RENMIN UNIVERSITY OF CHINA
BUSINESS SCHOOL

AACSB ACCREDITED

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INTERNATIONAL MBA
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Program Structure

- **Format:** Residential, 2-year, Full-time
- **Language:** English, Chinese *(language courses)*
- **Requirements:** 40 credits, Master's thesis *(30,000-word case study)*

Academic Calendars

- **Fall Semester:** 1 September to 15 January
- **Spring Semester:** 15 February to 30 June

(subject to minor changes)

Tuition

RMB 178,000 *(for two academic years, paid on an annual basis)*

Location

Business School, Renmin University of China
Zhongguancun campus, Haidian Dist., Beijing, P.R.C/
Tongzhou Campus, Tongzhou Dist. Beijing, P.R.C

The International MBA (IMBA) program, accredited both by AACSB and EQUIS, boasts award-winning faculty with expertise in Chinese and global business practices. This carefully crafted program reflects the Business School's mission of ***"to contribute Chinese management wisdom and global leadership talents to the world."*** We aim to educate business elites with inclusive leadership who make optimal business decisions based upon technical and management foundations, social responsibility perspective, and quality management practices.

The IMBA curriculum is designed to offer an integrated practical approach to management education that includes abundant case-based teaching, company visits, consulting projects, business mentorship, global networking opportunities, and a final graduation thesis in the form of a case study to help students combine management knowledge with practical resources, ignite self-reflection, and achieve personal growth.

Renmin Business School (RMBS) welcomes students with diverse backgrounds who are willing to advance to the next stage of their global careers!

ADMISSIONS

Eligibility Criteria

- **At least one year of relevant work experience, preferred** *(including cumulative and substantial internships)*
- **Bachelor's degree or higher**
- **A competitive GMAT** *(Focus Edition)***/GRE score** *(GMAT Code: KHB-NM-91, GRE DL: 3735 Renmin U China Schl Business)*, currently a minimum score of GMAT *(Focus Edition)* 525/GRE 285 is recommended

Note:

① For requirements for the GMAT (Focus Edition) or GRE, as well as the available GMAT Test Fee Voucher, please view our FAQs or contact imba@rmbs.ruc.edu.cn for further information.

② Applicants with substantial working experience (above five years) may apply for a GMAT/GRE waiver. Waiver requests are reviewed on a case- by-case basis.

③ Applicants holding a master's degree or above in Business Administration, Economics, Management or related fields are exempt from submitting a GMAT or GRE score report.

- **Non-native English speakers must submit one of the following:**
  a) Certificate of bachelor's (or above) degree taught in English
  b) IELTS academic overall score of 6.0 or above
  c) TOEFL iBT overall score of 90 or above (for tests taken before 21 Jan., 2026) / 4.5 or above (for tests taken on or after 21 Jan., 2026)
  d) Cambridge English C1 Advanced score of 180 or above.

Admission Steps

1. **Register and complete the application online**
2. **Material assessment by the University *(RUC)* and the School *(RMBS)***
3. **Interview by invitation for select applicants**
4. **Decision notification & Applicants' confirmation of acceptance**
5. **Official Admission Letter sent to applicants**

Application Materials to Submit Online *(please note applications will not be reviewed via email or post):*

01. **Completed International MBA Application Form**
    (the IMBA Application Form could be downloaded from the IMBA website-Download Center section)
02. **Official GMAT/GRE score report**
    (please check GMAT/GRE waiver criteria on IMBA website-FAQs section)
03. **English language proficiency proof**
    (for non-English native speakers)
04. **A copy of bachelor's or higher degree certificates**
    (original or notarized)
05. **Official transcripts** *(original or notarized)*
06. **Two recommendation letters** *(preferably one from an academic referee at the rank of associate professor or above, and the other from a professional/work referee)*
07. **A copy of the passport's Information page**
    (a valid ordinary passport)
08. **An up-to-date Resume** *(preferably summarized to one-page)*
09. **Personal Statement** *(preferably two pages in length)*
10. **Proof of Economic Capability**
    (Employment & Income Certificate and bank deposit certificate (no less than CNY 30,000 or equivalent foreign currency) from the applicant or sponsor, evidencing sufficient financial support for the duration of study)
11. **Statement of Guarantee**
    (the Template can be downloaded from the ISO website, the document should be signed by the economic guarantor)
12. **Certificate of No Criminal Record** *(original or notarized)*
13. **A completed Foreigner Physical Examination Report**
    (original, the Template could be downloaded from the ISO website)
14. **Published papers or other supporting materials, if applicable**
15. **A non-refundable application fee of 800 RMB**

For More Information

❶ **International Students Application System**
https://international.ruc.edu.cn/application

❷ **IMBA Program Website**
https://mbaen.rmbs.ruc.edu.cn/Our_Programs/index.htm

❸ **ISO Website**
http://iso.ruc.edu.cn/ENGLISH/index.htm

Application Timeline *(2027 intake, graduating as Class of 2029)*

Round 1 5 November 2026-15 January 2027	Round 2 15 February 2027-30 April 2027
Assessment and Interviews: within **two weeks** after receiving a complete application	
Decision Notification: within **seven** business days after interview	

❗ **Notes: For CSC Scholarship-Type B (high-level Program) applicants, the application timeline is 5 November, 2026, 00:00 – January 15, 2027, 17:00**

What Will I Learn?

Our IMBA program provides students with the skills needed for a successful global career. Upon graduation, you will be equipped with the technical foundations in core management fields such as finance, operations, and accounting, and will have developed analytical skills to make complex business decisions.

Of the 40 credits required to complete the IMBA program, 23 credits are in core courses that build students' management foundation, 8 credits are in electives to prepare students for a particular direction in management, and 2 credits in social practice. In addition, 7 credits are in general courses that familiarize students with China's socio-cultural environment. Students conclude the program with a master's thesis, which is a case study of a minimum 30,000 words focusing on a specific enterprise under the supervision of the thesis advisor.

The MBA Teaching Steering Committee is specifically established at RMBS to review and revise each year's curriculum to ensure the program's quality and that courses are updated according to the global business education trend.

Core Courses *(subject to minor revision)*

- Data Modeling and Decision-Making
- Organizational Behavior
- Operations Management
- Management Information Systems
- Managerial Economics
- Marketing
- Accounting
- Strategic Management
- Corporate Finance
- Academic Standards and Thesis Writing

General Courses

- Chinese Language Courses
- Chinese History and Culture
- Contemporary Chinese Politics

Electives

Students are free to choose from numerous electives that the Business School offers *(complete at least 6 credits in approved electives offered by RMBS)*. Apart from our MBA electives and SNOCs offered by the GNAM member schools, IMBA students can also choose elective courses offered by the Law School, School of Public Administration and Policy, School of International Studies, and International Summer School which offers over 130 courses each summer.

Sample Electives *(subject to availability)*

- Supply Chain Innovations
- Financial Markets and Institutions
- Investment
- Business Analytics
- Chinese Business Law
- Blockchain and Cryptocurrency
- Artificial Intelligence and Capital Markets
- Empirical Asset Pricing
- Macro Finance
- Options, Futures, and other Derivatives

Sample SNOCs *(subject to availability)*

- Natural Capital/ Pricing and Managing Sustainable Assets *(Yale SOM)*
- Managing People in the Global Context *(Berkeley Haas School of Business)*
- The Changing Business Environment/ The Luxury Business *(HEC Paris)*
- Managing Errors in Organizations *(ESMT Berlin)*
- Private Equity and Venture Capital *(SDA Bocconi)*
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship *(IE Business School)*
- Project Management *(UNSW Business School, AGSM)*
- The 10X Entrepreneur – Using AI To Amplify Your Impact *(HKUST Business School)*
- AI for Talent Management and Organizational Design *(NUS Business School)*
- Global Business Ethics AI, Neuroscience ESG & Culture *(Hitotsubashi ICS)*

Currently, 25-45 SNOCs are offered per semester, specifically designed for MBA students.



Who are IMBA Students?

Enrollment No.: 128

Women 55%

Average working exp. 5.5

2026 Cohort (Class of 2028) Profile

Average age 28

International students 15%

Represented nationalities 12

Careers

The School's CDC *(Career Development Center)* offers extensive career-related support to both students and alumni, serving as a bridge between students and the business community. Apart from CDC, the MBA Program Center, the MBA Alumni Association *(MBAAA)* and the AAD *(Alumni Affairs Development)* carry out numerous networking and capability development activities to expand placement channels for IMBA graduates.

SUM & SUBSTANCE

1 Global Network for Advanced Management

- Renmin MBA + Yale MAM *(Master of Advanced Management)*
- Global Network Week *(GNW)*
- Select Global Network Online Courses *(SNOCs)*
- GNAM events and networking activities

2 Global Degree & Exchange Opportunities

- 8+ global double or concurrent degree opportunities with universities including Yale, SPbU and more
- Semester-long exchange opportunities in one of over 40 partner schools

3 Financing Your MBA

- CSC Scholarships & Beijing Government Scholarship
- RMBS-IMBA merit-based entrance scholarships

4 TAP Program

- Team Action Project
- Managerial consulting program led by senior faculty

5 PAP Program

- Practical Ability Promotion project
- Seniors and experienced professionals tutoring

6 Business Competitions

- Throughout the whole academic years
- International and domestic competitions on Business Case Study, Startups, Investments and Business Simulation, etc.

7 Beyond the Classroom

- Various MBA clubs/associations and cross-cultural activities
- Numerous company visits and study tours
- Alumni lifelong study support system



GNAM

RMBS is one of the founding members of the **Global Network for Advanced Management (GNAM)** initiated by Yale School of Management in 2012. The Global network currently includes 33 leading business schools from diverse regions, countries, cultures, and economies in different phases of development. Leveraging network efficiencies, utilizing new technologies, building strong institutional and personal relationships, the Global Network is having a transformational effect on students, member schools, management education, and beyond through flagship programs including Global Network Weeks (GNW), SNOCs, Global Virtual Teams (GVT), Berlin Global Dialogue, Case/Stock Trading competitions and various seminars and networking opportunities.

GNW

Global Network Weeks (GNWs) give students and faculty the opportunity to pursue intensive study at another network school, in a focused course that leverages the perspectives, programs, and faculty expertise of that school. Alongside their counterparts from elsewhere in the network, students attend classes, tour local businesses, and meet with experts focused on current business problems.

SNOCs

Global Network Courses or more specifically, the small Select Network Online Courses (SNOCs) are for-credit courses offered virtually by a GNAM member school open to students from throughout the network. The courses connect a select group of top-tier MBA students from multiple member schools online for lectures and discussions, and collaborative team projects, developing teamwork skills and cross-cultural perspective.

TAP

TAP is a managerial consulting project within the MBA program, which stands for **"Team Action Project."** The project is team-based and emphasizes integrative learning and tackling real-life business issues. Teams of three to six students are formed with one RMBS faculty assigned as a mentor for the half-year project.

PAP

The MBA **Practical Ability Promotion** (PAP) program matches students with senior managers to help students develop their networks and expose them to real business practices. Guest lecturers and CEOs are invited to the classroom to directly interact with MBA students. IMBA classes and company visits are often merged to create the optimal learning environment for our students.

BEST

Business Events Simulation Test, or known as the "BEST" program, was developed from Prof. Yang Du's acclaimed Sand Table Simulation course. This program uses business scenario simulation software to upgrade MBA students' knowledge structure and capacity, and helps them better adapt to complicated real-life scenarios after graduation.

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1. https://studyinchina.businessbecause.com/news/video-impact-international-mba-china

   The Impact of an International MBA in China: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0D0ekhEUxC0

2. https://studyinchina.businessbecause.com/news/video-how-make-most-out-your-study-abroad-experience-china

   How to make the most of studying abroad: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ArknmcT3byY