



Degree Programmes

This study placement is open to Aston Business Students.

Number of Places: 2

This document provides basic information about the university. **Please do your own research before applying.**

Application Process

To apply for this opportunity you must submit an online application.

Link to the online application can be found in the **How to Apply** section in each university ad. Online application form requires registration, please register with your Aston University e-mail.

Please note that you can submit one application only. As a part of the application, you must provide three universities in order of preference, which should also be specified in your motivation letter.

You are required to submit one motivational letter, which must be focused on your first priority.

Please do not contact the partner university directly as all the applications are processed by Aston's International Projects Team.

The University

RSM Erasmus University
Burg. Oudlaan 50
3062 PA Rotterdam
The Netherlands



[Website](#)

[Information for exchange students](#)

RSM Erasmus University (part of Erasmus University) was formed when the former Faculteit Bedrijfskunde BSc/MSc Programmes and the Rotterdam School of Management MBA programmes merged in 2005. There are now approximately 5,000 students there. It has accreditation from EQUIS (European Quality Improvement System), AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) and AMBA (Association of MBAs).

What it is like to study at RSM Erasmus



Location

RSM Erasmus University is situated on the outskirts of **Rotterdam**, the largest seaport in the world and the industrial heart of the Netherlands. It is a cosmopolitan city (over 160 nationalities live there) and is only 45 minutes away from Amsterdam Schiphol Airport. Rotterdam is a modern city which was almost completely rebuilt after the bombardments of World War 2. It is known in Dutch as “the city that works”.



The Netherlands is Europe’s most densely populated country, and is the only place on the continent where English is fluently spoken and by the entire

population. It is a country of great artistic and cultural heritage, with a founding history as one of the world's greatest trading nations.

Semester/key dates

Introduction days	late August
Autumn Term 1	September – December
Spring Terms	January – June
Term 2	January-March
Term 3	April-June

[Academic Calendar](#)

[Courses Available](#)

Aston students will follow modules in English from the second and third year of the Bachelor of Science in International Business Administration at RSM Erasmus University.

Workload: 20 ECTS per trimester (total of 60 ECTS for the whole year)

[RSM Career Services Job Board](#) is also open to ABS exchange students.

Living in the Netherlands

- **[Accommodation](#)**

The University's housing desk will help to provide furnished accommodation for exchange students, mainly in student houses or private rooms or apartments in the city of Rotterdam.

- **Cost of Living (approximate)**

RSM Erasmus suggests that, for a reasonable standard of living in the Netherlands, you should have a monthly income of approximately €800.

For 4 months (approximate)

Accommodation	€1400 - €2300
Food	€544
Medical Insurance	€144
Books	€200*
University Sports Card	€37
Travel	€400

- A “**Bachelor Exchange Fact Sheet**” can be downloaded from the [website](#).
- **Other Information**

Exchange students can attend the 'Intensive Dutch Course', which is organized by the University Language Centre (ULC). This 3-week course takes place in January and in August and deals with Dutch grammar, vocabulary and conversation in combination with a few excursions. The costs for this course are € 525, including all teaching materials, but excluding costs for accommodation. The University Language Centre offers courses in other languages, for which there is also a fee. Additional Information can be found in international [Handbook](#) for new students.
- **Orientation Programme**

The International Office organizes an orientation programme for exchange students, as well as various social events, and a buddy system operates, whereby RSM students make contact with exchange students and help them to settle in during the first few weeks after their arrival.

Next steps if you are successful

1. You will be invited for a face-to-face or phone interview with the Placements Team
2. You will be nominated by us to the partner university
3. You must complete and send us the Erasmus application form
4. Then you will need to apply directly to RSM. RSM will contact you by email and you will then have to send various application documents with the Application Form for Exchange, such as your CV and a copy of your academic transcript, to the International Office at RSM. At the same time you will be able to apply for accommodation and for your student card, and you will also send in your course registration form.
5. Read the Study Plan (available on Blackboard from June)
6. Complete a Learning Agreement once your modules have been approved by your Placement Tutor

Visa

Please ensure that you have an up to date passport before applying to RSM Erasmus, and also that you fulfill any visa requirements for entering and studying in The Netherlands. For further information, please see the website of the [Dutch Embassy](#) in London.

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