

# Fact Sheet AY 2026-27

## Master in Finance Exchange



WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management

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# Administrative Matters

## Academic Calendar\*

<https://www.whu.edu/programs/exchange-programs/>

During their stay, students can choose courses only from the Master in Finance program. Due to difference in program structures, courses from the Part-time MBA and Full-time MBA cannot be chosen.

### Fall 2026

<b>Quarter I</b>	September 01 - October 23, 2026
<b>Quarter II</b>	October 26 - December 18, 2026**
<b>Mandatory Orientation</b>	To be confirmed
<b>Arrival Dates</b>	Students to be notified by e-mail

### Spring 2027

<b>Quarter III</b>	January 11 - March 05, 2027
<b>Quarter IV</b>	March 08 - May 01, 2027**
<b>Mandatory Orientation</b>	To be confirmed
<b>Arrival Dates</b>	Students to be notified by e-mail

The dates usually include exams, but a few exams might take place during the week after the end of each quarter (except for quarter II).

The dates for our the MBA program differ and can be found in the WHU MBA Fact Sheet.

\*All dates are subject to change

\*\* The official end of the spring semester is August 31st but no classes are offered between May to August. During that time students could do an internship in Germany based on their student residence permit. Fall term officially goes until December 31st but no classes are held in the last 10 days of the term.

## Deadlines for Application & Nomination

<b>Fall 2026</b>	June 1, 2026 (recommended**)
<b>Spring 2027</b>	October 1, 2026 (recommended**)
<b>Double Degree</b>	April 1, 2026

\*\* Please let us know if you would like to nominate students after the deadline.

## Nomination Procedure

The home university nominates their student(s) via email including the following information:

- First name and family name of the student (as shown in passport)
- Student's gender
- Student's nationality (for visa purposes)
- Intended length of study
- Study program (MSc, MBA)\*\*\*
- Student's email address

\*\*\* Due to the different campus locations and program structures, graduate exchange students can not mix MSc and MBA courses. The partner university should indicate upon nomination whether the nominated graduate student is applying for our MSc Exchange Program on our Vallendar campus (see our WHU Campus Vallendar BSc MSc Fact Sheet) or our MSc in Finance Exchange Program on our Düsseldorf Campus.



## Application Process

After the home university has emailed the nomination to the respective exchange coordinator at WHU, the nominated student(s) will receive instructions for the online application procedure via email.

Shortly after the application deadline, we will process the complete online applications and send an acceptance package including the letter of acceptance for each student to the international office at the home university.

## Housing

At the moment WHU cannot offer exchange students university sponsored housing in Düsseldorf. After the application deadline students will be provided additional information and resources which they can use to find housing. It is each student's responsibility to secure accommodation but we are happy to help and give them advice during the process.

## Visa and Residence Permit

Depending on their nationality, students might need a visa and/or residence permit to study in Germany. While we assist students in applying for their residence permit, it is the student's own responsibility to take care of visa matters as early as possible, ideally at least 2 months prior to departure.

Students should contact the German Consulate of their home country (or country of residence) to find out if they need a student visa prior to entering Germany/Europe for study purposes.

## Health Insurance

All exchange students have to provide proof of health insurance upon their arrival at WHU. It has to cover the following aspects to be acknowledged by the German authorities:

- The student's name has to be mentioned as the insured person
- Period of time: coverage of the entire stay in Germany
- Region: Germany must be covered
- Emergencies must be covered
- All medical expenses must be covered

Health insurance with full coverage for sickness, emergencies and all medical expenses is absolutely mandatory for all exchange students in Germany. Students can contact the International Relations Office at WHU in advance to check if their health insurance is sufficient.

## Cost of Living

A student's cost of living will be approximately 1500 € per month, depending on their lifestyle and how much they're willing to spend on free time activities (e.g. travelling, eating out, sports, visiting concerts and clubs).

- Accommodation: between 450 € and 700 €
- Mobile Phone: approx. 30 €
- Food: approx. 180 €
- Local transportation: approx. 215€ (Deutschland ticket, one time payment at the beginning of the semester)
- Health Insurance: approx. 100 € if acquired in Germany
- Miscellaneous (leisure activities): approx. 300 €





# Academic Matters

## Campus in Düsseldorf – MSc in Finance Exchange Program

Full-time and Part-time MBA and the Master in Finance (MSc) courses for exchange students are conducted on our campus in Düsseldorf. The Master in Entrepreneurship, Master in International Business and a Master in Business Analytics and Master in Management program as well as the Bachelor in International Business Administration and Bachelor in Business Psychology for undergraduate exchange students are offered on our campus in Vallendar.

For information on our Exchange Programs on Campus Vallendar, please see our "WHU Campus Vallendar BSc MSc Fact Sheet".

Graduate students fulfilling the WHU MBA admission requirements need to decide prior to nomination which program they would like to join. The partner universities should include in their nomination email whether the nominated graduate student will join our MSc (Vallendar), MSc in Finance or MBA (Düsseldorf) Exchange Program.

For more information and for a list of requirements that need to be fulfilled to join the MBA exchange program, please see our "Flexible MBA Exchange Factsheet"

Due to the different campus locations and program structures, **graduate exchange students can no longer mix MSc and MBA courses.**

For more information on our Campus in Düsseldorf, please visit this website: [www.whu.edu/mba-exchange](http://www.whu.edu/mba-exchange)

To "discover Düsseldorf", have a look at this official city website: <https://www.duesseldorf.de/int>

## Course Catalog

<https://ir-online-course-guide.whu.edu/>

## Language of Instruction

Our graduate program is entirely taught and examined in English.

## Language Requirements

BSc and MSc exchange students do need to prove their proficiency in English as we trust the selection process of our partner universities. Therefore, a nomination from a partner university is considered proof that the student has a high level of English proficiency (at least B2).

## Academic Information

**Class format:** Lectures, seminars and exercises

**Class size:** 20 to 40 students

**Examination types:** Exams, papers, cases, presentations and participation

**Attendance:** Mandatory

**Workload:** 5 to 7 courses per term for all programs

**Transfer of Credits:** Graduate/language courses are worth 5 ECTS credits

## ERASMUS Information

Information for Incoming Erasmus students.

Online Learning Agreement (OLA):

### Receiving Institution Information:

Country: Germany

Name: WHU-Otto Beisheim school of Management

Faculty/Department: International Relations Office

Address: Burgplatz 2, 56179 Vallendar, Germany

ERASMS Code: DKoblenz03

### Receiving Responsible Person:

Name: Kristina Schwanitz

Position: Exchange Coordinator Europe

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Phone number: +49 261 6509 163

### Receiving Administrative Contact Person:

Same as above

## Additional Student Services Available

- Personalized academic counseling
- Access to our award-winning Career Center (e.g. company presentations, networking and recruiting fairs, online job & internship database)
- Deutschland Ticket: access to all public transportation in Germany
- Free German language courses offered

## Grading System

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1.0 to 1.5	sehr gut	very good
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## Flexible MBA Exchange



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### Customizable Length of Stay:

Due to the modular course structure, MBA exchange students can stay for as little as a few weeks, a full semester or anywhere in between.

During their stay abroad, students can choose from both Part-time MBA courses (offered on Saturdays and Sundays) and Full-time MBA courses as well as the Master in Finance courses (MSc) (on a case by case basis).

Start your MBA Exchange Program any time throughout the year

### MBA Fall 2026

#### Flexible Semester Dates:

September 01 – December 18, 2026

#### Orientation:

Will be arranged individually

### MBA Spring 2027

#### Flexible Semester Dates:

January 11 – May 01, 2026

#### Orientation:

Will be arranged individually

\*All dates are subject to change

## Recommended Deadlines for Application & Nomination

Fall 2026	June 1, 2026 (recommended**)
Spring 2027	October 1, 2026 (recommended**)
Double Degree	April 1, 2026

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## Nomination Procedure

The home university nominates their student(s) via email including the following information:

- First name and family name of the student (as shown in passport)
- Student's gender
- Student's nationality (for visa purposes)
- Intended length of study
- Study program (MBA, MBA Double Degree)\*\*\*
- Student's email address

\*\*\* Due to the different campus locations and program structures, graduate exchange students can not mix MSc and MBA courses, the Master in Finance (MSc) is an exception since this program takes place in Düsseldorf.

The partner university should indicate upon nomination whether the nominated graduate student is applying for our MSc Exchange Program on our Vallendar campus (see our WHU Campus Vallendar BSc MSc Fact Sheet) or our MBA Exchange Program on our Düsseldorf Campus (if eligible).



## Application Process

After the home university has emailed the nomination to the respective exchange coordinator at WHU, the nominated student(s) will receive instructions for the online application procedure via email.

Shortly after the application deadline, we will process the complete online applications and send an acceptance package including the letter of acceptance for each student to the international office at the home university.

## Housing

At the moment WHU cannot offer exchange students university sponsored housing in Düsseldorf. After the application deadline students will be provided additional information and resources which they can use to find housing. It is each student's responsibility to secure accommodation but we are happy to help and give them advice during the process.

## Visa and Residence Permit

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## Health Insurance

All exchange students have to provide proof of health insurance upon their arrival at WHU. It has to cover the following aspects to be acknowledged by the German authorities:

- The student's name has to be mentioned as the insured person
- Period of time: coverage of the entire stay in Germany
- Region: Germany must be covered
- Emergencies must be covered
- All medical expenses must be covered

Health insurance with full coverage for sickness, emergencies and all medical expenses is absolutely mandatory for all exchange students in Germany. Students can contact the International Relations Office at WHU in advance to check if their health insurance is sufficient.

## Cost of Living

A student's cost of living will be approximately 1500 euros per month, depending on their lifestyle and how much they're willing to spend on free time activities (e.g. travelling, eating out, sports, visiting concerts and clubs).

- Accommodation: between 400 € and 700 €
- Mobile Phone: approx. 30 €
- Food: approx. 180 €
- Local transportation: 0 € (free semester ticket)
- Health Insurance: approx. 100 € if acquired in Germany
- Miscellaneous (leisure activities): approx. 300 €





## Campus in Düsseldorf – MBA Exchange Program

Full-time and Part-time MBA and the Master in Finance (MSc) courses for exchange students are conducted on our campus in Düsseldorf, while the Master in Management (MSc), and Bachelor in International Business Administration (BSc) courses are in Vallendar, as will the European Summer programs.

Graduate students fulfilling the WHU MBA admission requirements (see below) need to decide prior to nomination which program they would like to join. The partner universities should include in their nomination email whether the nominated graduate student will join our MSc (Vallendar), MiF or MBA (Düsseldorf) Exchange Program.

For information on our MSc Exchange Programs, please see our "WHU Campus Vallendar BSc MSc Fact Sheet" and our "WHU MiF Fact Sheet"

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## MBA Admission Requirements

MSc and MBA exchange students may apply for our MBA Exchange Program if they fulfill the following admission requirements:

**Minimum Age:** 24 years

**Fulfill one language requirement below:**

- English as mother tongue
- Completed or currently studying in a university degree program taught and examined entirely in English
- Minimum internet-based TOEFL score of 100 points
- Minimum 7.0 in IELTS.

Additionally, MSc students wishing to enroll in our MBA Exchange Program need to prove **two years of work experience** (full-time job or full-time internships in Business Administration).

## Program Offer for Exchange Students

On its campus in Düsseldorf, WHU graduate exchange students fulfilling the MBA admission requirements can choose classes from the Full-time MBA, Part-time MBA as well as the Master in Finance (MSc) Program.

On its campus in Vallendar, WHU offers a Bachelor in International Business Administration and Bachelor in Business Psychology for undergraduate exchange students, a Master in Entrepreneurship, Master in International Business and a Master

in Business Analytics in addition to the Master in Management program for graduate exchange students (for information on these programs, e.g. academic calendar, see "WHU Campus Vallendar BSc MSc Fact Sheet").

Due to the different campus locations and program structures, **graduate exchange students can no longer mix MSc (Vallendar Campus) and MBA courses, with the exception of the Master in Finance program.**

## Course Catalog

<https://ir-online-course-guide.whu.edu/>

## Language of Instruction

Our Full-time and Part-time MBA Program is entirely taught and examined in English.

## Language Requirements

See "MBA Admission Requirements" on this page.

## Academic Information

**Class format:** Lectures, seminars and exercises

**Class size:** 20 to 40 students

**Examination types:** Exams, papers, cases, presentations and participation

**Attendance:** Mandatory

**Workload:** 5 to 7 courses per term for all programs

## Additional Student Services Available

- Personalized academic counseling
- Access to our award-winning Career Center (e.g. company presentations, networking and recruiting fairs, online job & internship database)
- Free Semester Ticket: access to all public transportation in North Rhine-Westphalia
- Free German language courses offered

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## BSc and MSc Exchange



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## Academic Calendar\*

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### Fall 2026

<b>Quarter I</b>	September 01 – October 23, 2026
<b>Quarter II</b>	October 26 – December 18, 2026**
<b>Mandatory Orientation</b>	August 27 and 28, 2026
<b>Arrival Dates</b>	August 25 and 26, 2026

### Spring 2027

<b>Quarter III</b>	January 11 – March 05, 2027
<b>Quarter IV</b>	March 08 – May 01, 2027**
<b>Mandatory Orientation</b>	January 06 and 07, 2027
<b>Arrival Dates</b>	January 04 and 05, 2027

The dates usually include exams, but a few exams might take place during the week after the end of each quarter (except for quarter II).

The dates for our MBA exchange program differ and can be found in the WHU Campus Düsseldorf MBA Fact Sheet.

\*All dates are subject to change

\*\*The official end of the spring semester is August 31st but no classes are offered between May to August. During that time students could do an internship in Germany based on their student residence permit. Fall term officially goes until December 31st but no classes are held in last 10 days of the term.

## Deadlines for Application & Nomination

<b>Fall 2026/Full Year</b>	June 01, 2026
<b>Spring 2027</b>	October 01, 2026
<b>Double Degree</b>	April 01, 2026

## Nomination Procedure

The home university nominates their student(s) via email including the following information:

- First name and family name of the student (as shown in passport)
- Student's gender
- Student's nationality (for visa purposes)
- Term(s)
- Study program (BSc, MSc)\*
- Student's email address

\* Due to the different campus locations and program structures, graduate exchange students can no longer mix MSc and MBA courses. Starting fall 2025, the Master in Finance (MSc) course will be offered on Campus Düsseldorf, making this course an exception.

The partner university should indicate for each nominee upon nomination whether this graduate student is applying for our MSc Exchange Program on our Vallendar campus or our MBA Exchange Program on our Düsseldorf campus (if eligible; see our WHU Campus Düsseldorf MBA Fact Sheet).

## Erasmus Information

Information for Incoming Erasmus Students, Online Learning Agreement (OLA):

### Receiving Institution Information:

Country: Germany

Name: WHU-Otto Beisheim School of Management

Faculty/Department: International Relations Office

Address: Burgplatz 2, 56179 Vallendar, Germany

ERASMUS Code: DKoblenz03

### Receiving Responsible Person:

Name: Kristina Schwanitz

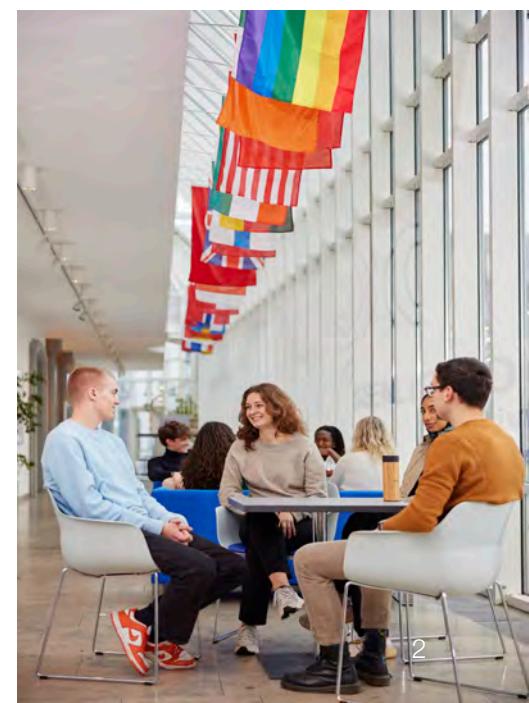
Position: Exchange Coordinator Europe

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Phone number: +49 261 6509 163

### Receiving Administrative Contact Person:

Same as above



## Application Process

After the home university has emailed the nomination to the respective exchange coordinator at WHU, the nominated student(s) will receive instructions for the online application procedure via email.

Shortly after the application deadline, we will process the complete online applications and send a letter of acceptance to each student to the international office at the home university.

## Housing

<https://www.whu.edu/housing>

The application for housing is done within the online application. After processing the application, the housing office will contact the students directly. Housing is distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Exchange students will be given support to find their apartment before arrival, either by maps, detailed descriptions on how to find the apartment or by a WHU student buddy.

**Expected date of arrival:** one or two days before our mandatory orientation.

### Contact persons:

**Katrin Dausch and Sabine Neuer**  
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## Visa and Residence Permit

<https://www.whu.edu/programs/exchange-programs/pre-departure-arrival-at-whu/>

Depending on their nationality, students might need a visa and/or residence permit to study in Germany. While we assist students in applying for their residence permit, it is the student's own responsibility to take care of visa matters as early as possible, ideally at least 2 months prior to departure.

Students should contact the German Consulate in their home country (or country of residence to find out if they need a

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student visa prior to entering Germany/Europe for study purposes.

## Health Insurance

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- All medical expenses must be covered

Health insurance with full coverage for sickness, emergencies and all medical expenses is absolutely mandatory for all exchange students in Germany. Students can contact the International Relations Office at WHU in advance to check if their health insurance is sufficient.

## Cost of Living

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A student's cost of living will be approximately 1200 € per month, depending on their free time activities (e.g. travelling, eating out, using sports facilities, visiting concerts and clubs).

- Accommodation: between 450 € and 650 €
- Mobile Phone: 30 €
- Food: 200 €
- Laundry: 20 €
- Local transportation: approx. 215 €\* (One time payment)
- Health Insurance: approx. 100 €
- Miscellaneous (leisure activities): 300 €

\*Amount subject to change.

## Deutschland Ticket

All exchange students are required to purchase the Deutschland Ticket. This allows them to travel nationwide on local public transport as well as all regional trains and buses. The Deutschland ticket is only valid with the WHU student ID. To receive the card students must pay the mandatory Deutschland Ticket fee of approx. 215,00 € during registration. This amount is subject to change and will be communicated to the students well in advance. Students may pay using credit card or cash. Fees may apply when using a credit card, so we recommend that students first contact their credit card provider for more information.



# Academic Matters

## Program Offer for Exchange Students

**On its campus in Vallendar**, WHU offers a Bachelor in International Business Administration and a Bachelor in Business Psychology for undergraduate exchange students. For graduate exchange students WHU offers a Master in International Business in addition to the Master in Entrepreneurship, Master in Management and Master in Business Analytics programs.

**On its campus in Düsseldorf**, WHU graduate exchange students fulfilling the MBA admission requirements can choose classes from the Full-time and Part-time MBA Program. For more information on these programs such as academic calendar etc. see "WHU Campus Düsseldorf MBA Fact Sheet". Starting Fall 2025 the courses from the Master in Finance program will be offered at our Düsseldorf campus. Due to the different campus locations and program structures, graduate exchange students can not mix MSc and MBA courses.

## Online Course Guide

[www.ir-online-course-guide.whu.edu](http://www.ir-online-course-guide.whu.edu)

## Language of Instruction

Two undergraduate tracks are offered: either with 80% or 100% of the courses in English. The graduate programs are taught completely in English.

## Language Requirements

BSc and MSc exchange students do not need to prove their proficiency in English as we trust the selection process of our partner universities. Therefore, a nomination from a partner university is considered proof that the student has a high level of English proficiency (at least B2).

## Academic Information

**Class format:** Lectures, seminars and exercises

**Class size:** 30 to 40 students

**Examination types:** Exams, papers, cases, presentations and participation

**Attendance:** Mandatory

**Workload:** 5 to 7 courses per term for all programs

**Transfer of Credits:** Undergraduate courses are worth 4,5 ECTS credits and graduate/language courses are worth 5 ECTS credits

## German Language Course

WHU offers intensive German courses throughout the semester. Exchange students have the opportunity to participate in one of the 4 levels offered, from beginners to advanced. The course is worth 5 ECTS credits and tuition-free for exchange students.

## Grading System

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## Faculty

<https://www.whu.edu/faculty/>

- Economics
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Finance and Accounting
- Management
- Marketing and Sales
- Supply Chain Management

## Additional Student Services

- Full access to the Career Center Services (incl. counseling, tailor-made newsletter with internships and job offers for international students, as well as access to the company presentations)
- VIP (Vallendar Integration Program is a student organization to foster the integration of exchange students at WHU)
- Student Buddy Program
- 24h library and gym access



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