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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

RISEBA is an inter-disciplinary, multicultural university providing the global labour market with intelligent, creative and independently thinking individuals. RISEBA stands for excellent education, internationally recognized degrees, high quality of graduates, excellent research base and highly qualified staff.

RISEBA is one of the first private higher education institutions in Latvia, today RISEBA is among 10 largest higher education institutions in Latvia (both public and private) with almost 3000 students, including 260 international students, who attend 20 study programmes of different levels and directions, and more than 9000 alumni worldwide.

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PROVISIONARY ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Autumn semester 2025/2026	
29.08.2025 – 29.08.2025	Orientation days for exchange students
01.09.2025 – 19.12.2025	Start of semester and lecture period
22.12.2025– 04.01.2026	Christmas and New Year's holidays (only for Bachelor students*)
05.01.2026 – 31.01.2026	Examination period, end of the semester
Spring semester 2025/2026 (to be updated)	
30.01.2025– 31.01.2025	Orientation week for exchange students
01.02.2025 – 31.05.2025	Start of semester and lecture period
01.06.2025 – 30.06.2025	Examination period, end of the semester

Notice: The exam schedule is set in accordance with RISEBA semester dates. It is possible that there will be exams on the last day of the semester. We strongly recommend that students book their return flights with the semester dates in mind - the above dates **MUST** be respected according to internal regulations of Riga International School of economics and Business Administration!

RISEBA will not modify the exam schedule due to early departure flights.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Programmes available for exchange (in English):

Bachelor Programmes

- European Business Studies- <https://riseba.lv/en/programme/european-business-studies/>
- Architecture- <https://riseba.lv/en/programme/architecture/>
- Audiovisual Media Arts- <https://riseba.lv/en/programme/audiovisual-media-arts/>

Master programmes

- Audiovisual Media Arts- <https://riseba.lv/en/programme/new-media-and-audiovisual-art/>
- International Business <https://riseba.lv/en/programme/international-business/>
- Specialisation “Business Executive” (for spring semester only)
 - Specialisation “Human Resource Management” (for spring semester only)
 - Specialisation “Project Management” (for spring semester only)
 - Specialisation “International Finances” (for spring semester only)
- Architecture <https://riseba.lv/en/programme/architecture-2/>

Useful links about RISEBA :

Information for the incoming ERASMUS+ students - <http://www.riseba.lv/en/students/international-opportunities/erasmus-incoming>

Video about RISEBA - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NxU8-hSwJIM&t=34s>

APPLICATION PROCEDURE & DEADLINES

Nomination Deadlines

For autumn semester **15 April**

For spring semester **15 October**

Please note that by these dates a list of exchange student nominees should be already sent in.

Application Deadlines

For autumn semester **15 May**

For spring semester **15 November**

Please note that by these dates all of the student application forms and documents should be already sent in.

Documents required to be uploaded in online application platform

- a completed Learning agreement
- a passport photocopy or ID card photocopy
- an international health insurance photocopy
- Proof of solid English language knowledge - Letter of recommendation or TOEFL/ IELTS certificate



NOTES:

- All incoming Erasmus students are entitled to a 2-week period after their arrival at RISEBA to make changes in their course selection and finalize their learning agreements. After 2-week period course changes will not be possible!
- Bachelor students can choose courses only from Undergraduate programme, and Master students can choose only from Postgraduate programmes.
- Undergraduate students have classes during the day, whilst Master students are studying only several times a week in the evenings from 18:00 – 21:10.
- **It is required to choose courses from one study year!**
- RISEBA is entitled to make 20% changes to the curriculum of the programmes.
- Undergraduate programme „Audiovisual Media Arts” is available **in English only during Spring Semester.**
- **European Business studies students must choose one of the provided course options, in all other programmes students must choose a specific study year.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Academic Considerations

Many of courses consist of a full-time semester of study. Exchange students make up their own curriculum by selecting courses up to 30 ECTS. Students can take courses from different years within autumn or spring semesters, but note that in that case there can be some overlaps. **It is not possible to combine courses from different programmes.**

Language proficiency

A good knowledge of English is required in order to successfully follow the courses offered to international students. RISEBA does not require any kind of English test (for exchange students) prior to your arrival. But RISEBA strongly recommends that your command of English is at least equal to a higher score than 550 for TOEFL test and 6.0 for IELTS.

The Credit system

One Latvian credit (1kp) is equal to 1.5 ECTS.

Examinations

All courses include written and/or oral examinations. During one course you will have at least two exams and final exam at the end of the course. There are “10” marks (from 1-10, you can pass course if you do not have lower than 4) awarded in the Latvian universities. If a student fails an examination, there is the possibility of taking a re-sit examination later in the semester. The examination re-sit is free of charge for exchange students. Only successfully completed courses are recorded on the student’s Transcript of records.



GRADING SYSTEM:

ECTS Grade	%	10 grade system	Transcript	Assessment criteria: Knowledge and skills
A	96 – 100	10	With distinction	Knowledge exceeds Standard requirements of the programme. A student is involved in independent research and demonstrates deep understanding of an issue.
A	90 – 95	9	Excellent	Knowledge fully meets the requirements of the programme, a student is capable of applying the knowledge to real life situations.
B	80 – 89	8	Very good	Knowledge fully meets the requirements of the programme, however in some cases a student cannot demonstrate deep understanding of an issue and is not able to apply the knowledge to more complicated situations.
C	70 – 79	7	Good	Knowledge fully meets the requirements of the programme, however there are some minor deficiencies in the acquisition of knowledge.
D	60 – 69	6	Almost good	Knowledge fully meets the requirements of the programme, however there are some deficiencies in the acquisition of a certain major issues.
E	50 – 59	5	Satisfactory	In general, the programme has been acquired, but a student cannot demonstrate deep understanding of quite a number of major issues.
E	40 – 49	4	Almost satisfactory	In general, the programme has been acquired, but a student cannot demonstrate understanding of a quite a number major issues and is not able to apply the acquired knowledge
FX	26 – 39	3	Bad	A student has a basic understanding of major issues of the subject, but cannot apply the knowledge.
F	10 – 25	2	Very bad	A student has a basic understanding of major issues of the subject, but still totally lacks understanding of some of the major areas.
F	1 – 9	1	Very, very bad	No understanding of the subject.

ECTS GRADING SCALE:

ECTS Grade	% of successful Students normally Achieving the grade	Definition
A	10	EXCELLENT – outstanding performance with only minor errors
B	25	VERY GOOD- above the average standard but with some errors
C	30	GOOD- generally sound work with a number of notable errors
D	25	SATISFACTORY- fair but with significant shortcomings
E	10	SUFFICIENT- performance meets the minimum criteria
FX	-	FAIL- some more work required before the credit can be awarded
F	-	FAIL- considerable further work is required

Transcript of Records

A transcript of records will be issued according to Latvian grading system and the ECTS system and transferred to you and your home university at the end of the semester.

Academic Culture

Relations between students and teachers may seem informal to foreign students. You are encouraged to ask question both inside and outside the classroom. Mostly classes contain of lecturing, cases studies and work in groups. You need not to hesitate to ask a question about things you do not understand or comment on things you disagree with.

Latvian Language

Latvian is one of the Baltic Languages which belongs to Indo-European language's group. Latvian is related to Lithuanian language. For international students we recommend that you learn at least some words in Latvian to further enjoy your stay here. RISEBA offers 3.0 ECTS course in Latvian. At orientation session you will be informed about possibility to take Latvian Language course. There should be at least five exchange students for this course.