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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS for the MSc in *International Economics and Business Administration (IEBA)*

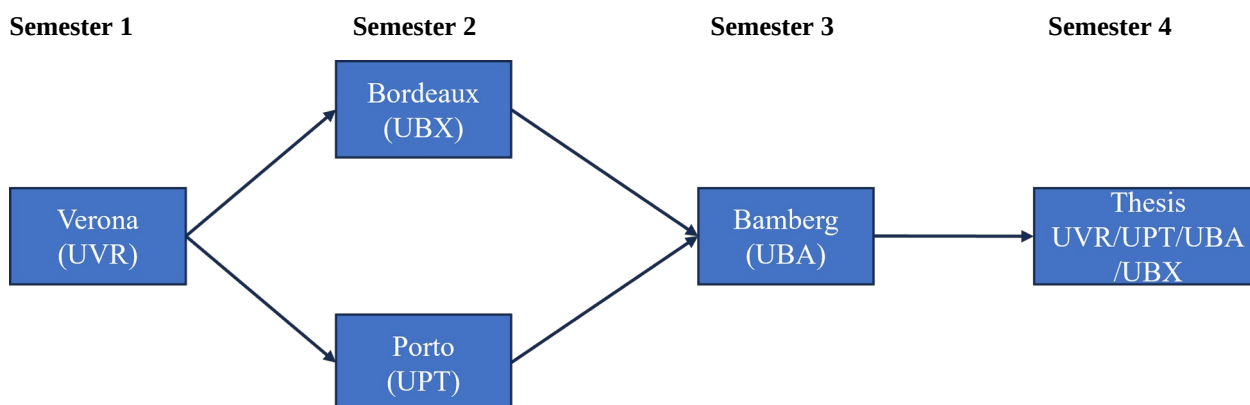
1. Introduction

The application for the admission to the **MSc IEBA: International Economics and Business Administration**, 2025-26 cohort is open.

IEBA MSc is an international triple degree program, which involves the following partner universities:

- University of Verona (Italy, coordinator)
- University of Bamberg (Germany)
- Université de Bordeaux (France)
- Universidade do Porto (Portugal)

The Triple Degree Program covers usually a two-year period in which 120 ECTS will be acquired and it is currently organized in two mobility tracks: a **Business-oriented track** and an **Economic-oriented track**. Students of both tracks will start the program in the first semester at the University of Verona. For the second and third semester students will attend classes either in the track Porto/Bamberg (Business-oriented track) or in the track Bordeaux/Bamberg (Economic-oriented track). In the fourth semester students will write a thesis with two supervisors from two different universities of their track.



The admission to the MSc IEBA requires the payment of a fee as follows:

- EU citizens and citizens from the World Bank list of developing countries:¹ € 2.500 per semester;

¹ Countries of origin that qualify for the reduced fee scheme (low and lower middle income): <https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519-world-bank-country-and-lending-groups>



- Non-UE citizens: € 4.000 per semester

For further information on the IEBA MSc please check the official website: www.ieba.eu

2. Admission requirements

The IEBA MSc is open to students who have already obtained a first university degree with an equivalent of at least 180 ECTS credits (in the European system or equivalent) after at least three years of study at Bachelor of Science (BSc) level in Economics or in closely related fields (such as Accounting, Business, Business Administration, Engineering, Management, Statistics) with a strong quantitative background.

Mandatory **prerequisites** are: Mathematics and Statistics (12 ECTS), Economics, Statistics, and Econometrics (48 ECTS). Students are expected to have also an intermediate knowledge level of Business Administration to take advantage of the courses provided in Bamberg.

The **BSc degree** must be obtained **before 31 July 2025** for non-EU students and before **September 30, 2025** for EU students.

3. Application modalities

Applications are done online through the website www.ieba.eu

During the application, IEBA applicants must provide the following documents and information:

- national ID/Passport;
- official academic transcript of records and degree certificates obtained at the time of the application (level 6 ISCED mandatory), with official certified English translations in case of non-EU candidates;
- proof of English Proficiency;
- CV in Europass format;
- motivation letter;
- choice of the MSc IEBA mobility track.

The applicants must be **fluent in English**, both written and spoken. An applicant whose native language is not English is required to pass a recognised international English test such as:

- TOEFL: CBT 220, ITP 550, IBT 80;
- Cambridge B2 First Test: 173 or higher;
- Cambridge C1 Advanced Test: 160 or higher;
- IELTS: 6.5 or higher;
- TOEIC: 800.

No other test is eligible. The results provided must not be older than 3 years at the time of



the application. Applicants who carried out their studies in English (in case, an official confirmation letter from their university is needed) are eligible **without providing** such a test result.

Incomplete applications will not be considered for selection.

4. Application deadlines

Deadline for the call for applications is May **31, 2025 at 12:00** CET.

In the event that the grants are not all awarded, the selection procedure will be reopened on a date to be confirmed.

5. Selection procedure

The selection procedure takes place in June. The Selection Committee (SC) divides the admitted applicants into a **main list and a reserve list**. Applicants on the main list may be eligible for scholarships provided by the IEBA Consortium.

Applicants in the reserve list can be admitted to the degree program as self-funded students.

If applicants are removed from the main list (in case of non acceptance of the scholarship), the best placed applicants on the reserve list will be added to the main list and notified immediately.

The ranking takes into account the student's academic performance, the relevance of their B.Sc. subject area to the IEBA curriculum, the quality of the home institution, the English language level, the letter of motivation and other aspects of the CV (work experience, professional qualifications, languages, etc.). Applicants whose applications have been rejected have the right to appeal.

Evaluation criteria for student selection

Evaluation criteria	Max Score
Academic performance at the Bachelor level (CGPA equal to 75/100 minimum)	35
Relevance of B.Sc study to IEBA	25
Quality of Institution that delivered the degree	10
Other CV aspects (work experience, professional qualifications, languages)	10
English level	10
Motivation letter	10
Total	100

Applicants who achieve an overall score of at least **70/100 will be admitted for an interview** with the SC. Applicants will be interviewed about their knowledge of their economical background and their motivation to enroll in the IEBA program. The score for the interview ranges from 0 to 30.

Only students who achieve an **interview score of at least 20** will be included in the main or reserve list for the possible scholarships financed through the mobilization of Consortium funds.



Only **applicants passing the two selection stages scoring at least 90 points (70 + 20) are admitted to the program**, as scholarships holders or as self-funded students.

Admitted students will be offered the possibility to follow the track of their choice as much as possible. In case of imbalances, the allocation of admitted students to the two different tracks will be based on their obtained scores, so that students admitted with higher scores will have higher likelihood to be assigned to the track of their choice. Admitted students during their study track will be asked to show their original degree certificates to the universities they will be attending, that is Bordeaux, Porto and Bamberg.

6. Ranking list and results notification

The results of the selection will be notified to the candidates by the Selection Committee within July 10th 2025 and the final ranking will be published on the www.ieba.eu website. The minutes of the selection will be immediately enforceable.

7. Admission to the MSc IEBA

Admitted applicants must confirm their participation to the programme within seven days from the Selection Committee notification. Please note that the final admission and the enrollment to the program are subject to the payment of the fees specified in Article 1 by **September 30th 2025**. Admitted students who will prove to be defaulting will be excluded from the MSc IEBA.

Successful candidates from non-UE countries must apply on time for a study visa at the competent Italian Embassy in the country of residence.

Please also note: before coming to Italy, successful candidates **from non-EU countries** must ensure they have **sufficient funds to support themselves for a minimum of €500 per month** (€6,000 per year), **which is mandatory in order to obtain a visa**. Notice however that the cost of living in the concerned countries is actually higher than that amount.

8. Mobility grants

Students admitted to the programme may receive a mobility grant for the mandatory mobility periods during the second and the third semesters, up to five participants per track per year. The grants will be awarded according to the admission final ranking.

Mobility grants will be funded by the University of Verona, the Italian Ministry of Education and Research and the Erasmus+ Programme, according to the chosen track, for a maximum of 12 months overall. Mobility grants will be managed by the International Office of the University of Verona according to the rules of the Erasmus+ Programme.



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For the A.Y. 2025/26 admitted students will automatically be awarded mobility grants on the basis of the relevant [Erasmus+ for Study call for application](#) (please check in particular Article 4). More information will be shared with the admitted students after the conclusion of the enrolment procedure.

For the mobilities to be carried out during the second year students will have to apply to the Erasmus+ for Study 2026/27 call for applications (provisional publication date: January 2026).

9. Privacy and data protection

Personal applicants' data are treated by the University of Verona according to EU Ruling 2016/679. More information at www.univr.it/en/privacy.

10. Contact information

Information requests regarding application deadlines, selection participation, ranking or IEBA requests can be addressed to ieba@ateneo.univr.it

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