

Information Sheet Dual Degree Programme UM/UDD



Partner schools: *Maastricht University School of Business and Economics (UM) and Universidad del Desarrollo (UDD) in Chile*

Applicable UM study programme: *BSc International Business*

Programme duration: *1 year – two semesters*

Programme structure: *semester 1 (fall) and semester 2 (spring) of third bachelor year at UDD*

Application deadline: *please refer to the timeline of the Study Abroad 2026-2027 selection procedure for the fall semester on the UM SBE intranet [here](#)*

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Dual Degree Programme UM / UDD			
<i>BSc International Business Business Undergraduate degree</i>			
School	Month(s)	Course(s)	ECTS
<u>Year 1-2 at SBE Maastricht</u>			
UM	Sep – Aug	BSc International Business year 1+2	120
<u>Year 3 at Universidad del Desarrollo</u>			
UDD	Aug – Jul	Study Abroad (ESA9000) Students choose courses corresponding to a total of 30 ECTS from a list of pre-approved courses (included below).	30

		<p>Major in Entrepreneurship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS225G Innovation Changemaker (6 ECTS, fall course) • ETR20231 Personal and Professional Development for Entrepreneurs (5 ECTS, fall course) • Internship II Programme (12 ECTS, spring course) (in Spanish) • Elective course (6 ECTS) (to be selected from a list of pre-approved courses) 	29
UM (online)	Feb – Jul	EBS2080 Writing a Bachelor's Thesis	2.5
		EBT0016 Bachelor's Thesis	8
Total ECTS credits			189,5

List of pre-approved electives:

- Fall courses:
 - EELE745M Customer Experience and Technologies (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [EEL473](#) Digital Marketing (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [EME122G](#) Macroeconomics (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - EELE755M Marketing B2B (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [ECM417-2](#) Marketing III (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [ECI327](#) Tech and Innovation (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [RIC155](#) Social Entrepreneurship (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [DRI356](#) Change Management Skills to Successfully Lead Organisations (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [DRI357](#) Future Scenarios and Social Change in the Emerging Economies (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [DRI359](#) Business Negotiations (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [RIC152](#) Creativity and Innovation Management (6 ECTS, fall course)
 - [RIC166](#) Recycling and Upcycling (6 ECTS, fall course)
- Spring courses:
 - [ECA312G](#) Agile Organisations (6 ECTS, spring course)
 - ECT316G Business Innovation Technologies (6 ECTS, spring course)
 - [ECA311G](#) Competitive Strategy and Industrial Organisation (6 ECTS, spring course)
 - [EEI343](#) International Business (6 ECTS, spring course)



Please be aware that the current course offer is subject to change without prior notice.

Participants in the Dual Degree Programme are responsible for getting acquainted with, and for abiding by, the rules and regulations of their host university in a timely manner, especially with regard to examination types, schedules and forms of resits, if any.

The Education and Examination Regulations (SBE BSc-EER) for the Bachelor's study programmes at the School of Business and Economics of Maastricht University (UM) apply to all Dual Degree programmes. You can find the SBE BSc-EER on the Student Portal (My SBE Intranet), under "Regulations, rights and duties". For courses taken at UDD the EER from UDD will apply.

Fixed curriculum

Please note that all SBE Network Programmes (including the Dual Degree Programmes) have a fixed curriculum. It is not possible to switch/waive/cancel any of the courses offered in these fixed programmes.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Eligibility and admission requirements

- Who can apply: second-year students in the BSc International Business who intend to do their bachelor's exchange during the fall semester
- Selection requirements:
 - obtained all 60 ECTS from the first year of the study programme
 - [Study Abroad Average](#) (SAB) of minimum 7.0
- Departure requirements:
 - obtained all 120 ECTS from the first and second year of the study programme
 - have a Spanish language proficiency level of minimum B2

Selection procedure

Eligible students participate in the regular BSc Study Abroad selection procedure during the first semester of the second year of the study programme, organised by the International Relations Office (IRO) of SBE Maastricht. The procedure starts in November of each year and the allocations are published in December (first round) or January (second round).

For detailed information about the selection procedure (timeline, registration, ranking, allocation and confirmation) for the Bachelor Exchange, please check on intranet under Study Abroad > Bachelor's Exchange > Before your Exchange. If you wish to apply for this Dual Degree Programme, you should select the Dual Degree option at UDD in your list of 6 preferences.

→ When applying for UDD there are two options: a regular exchange or a Dual Degree.
Make sure to pick the right one!

After having confirmed your allocation to the Dual Degree Programme with UDD, the Bachelor Exchange Team of the IRO will assist with the administrative follow-up of the students' Study Abroad (i.e. nomination, application, processing of transcripts and credits) and the Dual Degree Team of the IRO will support the specific administration of the Dual Degree Programme in order to enable a smooth study and graduation process.

Students will have to pay a required administrative fee (see *Practical Information* below) within a set time window that will be communicated to them via e-mail shortly after the selection procedure.

Cancellation: If accepted students do not meet the departure requirements, the Dual Degree participation will be cancelled and the administration fee will not be refunded.

Available places

A maximum of **5 slots** are being offered for the academic year 2026-2027.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Contact

Questions or remarks regarding the Dual Degree Programme with UDD, can be directed to the Dual Degree Team of SBE Maastricht via e-mail to dualdegree-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl.

Tuition fee and additional costs

Students have to be registered at UM for the entire duration of the study programme, so even while abroad at the host university. This implies that students selected in the Dual Degree Programme pay tuition fee at UM for the entire duration of the programme. Selected students are exempted of tuition fee payment at the partner school.

Besides the tuition fees at SBE Maastricht, students selected for the Dual Degree Programme with UDD will be charged an **administrative fee of € 1.000,00**. The Dual Degree Team will provide students with an invoice including detailed payment information and a due date for the receipt of the administrative fee.

The administration fee of € 1.000,00 will not be refunded if a student cancels their allocation after confirmation. Only in case of severe personal circumstances, confirmed by a study advisor of SBE Maastricht, the administration fee can be refunded.

All other costs that come with participation (such as health insurance and visa application, travel and accommodation, study materials and potential fees at the partner school) and other personal costs have to be covered by the students. Moreover, fees can be charged for special labs, materials, field trips and other fees to students enrolled in specific classes.

Please note that for the BSc Study Abroad part of the Dual Degree Programme, you are eligible to apply for the **NL Scholarship**. You can find more information on intranet under Study Abroad > Bachelor's Exchange > Before your Exchange > Finance.

It is your own responsibility to check with DUO whether you are entitled to retain your Dutch study grant, or "studiefinanciering", while abroad for the Dual Degree programme.

Grading and results

As students in the Dual Degree Programme are pursuing two separate degrees, the grades counting towards their GPA are varying from one degree to another. The GPA for the degree from SBE Maastricht will only be calculated based on the programme components completed at SBE. The GPA for the degree from UDD will include the results of the SBE Maastricht courses converted through UDD's grade conversion.

Students in the Dual Degree Programme should be aware that any resits at SBE Maastricht will automatically disable students from obtaining a cum laude distinction for their SBE Maastricht degree.

Important note: The resit period at UDD is scheduled immediately following the end of the semester, during the week after the final exam period.

Thesis

Students in the Dual Degree Programme with UDD take part remotely in the Bachelor's Thesis and the corresponding thesis skills training course at SBE Maastricht during the second semester of the programme.

Diploma and graduation

After successful completion of all the requirements of both the Dual Degree Programme, students will be awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in International Business from SBE Maastricht and the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Universidad del Desarrollo.

Students are eligible for graduation at both schools after completion of all the programme components at both schools. The schools will exchange the needed documents with regards to the graduation process.

In case of no study delay, the actual graduation ceremony at SBE Maastricht will be the Fall Graduation Ceremony in November 2027.

Disclaimer

Should Dutch government deem a country unsafe for travel (because of sanitary crises, riots or other reasons), UM students will not be allowed to physically go to their exchange destination in that country. This also applies to students in the Dual Degree Programmes of SBE Maastricht. If that would happen, SBE Maastricht reserves the right to cancel the Dual Degree programme for its students and will enable them to continue and graduate in the regular bachelor programme.