



Lomonosov Moscow State University
BUSINESS SCHOOL

FACTSHEET

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Academic Year 2026/2027

WELCOME TO LOMONOSOV MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL!



Lomonosov MSU Business School is one of the pioneers of business education in Russia. Having started with experimental professional programs for Japanese high-school teachers on business education methodology back in 1989, eventually grown into a reputable internationally recognised business school with cutting-edge education, MSUBS preserves and nurtures what always has been in the cornerstone of its philosophy – commitment to academic quality, innovation, practice-oriented learning, and high ethical standards.

Today MSUBS is a vibrant, diverse, and inclusive community providing its students, professors and staff with a true sense of belonging. With its highly-selective degree programs in Management and Entrepreneurship, as well as a range of customized executive trainings, MSUBS addresses the challenges of constantly changing business landscape and proves the well-known wisdom – you don't have to be big to make a bigger impact.

KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

	Semester Dates	Nomination Deadline	Application Deadline	Orientation Day
Fall semester / Academic year	Bachelor's programme: September 1 - January 25 Master's programmes: September 1 - December 30	April 15	April 30	Two-three days prior to the semester start
Spring semester	Bachelor's programme: February 7- June 30 Master's programme: January 15 - June 30	November 1	November 10	

APPLICATION PROCESS

Step 1	Partner institution's coordinators notify MSUBS International Office of a student's intent to apply (make a nomination). Individual applications are accepted only from students of non-partner universities (free movers).
Step 2	A student completes the application documents through the online form. The required documents are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Scanned copy of passport◆ Official academic transcript◆ Motivation letter (in Russian or English)◆ CV
Step 3	<i>Official language certificate is not required, but the recommended level is B2 or higher (according to the CEFR).</i> Once the MSUBS coordinator receives and checks the documents he/she confirms the documents have been received.
Step 4	MSUBS's International Office sends a Letter of Acceptance to the student's home institution to confirm that the student is admitted in the programme. Visa Invitation letter is issued separately by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russian Federation which takes up to 45 calendar days.

VISA

Check if you require a visa to enter Russian Federation. If you need a visa, please contact the Visa Application Center or the Consulate of the Russian Federation in your country and follow their guidelines. Please note that students cannot enroll on a tourist visa.

Please notify that the validity of the passport must be at least 18 months (1,5 years) from the visa start date.

The first visa obtained is a 2-3 month single entry visa. Upon its expiry, it will be prolonged till the end of your study time at MSUBS and will become a multiple entry one.

LIVING IN MOSCOW



Distance from international airports	About an hour and a half by car and two hours by train and subway. We provide a meet and greet service organised by our students for every exchange student.
Accommodation	MSUBS dormitory is located in the MSU Main Building, 5 minutes walking distance from the School. A room in the dormitory is provided for exchange students, but the number of rooms is limited. To make a reservation in the student dormitory it is necessary to indicate your requirement in the application form. International Office of MSUBS provides all instructions on accommodation in the dormitory. Facilities: a single room (9m ²) in a two-rooms-block (with shared bathroom and WC) with two kitchens and lobbies on each floor of the dormitory. Rental price: about RUB 15,000 per month. The rental price is subject to confirmation.
	Off-campus accommodation. Students who choose to live in a rented apartment will have to be registered at the local migration office at the place of your actual residence within 7 (SEVEN) working days after entering Russia. Please, discuss this issue with the owner of the apartment in advance. You will have to be sure that the owner will provide you with a registration.
Living costs	Living costs depend on spending habits. Average amount of basic expenses is RUB 40,000-45,000 per month (excluding rental price).
Health insurance	In accordance with the Regulations on the provision of medical care to foreign citizens studying at Lomonosov MSU, all foreign citizens are required to purchase at their own expense a medical insurance policy that will be valid on the territory of Russia.
Buddy programme	There is a buddy programme to help incoming students to adopt in Moscow. A buddy is a senior year MSUBS volunteer student who fluently speaks English and ready to help with any practical issues during your stay in Russia (arrival, dormitory check-in, study process organization, campus life etc.)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Course information	International students (exchange students and free-movers) can attend Bachelor and Master courses in English and in Russian (advanced level language proficiency required). A tentative List of courses taught in English is available on MSUBS website. Please note that courses are subject to change. The maximum course workload is 30 ECTS. International students are able to choose any combination of courses provided that there are no overlaps in the schedule. Students are encouraged to check in with their home universities for credit load requirements. The updated Course list along with detailed instruction for course registration will be sent to student's email 1 month prior to the start of academic semester. The registration take place on Moodle online platform. Login and password will be sent to student's e-mail address along with course registration instructions.
Russian language course	Add & drop period is on the 1st week of the semester. Resits are not allowed. Russian language course is available for free for beginner level . Workload is 5 ECTS (60 contact hours) per semester.
Study schedule	The precise schedule is available at the very beginning of the semester. As the study schedule at MSUBS is changeable, you will receive a relevant version of it in the end of each week. Bachelor classes time: Mon-Fri: 9:00—18:15; Sat: 9:00 16:30 Master classes usually take place: Mon-Fri: 19:00-22:10; Sat: 10:00 17:20

Grading

Lomonosov MSUBS adopts a 5-point grading system. There are two types of grading schemes used for student performance assessment: pass-fail scale and 5-point scale, which is applicable in case of differentiated grade.

MSUBS grade	Pass/fail	Points/100	Grade Letter	Grade Descriptor
5	Pass	80 and above	A,B	Excellent
4		70-79	C	Good
3		60-69	D,E	Satisfactory
2	Fail	59 and below	F, N	Unsatisfactory

Transcript of records

Digital transcripts will be sent to a student's and home university coordinator's email within 3-5 weeks after the official end of the semester: i.e. in February for Fall semester and at the end of June for Spring semester. Hard copies can be sent to a student's home university address upon a coordinator's request.

Tuition Fee

Tuition fee is waived for exchange students from partner universities. Free movers from non-partner universities are required to pay tuition fee RUB 430 000 per semester. Payment can be accepted in Russian rubles only. International Office provides all instructions for payment.

ENJOY STUDENT LIFE AT LOMONOSOV MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL!

International students are welcome to participate in any extracurricular activities offered by MSUBS throughout the academic year: master classes held by prominent business leaders, dynamic field trips to innovative companies, sport and cultural events, city tours and intellectual games, volunteering and charity projects. All the information pertaining to upcoming events is delivered to students via e-mail and our interactive website calendar.



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