoto-Osaka-Kobe) offers a multicultural environment with China-towns, Korea-towns, and a huge range of cultural and entertainment events.



A safe, exciting, and fascinating country — and one fully integrated into the dynamic Asian economy — Japan is an excellent place to study for your MBA. Doshisha Business School is located in the ancient capital of Kyoto, which lies at the heart of the broader Kansai economy.



Messages From Our Students and Alumni

CURRENT STUDENTS



NGUYEN QUYNH ANH
Vietnam

DBS has given me the environment to step out of my comfort zone and grow into the leader I want to become. My career was on a steady path, but inside I wanted a bigger challenge and a wider horizon, so I chose advanced education as my next step. What convinced me to choose DBS was a video of Professor Sugai saying that if you start one thing and three years later, choose a different direction toward what you truly love, that is the key to success. His words affirmed my decision. At DBS, class discussions and group work became a small version of real life, where I learned to listen before I speak, take responsibility when things go wrong and lead a team even when I am not the loudest voice in the room. Supported by professors and TAs, I tried, failed, learned and tried again. My biggest lesson:

progress belongs to those who take action.

My research now focuses on leadership in Asia, especially Vietnam, my home country. I want to be proactive and bring what I have built at DBS back home and contribute meaningfully.



YAMAGUTI AUGUSTO HENRIQUE
Brazil

I first heard about Doshisha University back in Brazil at a Japanese cultural festival. At the time, I had never seriously considered studying in Japan, but Doshisha immediately caught my attention. As I learned more about the program, the idea of continuing my education in Japan began to feel possible. Since my Japanese was not advanced enough for a Japanese-taught degree, I needed to find an international MBA offered entirely in English, so discovering Doshisha Business School's Global MBA felt like a blessing, as it offered exactly what I had been searching for.

With a background in finance and experience working in an international banking environment, I wanted to strengthen my business knowledge and prepare myself for new global career

opportunities. I was also attracted by the international environment, the focus on responsible leadership, and the chance to learn more about business in Asia. For me, Doshisha represents an opportunity to grow professionally and personally while studying alongside classmates from all around the world.



KYANDA FARDHAN SAMOEDRA
Indonesia

Before joining Doshisha Business School, I worked as an engineer. Although my background was in engineering, I had always been interested in business and wanted to understand how great companies are built. Many people asked me, "Why Japan?" After studying at Doshisha, I found the answer. I gained a much deeper understanding of how Japanese businesses operate and why so many of them have remained successful for generations. Their strong values, long-term vision, and solid foundations have completely changed my perspective on business. Starting with little business knowledge, I learned how to analyze opportunities, develop ideas, and transform them into practical strategies. I also improved my presentation and

communication skills while building meaningful relationships with professors, classmates, and alumni from Japan and around the world. My goal is to create a sustainable business that contributes to society, because I believe business and society are inseparable. My journey at Doshisha has been truly meaningful, and I am confident the experiences and connections I have gained here will positively shape my future career and allow me to make a lasting impact on others.



SONIA TUMUSIIME
Uganda

While working with SMEs in Uganda, I kept noticing the same thing, businesses were doing well today but few were built to last. I found myself wondering, "Who has figured this out?" One evening I searched for the oldest business in the world, and somehow that turned into hours of reading about Kyoto's "shinise" companies. I was amazed that some businesses had been around for hundreds of years. I remember thinking, I need to see this for myself, that's really what brought me to Doshisha Business School.

Since coming here through different classes I've visited many "shinise" businesses, spoken with new generation owners, and seen firsthand how they think about succession, craftsmanship, and long-term relationships, these experiences have taught me far more than I could have

learned from a case study. Outside the classroom, I've also fallen in love with Kyoto itself, visiting galleries, temples, and workshops has made me appreciate that business here is deeply connected to culture and community. When I return to Uganda, I don't just want to help businesses grow. I want to help build businesses that people can proudly hand over to the next generation. That's the biggest lesson Kyoto has given me, and it's one I'll carry with me long after I leave DBS.



THI HAN TUN
Myanmar

Since joining Doshisha Business School, I have had many valuable opportunities to learn and grow. One of the aspects I value most is its diverse learning environment. Learning alongside classmates from different countries has broadened my perspective and deepened my understanding of different cultures and approaches to business. I also appreciate the variety of courses offered, which have allowed me to explore topics from global business communication to Japanese management, enriching my learning from multiple perspectives. In addition, I am sincerely grateful for the support provided by both the professors and administrative staff. Their guidance, together with the excellent learning facilities, has created an environment where I can fully

focus on my studies and continue growing academically and personally. Living and studying in Kyoto has further complemented this experience, as the city's rich history, culture, and traditions have given me valuable insights that extend beyond the classroom. I am truly grateful to be part of the DBS community.



NAULLAGE DILUSHA DIHAN PRADEEPA
Sri Lanka

Choosing the Global MBA at Doshisha Business School was the major turning point of my academic life. DBS offers me far more than just standard classroom learning. The program stands out for its modern facilities, highly experienced professors, and strong global alumni network. Also, studying in Kyoto, where deep cultural traditions meet modern innovation, gives you a great environment to grow both personally and academically. For me, the best part of this experience is the incredible diversity. Working every day with smart classmates and dedicated teachers from all over the world has opened my eyes and improved my leadership skills. DBS also focuses heavily on 'conscience education,' teaching us how to

balance business profits with social responsibility. If you want to become a responsible, forward-thinking leader, DBS is the perfect place to challenge yourself. I am proud to be part of this community and highly recommend it to future students.

ALUMNI



LI SHUAI
Canada

Before joining this program, I received two offers. One was from DBS to become a full-time MBA student, and the other was from Air Canada as a cabin crew to travel the world. I chose to become a student again. Two years later, I didn't regret coming to Kyoto. Not just for the degree, but for the experience and the lessons I learned, which will stay with me for a lifetime. That is something nobody can take away. I also took part in the Harvard Summer School in Kyoto 2023, which was a standout experience during my time at Doshisha. The knowledge I gained from interacting with Harvard students was invaluable. I highly recommend it!



PEREZ CORTES Jatsiri
Mexico

Studying at DBS has been a milestone in my life. The magic of this experience extends beyond the classrooms and assignments; it is a day-to-day journey enriched by interactions with classmates and professors from diverse cultures, perspectives, and interesting professional backgrounds, all of which have inspired and encouraged my personal and professional goals. My internship at SCREEN Holdings provided me with the opportunity to refine my thesis topic, motivating me to develop research that addressed real-world business challenges and reinforced my passion for multicultural enterprises. The support from professors and administrative staff, combined

with strong student integrity, fostered invaluable learning synergy and the creation of powerful professional networks.



POLTON CHERISKA
South Africa

My journey at Doshisha Business School has profoundly shaped my professional aspirations. Transitioning from an engineering background, I chose DBS for its esteemed global perspective and commitment to sustainability and innovation. The diverse backgrounds of my classmates and the inspiring setting of Kyoto have enriched my understanding of cross-cultural collaboration. The curriculum's emphasis on sustainability resonates deeply with my ambition to drive positive change in technology and engineering sectors. As I look ahead, I am confident that the skills and insights I have gained at DBS will empower me to pursue impactful leadership roles,

fostering growth and innovation in my career.



TABÉ ABANDA EYONG
Cameroon

My two years in DBS was an unforgettable one filled with diverse academic and career experiences. Firstly, I had an opportunity to study with students from different countries, culture and behavior especially during our group work and assignments. I gained the skills to be able to harmonized the cultural differences and work with teams of great minds from different countries without great difficulties while increasing my professional network. The spirit of team work is one thing I gained that is helping me to ease integration ability.

Secondly, these two courses Operation Management and Business Analysis and Valuation contributed greatly to my career as

an agricultural engineer enhancing capacity building within small business promoters in Cameroon. The practical knowledge from these two courses increased my technical know-how on improving production operation and knowing the health of a business at a specific point in time. I am very grateful for my time, skills developments and global network at DBS.



NATHANIEL OLIVER
Liechtenstein

The 2-year Global MBA program at DBS incorporated valuable classes that perfectly added to my professional career development. The selection of courses in sustainability from green management practices to an internship opportunity with a leading semiconductor company in particular where I could directly apply my experience and the tools learned into the real world. In addition, the diversity and vast expertise of fellow students from different backgrounds truly enhanced my time at DBS and making friendships that offer me a global platform for career networking.



ADRIANI AMANDA
Indonesia

Reflecting on my journey at Doshisha Business School (DBS), it filled with gratitude for the transformative experience. Choosing DBS was a step toward excellence, global perspectives, and sustainable business practices. My personal interest was in Japanese business, investment, and human resources and I am glad that I got to learn them. Furthermore, the smaller class sizes helped me build strong connections with a diverse group of classmates, improving my skills to collaborate in teams with people from many different backgrounds and cultures. Moreover, the calm and beautiful atmosphere of Kyoto has provided me with a unique and inspiring environment for my

studies. As I embark on the next chapter of my career, I carry the invaluable lessons, enduring friendships, and global perspective instilled by DBS.

Admission and Scholarships

Admissions Process

Doshisha Business School welcomes applications from motivated and ambitious persons – regardless of age, gender, or nationality – seeking to explore the frontiers of business management and improve the well-being of our society. Our admissions process is designed to evaluate the whole person and to establish a positive ‘fit’ between applicants and our MBA program.

As part of the application process each applicant can attend an Information Session, where general and specific requirements for acceptance to Global Business and Management Studies can be discussed and in more detail with a Global Business and Management Studies professor. Applicants who go on to submit a formal application must pass a Formal Interview, which can be completed via Zoom. Eligibility requirements and the application process are explained in detail in our admissions guide.

* Below is a list of our previous application rounds. Please check the Doshisha Business School website for updated information related to 2027 admissions.



Admissions Schedule

Round	Application Deadline	Formal Interview Schedule	Admission Decisions
1	November 18, 2025 17:00(JST)	December 2, 3, or 4	Mid- January
2	January 7, 2026 17:00(JST)	January 20, 21, or 22	Mid- to late February
3	February 3, 2026 17:00(JST)	February 17, 18, or 19	Mid- March
4	March 3, 2026 17:00(JST)	March 17, 18, or 19	Early-to Mid April
5 *1	March 31, 2026 17:00(JST)	April 14, 15, or 16	Mid- to late May
6	April 27, 2026 17:00(JST)	May 19, 20, or 21	Mid- June
7 *2	June 9, 2026 17:00(JST)	June 16, 17, or 18	Mid- July

*1 Round 1~5: Applicants for University Recommendation for Doshisha Undergraduate Students should submit the formal application before Round 5 deadline. Any application received after this deadline will not be considered for this recommendation scheme.

*2 Round 7: This round is only available for applicants who have Japanese nationality or who currently reside in Japan with valid visa for the entire period between your application and enrollment. Please refer to the 2026 Admissions Guide for further details.

Tuition and Fees

The course fees for Global Business and Management Studies at Doshisha Business School for 2026 entry students are as follows.

*Tuition and Fees may be revised from 2027 onwards.

Tuition and Fees for 2026 Enrollment

(Fees in Japanese Yen)

Fees/Semester	YEAR 1		YEAR 2	
	FALL Semester	SPRING Semester	FALL Semester	SPRING Semester
Admission Fee	200,000 (*1)	-	-	-
Tuition	293,000 (*2)	293,000	393,000	393,000
Facilities Fee	66,000 (*3)	66,000	66,000	66,000
Total	1,836,000			

Initial Registration fees: 200,000 (*1) + 293,000 (*2) +66,000 (*3) = 559,000 yen

Notes:

- i. Students who obtained their undergraduate or graduate degrees at Doshisha University will be charged half of the admission fee, i.e. 100,000 yen.
- ii. In the case a student is enrolled for more than 2 years, tuition will be 786,000 yen per year and the facilities fee will be 132,000 yen per year.

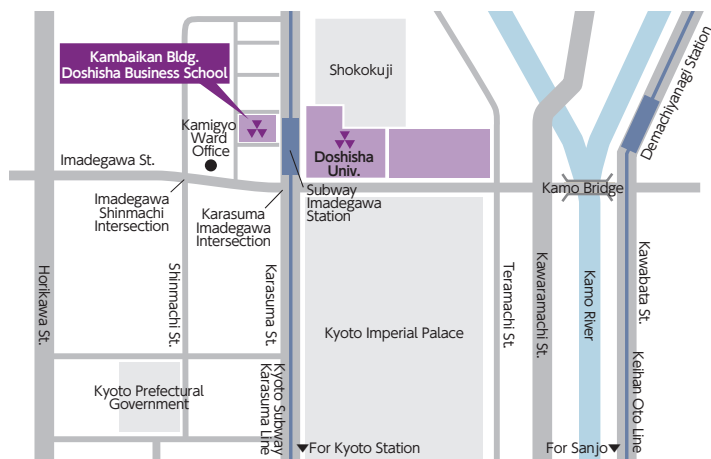
Scholarship Opportunities

In addition to other scholarship opportunities, we are pleased to offer Doshisha University Merit Scholarships for Self-Funded International Students to all international students. Please refer to our scholarship webpage for the latest information.



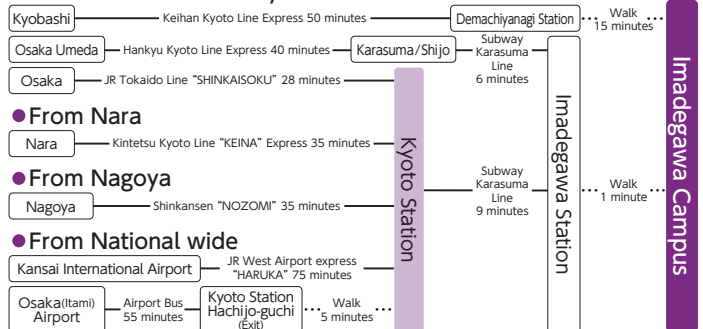
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