

## Course Descriptions Exchange 2022-2023

Course Title International Business  
 Course Code EBC2027  
 ECTS Credits 6,5  
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

| Period | Start     | End      | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| 5      | 17-4-2023 | 9-6-2023 | X   |     |     | X   |     |

Level Intermediate  
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 Language of instruction English

Goals The students in this course will:  
 1. develop understanding of theoretical and empirical issues in international business;  
 2. apply theory to real world cases;  
 3. advance teamwork and communication skills.

Description PLEASE NOTE THAT THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) USED IN THIS COURSE IS WITH RESERVATION. A RE-EMERGENCE OF THE CORONAVIRUS AND NEW COUNTERMEASURES BY THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT MIGHT FORCE COORDINATORS TO CHANGE THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS USED. THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING/ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE COURSE SYLLABUS.

This course is designed to improve students' understanding of the complexities presented by managing businesses in an international environment. It begins with a historical background of globalization and the development of institutions to support international transactions. Potential similarities and differences between countries in economic development, political and legal systems, culture, government policies on trade and in accepting foreign investments are discussed. Differences in national monetary systems and capital markets are considered with reference to globalization and the integration of world markets. The second part of this course reviews the role of location, the strategy and organization of multinational corporations (MNC), cross-border alliances and international mergers and acquisitions, and the formation of international knowledge networks for technology creation. The course concludes with ethical issues faced by international businesses.

Literature We'll be using Hill's 14th edition of ISE International Business: Competing in the Global Marketplace. Students will also need to register on the Harvard website ([www.hbr.org](http://www.hbr.org)) and purchase assigned cases using a link included in the course manual.

Prerequisites Advanced level of English.  
 Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Assignment / Groupwork / Research  
 Assessment methods Attendance / Written Exam / Presentation

Evaluation in previous academic year For the complete evaluation of this course please click <http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM>

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

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| Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Emerging Markets                 | Year 2 Elective Course(s)   |
| Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics | Year 2 Compulsory Course(s) |
| SBE Exchange Bachelor  | Bachelor Exchange Courses   |
| SBE Exchange Master  | Bachelor Exchange Courses   |
| SBE Non Degree Courses   | Bachelor Courses            |