



SBE has a lot to offer:

Strong international orientation

SBE has a strong international dimension, attracting students and staff from all over the world:

- All programmes, except Fiscal Economics, are entirely taught in English;
- At the School of Business and Economics the world comes together: More than 2500 of the 4200 bachelor & master students have a foreign background (60% of all regular students is non-Dutch, 40% of all employees is non-Dutch);
- University-wide student population comprises about 60 different nationalities;
- SBE has exchange contracts with about 144 institutions in 38 countries;
- Annually about 700 foreign exchange students attend courses at the School;
- Annually about 750 SBE students study abroad;
- All programmes -except Fiscal Economics- include a compulsory study abroad period.

Unique educational method:

Problem Based Learning

- Practice-oriented and interactive
- Nurtures input of own ideas
- Facilitates social contacts within ever-changing tutorial groups
- Requires active approach towards subject
- Small-scale teaching in tutorial groups
- *(Prepares students optimally for the needs of their future career)*
- Coaching
(Teachers/tutors serve as learning coaches)
- Groups & Teaming
(Teamwork, project management, management game)
- Knowledge and Problem-Solving
(Problems, Cases, Presentations, "Real Stuff" ...)
- Emphasis on skills development
(Problem-solving, communication, Presentation, managing and self-directed learning skills)

As does the city of Maastricht:

- ✓ One of the oldest cities of the Netherlands, founded by the Romans
- ✓ Approx. 122,000 inhabitants
- ✓ 2nd Dutch city in number of monuments (Amsterdam 1st)
- ✓ Approx. 10% of the Maastricht population are Maastricht University (UM) students
- ✓ Centrally located in the heart of Europe, bordering Belgium and Germany
- ✓ Within max. 3 hours flying distance from all European capitals
- ✓ Urban Campus: Maastricht University is an elementary part of the city and is fully integrated into city life
- ✓ Sufficient student accommodation
- ✓ Safe city with a relatively low crime rate
- ✓ All facilities for studying, sports and good living at walking or biking distance
- ✓ Student-friendly city
- ✓ Small but vibrant city, buzzing with students day and night



Accreditations ...

In 2002 what was then called the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration was accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB); in 2012 SBE was re-accredited. In May 2005 the European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD) awarded the EQUIS accreditation to SBE, and this was re-awarded to the School in 2008, and again in 2011 for a period of five years. Finally, the International Accreditation Advisory Board of the Association of MBAs (AMBA) approved the MBA programmes of SBE's Postgraduate Education for AMBA accreditation in April 2007, and re-approved them in 2012. Together with the AACSB and the EQUIS, this resulted in the so-called Triple Crown accreditation for the Maastricht University School of Business and Economics. In addition, in 2010 the Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands & Flanders (NVAO) awarded the 'Distinctive (Quality) Feature for Internationalisation' to the School of Business and Economics for its BSc and MSc in International Business.



& Rankings

SBE ranks consistently high in several renowned national and international overviews, such as Elsevier BSc ranking; Keuzegids BSc Ranking; Eduniversal Business School ranking; and of course Time Higher Education Worldwide under 50.

Why become an exchange student at the School of Business and Economics?

- You seek a high quality academic education (Triple Crown Accreditation)
- You are interested in economics and/or business administration
- You are enthusiastic & global minded
- You want to benefit from SBE's unique student-focused system, the Problem Based Learning (PBL) educational system
- You like the personal attention you get in small tutorial groups
- You are looking for education in English
- You seek excellent study facilities & strong support from academic and administrative staff
- You are looking for a university with strong ties with the corporate world
- You want to study in a vibrant place, with a considerable international student and staff body



Important dates for academic year 2016/2017:

Semester I

- Thursday, 01 and Friday, 02 September 2016 [Compulsory introduction days]
- **Fall semester period incl. exams:** 05.09.2016 – 31.01.2017

Semester II

- Thursday, 02 and Friday, 03 February 2017 [Compulsory introduction days]
- **Spring semester period incl. exams:** 05.02.2017 – 15.07.2017

For more dates (re-sit weeks, holidays, skill period) and deadlines please check

<https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/education/exchange/sbe> > Everything you need to know > Academic Calendar or Deadlines

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