Academic Guidelines

I. General Rules

- 1 WBS offers professional degree programs (Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Finance) based on the following educational objectives: (1) Advanced specialization and practical education related to business and finance, (2) Acquisition of advanced knowledge in related fields, (3) Recurrent education for professionals in the fields of business and finance, and (4) Adaptation to the global business environment.
- 2 WBS education consists of "Course Curricula", which comprises lecture courses and practical seminars, and "Research Guidance", which is guidance for writing a thesis. The course curricula are in the International Master of Business Administration (MBA) program, One-year MBA program, Master of Science (MSc) in Finance program, Evening MBA program (General), and Evening MBA program (Specialized).
- 3 The two following types of students are enrolled at the school:
 - (1) Regular students
 - (2) Non-degree students
 - Of these, (1) refers to those aiming to obtain an MBA or MSc in Finance degree. The MBA degree will be conferred to those who complete the International MBA program, One-year MBA program, Evening MBA program (General), or MBA program (Specialized). The MSc in Finance will be conferred to those who complete the MSc in Finance program.
- 4 An academic year is divided into two semesters (Spring and Fall) of 14 weeks each. Each semester is further divided into first and second halves, which are called Spring and Summer quarters in the Spring semester and Fall and Winter quarters in the Fall semester.

| Spring S | emester | Fall Semester | |
|--|---------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Spring Quarter Summer Quarter | | Fall Quarter | Winter Quarter |
| (First-Half, Spring) (Second-Half, Spring) | | (First-Half, Fall) | (Second-Half, Fall) |

II. Academic Information

International MBA Program (Full-Time)

1. Degree Requirements

A student must fulfill the following requirements in order to be conferred an MBA degree by Waseda University:

- (1) Be enrolled in the International MBA program (full-time) for two years (or more).
- (2) Earn 50 (or more) credits in line with the category classification designated by WBS.
- (3) Submit the Degree thesis, participate in Seminars, complete the Research Guidance, and pass the Thesis Evaluation Screening and the Final Oral Examination.
- (4) Achieve an S.A. equal to or higher than 0.80.

Number of credits required for graduation by course category

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|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Course Category | | Number of Required Credits | Remarks | |
| Compulsory (| Core Courses | 14 | - All courses (7 courses) in this category are required. | |
| Compulsory Elective Core Courses | | 6 or more | 6 credits (3 courses) or more are required. If earning more than 6 credits, the credits will be counted toward graduation. | |
| Elective Courses | Bilingual Courses or Overseas Courses | 4 or more | 4 credits (2 courses) or more are required. Both English and Japanese languages are used in Bilingual courses. Grades will be given by P/Q assessment (see V. <i>Grading System</i>). Overseas courses are held outside of Japan, for example, in Singapore. | |
| | General Elective Courses | 8 or more | - 8 credits (4 courses) or more are required. | |
| | Seminars | 8 | - Seminars are offered in each semester from the first year and registered automatically. | |
| Specialized Research | Research Guidance | - | Research Guidance, which is non-credit, is offered in each semester from the second year and registered automatically. Grades will be given by P/Q assessment in each semester. | |
| | Degree Thesis | 4 | - Degree thesis will be registered automatically. See Section 3 <i>Degree thesis</i> . | |
| Total | | 50 or more | | |

2. Course Registration

(1) At the beginning of each semester, every student must select courses based on his/her own plans and complete the registration procedures for the courses during the designated registration period.

(2) Language courses

It is recommended that students take at least 8 credits of Center for Japanese Language (CJL) courses during the program. Alternatively, students may take Core Courses from the full-time Japanese program as Language courses by applying at the office during the registration period. Language courses do not count toward completion requirements, and grades are made on a P/Q assessment. Please note that there is an additional fee to take Japanese language courses at CJL.

(3) Limitations and recognition of credits from courses of other programs and schools (Limitation and recognition of credits are imposed by each category respectively)

| Program | Course Category | Category to be Counted | Maximum Number of Credits ¹ |
|--|----------------------------------|---|---|
| | Compulsory Core Courses | IMBA students cannot take these courses. | |
| MSc in Finance Program | -Compulsory Elective Core Course | General Elective Course | It is possible to take up to 10 credits counted toward graduation. |
| -Compulsory Core Courses -Compulsory Evening MBA Programs Evening MBA Programs | | IMBA students cannot take these courses.1 | |
| | General Elective Courses | General Elective Course | It is possible to take up to 16 credits but only 10 credits can be counted toward graduation. |
| Courses offered by the other graduate schools and the specific courses offered by GEC ² | | General Elective Course | It is possible to take up to 10 credits counted toward graduation. |
| Courses offered by the other institutions (GEC and CJL) | | - | There is no limit but the credits are NOT a part of the graduation requirements. |
| Courses offered by the NTU double MBA program | | General Elective Course | There is no limit. |

¹ Only in the case of students who fail the required core course in the full-time curriculum, taking the same course offered in the Evening MBA program may be allowed.

(4) Maximum credits for registration

A student can register up to 22 credits in each semester.

- a) Credits for the intensive courses are included.
- b) Credits for Seminars and the Degree thesis are included.
- c) Credits for the courses not part of the graduation requirements and language courses are NOT included.
- d) Credits obtained as non-degree students before enrollment are NOT included.
- e) Transferred credits obtained during study abroad at overseas graduate schools are NOT included.

(5) Cancellation of registered courses

The following limitations regarding course cancellation apply to the courses offered by WBS.

Up to 3 courses (6 credits) can be cancelled during the designated cancellation period at the beginning of each semester. One course (2 credits) can be cancelled during the first week of the second quarter courses.

² Some courses offered by GEC are counted as General Elective Course. Please refer to the WBS website Please refer to the WBS website for the course list.

(6) Re-taking a course

A student cannot register for a course once he/she has earned credits for it, except for Project Research and the Degree Thesis. It is not possible to take the same course twice, even if the instructor, lecture content, or language is different. However, in certain circumstances, students may take Core Courses again as a language course: those who enrolled in September may take a Japanese Core Course; those who enrolled in April may take an English Core Course.

(7) Transfer of credits obtained before enrollment

In principle, it is not possible to transfer the credits obtained at other graduate schools to Waseda or other universities in Japan or abroad before enrolling at WBS.

However, a re-enrolled student or a WBS non-degree student who is permitted to enroll at WBS as a regular student is able to transfer up to 6 credits (3 courses) taken when he/she was in WBS, upon completion of certain application procedures.

Furthermore, in the case that a student who enrolled in the Graduate School of Commerce MBA Track or the Graduate School of Finance, Accounting, and Law as a regular student, or a non-degree student is permitted to enroll at WBS, he/she may be able to transfer up to 6 credits (3 courses) taken when he/she was in the school, upon completion of certain application procedures.

(8) Transfer of credits obtained at an Overseas Graduate School during enrollment at WBS Up to 12 credits that students obtained at overseas universities during enrollment at WBS may be transferred toward graduation upon completion of certain application procedures.

3. Degree Thesis

- a) The research output must include not only theoretical or practical considerations on a specific topic, but also a critical review of previous studies and original analysis.
- b) The paper must be prepared in accordance with the IMBA Program Degree Thesis Guidelines, provided separately.
- c) It must be written in either Japanese or English.
- d) An oral defense will be conducted.

4. Guidelines for Course Registration

- a) Review the course list for each semester and make a long-term study plan.
- b) Take Compulsory Core Courses and Compulsory Elective Core Courses (registered automatically) in the first academic year because these are prerequisites for elective courses and thesis writing.
- c) Discuss with your supervisor in regards to the necessary course(s) for thesis writing and planning well.
- d) For those who apply for student exchange or double-degree programs, plan well to take the necessary courses in consideration for the study-abroad period.

MSc in Finance Program (Full-Time)

1. Degree Requirements

A student must fulfill the following requirements in order to be conferred an MSc in Finance degree by Waseda University.

- (1) Be enrolled in the MSc in Finance program (full-time) for two years (or more).
- (2) Earn 50 (or more) credits in line with the category classification designated by WBS.
- (3) Submit the Degree thesis, participate in Seminars, complete Research Guidance, and pass the Thesis Evaluation Screening and the Final Oral Examination.
- (4) Achieve an S.A. equal to or higher than 0.80.

Number of credits required for graduation by course category

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|---------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|--|
| | | Number of Required Credits | Remarks | |
| Compulsory C | Core Courses | 14 | - All courses (7 courses) in this category are required. | |
| Compulsory E Courses | Elective Core | 16 or more | - 16 credits (8 courses) or more in this category are required. - If earning more than 16 credits, the credits will be counted toward graduation. | |
| General Elective Cours | ses | Optional | -There is no requirement in this category. - Allowed to take the general elective courses offered in the MBA program as the MSc's general elective course category. The credits will be counted toward graduation. | |
| | Seminars | 6 | Students take the seminar from the second semester¹. Students are required to take a different seminar in each semester. | |
| Specialized Research | Research Guidance | - | Research Guidance, which is non-credit, is offered in each semester from the second year and registered automatically. Grades will be given by P/Q assessment in each semester | |
| | Degree Thesis | 4 | - Degree thesis will be registered automatically. See section 3 Degree thesis. | |
| Total | | 50 or more | | |

¹ It is not possible to take a seminar in the first semester.

2. Course Registration

(1) At the beginning of each semester, every student must select courses based on his/her own plans and complete the registration procedures for the courses during the designated registration period.

(2) Limitations and recognition of credits from courses of other programs and schools (Limitation and recognition of credits are imposed by each category respectively)

| Course Category | Course Segment | Category to be Included | Maximum Number of Credits |
|---|--|---|---|
| | Compulsory Core Courses | MSc in Finance students cannot take these courses. | |
| International MBA Program | -Compulsory Elective Core Course -General Elective Courses | General Elective Course It is possible to take up to 10 credits counted toward graduation. | |
| Evening MBA | -Compulsory Core Courses -Compulsory Elective Core Course | MSc in Finance students cannot take these courses. | |
| Program | General Elective Courses | General Elective Course | It is possible to take up to 16 credits but only 10 credits can be counted toward graduation. |
| Courses offered by other graduate schools and transferrable courses at GEC ¹ | | General Elective Course | It is possible to have up to 10 credits counted toward graduation. |
| Courses offered by other institutions (GEC and CJL) | | - | There is no limit but the credits are NOT a part of the graduation requirements. |
| Courses offered by the NTU Double MBA Program | | General Elective Course | There is no limit. |

¹ Some courses offered by GEC are counted as General Elective Course. Please refer to the WBS website for the course list.

(3) Maximum credits for registration

A student can register up to 22 credits in each semester.

- a) Credits for the intensive courses are included.
- b) Credits for the Seminars and the Degree thesis are included.
- c) Credits for the courses not part of the graduation requirements and language courses are NOT included.
- d) Credits obtained as non-degree students before enrollment are NOT included.
- e) Transferred credits obtained during study abroad at overseas graduate schools are NOT included.

(4) Cancellation of registered courses

The following limitations regarding course cancellation apply to the courses offered by WBS.

Up to 3 courses (6 credits) can be cancelled during the designated cancellation period at the beginning of each semester. One course (2 credits) can be cancelled during the first week of the second quarter courses.

(5) Re-taking a course

A student cannot register for a course once he/she has earned credits for it, except for Project Research and the Degree Thesis. It is not possible to take the same course twice, even if the instructor, lecture content, or language is different.

(6) Transfer of credits obtained before enrollment

In principle, it is not possible to transfer the credits obtained at other graduate schools to Waseda or other universities in Japan or abroad before enrolling at WBS.

However, a re-enrolled student or a WBS non-degree student who is permitted to enroll at WBS as a regular student is able to transfer up to 6 credits (3 courses) taken when he/she was in WBS, upon completion of certain application procedures.

Furthermore, in the case that a student who enrolled in the Graduate School of Commerce MBA Track or the Graduate School of Finance, Accounting, and Law as a regular student, or a non-degree student is permitted to enroll at WBS, he/she may be able to transfer up to 6 credits (3 courses) taken when he/she was in the school, upon completion of certain application procedures.

(7) Transfer of credits obtained at an Overseas Graduate School during enrollment at WBS Up to 12 credits that students obtained at overseas universities during enrollment at WBS may be transferred toward graduation upon completion of certain application procedures.

3. Degree Thesis

- a) The research output must include not only theoretical or practical considerations on a specific topic, but also a critical review of previous studies and original analysis.
- b) The paper must be prepared in accordance with the IMBA Program Degree Thesis Guidelines, provided separately.
- c) It must be written in either Japanese or English.
- d) An oral defense will be conducted.

4. Guidelines for Course Registration

- a) Review the course list for each semester and make a long-term study plan for course registration.
- b) Take Compulsory Core Courses and Compulsory Elective Core Courses (registered automatically) in the first academic year because these are prerequisites for elective courses and thesis writing.
- c) Discuss with the program coordinator in regards to the necessary course(s) for thesis writing and planning well.
- d) For those who apply for student exchange, plan well to take the necessary courses in consideration for the study-abroad period.

Waseda-Nanyang Double MBA Program (only for Double MBA students)

The Waseda-Nanyang Double MBA Program is jointly offered by WBS, Waseda University, and Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University (hereinafter NTU). Students in this program take core courses in Singapore in the first 8 months and take elective/seminar courses in Japan in the following 6 months. A student who fulfills the designated requirements will be conferred two MBA degrees from NTU and Waseda.

During the 6-month program in Waseda, a student can register up to 34 credits.

- a) Credits for the prescribed courses are included.
- b) Credits for the Seminar, Project Research and JIS Paper are included.
- c) Credits for the courses not part of the graduation requirements are NOT included.

Waseda-ESCP Double Degree Program (Apply after enrollment at WBS)

WBS, Waseda University, and ESCP Europe jointly conduct the Waseda-ESCP Double-Degree Program. Students can apply for the program after enrollment at WBS.

1. Degree Requirements

- (1) Be enrolled in the Waseda University International MBA program for at least two semesters and the ESCP Master in Management (MiM) program for at least two semesters.
- (2) Meet the degree requirements of both WBS and ESCP.

2. Degree

A student who fulfills the designated requirements is conferred the degree of the Master in Management from ESCP and the degree of Master of Business Administration from Waseda University.

Only students enrolled in the September admissions for the International MBA program can complete the program in two years should they fulfill the graduation requirements. Although students enrolled in the April admissions for the International MBA can also apply for the program, their graduation period will be extended by one semester or more since there is an enrollment time gap between Waseda and ESCP.

III. Non-Degree Students

- 1. Based on the screening procedures, non-degree student enrollment may be permitted.
- 2. WBS accepts the following classifications of non-degree students:
 - -Company-Sponsored students
 - -Graduates of WBS, Graduate School of Commerce MBA Track and Graduate School of Finance, Accounting, and Law.
- 3. Company-Sponsored students refer to those who are sponsored by the company they work for and have been approved by WBS for the enrollment in WBS to take a course at WBS.
- 4. Graduates of WBS, Graduate School of Commerce MBA Track and Graduate School of Finance, Accounting, and Law, refer to students who have completed the program at WBS (or its predecessor schools) and have been approved by WBS to take a course at WBS.
- 5. Regarding the credits earned at WBS as non-degree students, if enrollment as a regular degree-seeking student at WBS is approved by WBS after those credits are earned, a maximum of 6 credits (3 courses) may be approved as graduation credits after completing certain procedures. ※ The application for transferring credits must be submitted within a month after entry to WBS as a regular degree-seeking student.

IV. Schedule for Courses, Class Cancellation, and Makeup Lectures

1. Schedule for Courses

The timetable for the courses is as follows. Students must confirm the detailed course schedule on the Web syllabus.

(1) The 5th period (17:00-18:40) of the full-time program overlaps with the 6th period (18:30-20:10) of the Evening MBA program. Students are not allowed to take two overlapping courses.

| | | WBS | | | |
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| Period | Time | International MBA and MSc in Finance Program (full-time) General MBA Program (One-year) | Evening MBA Program (General) Evening MBA Program (Specialized) | | |
| 1 st | 8:50-10:30 | ✓ | ✓ (Saturdays) | | |
| 2 nd | 10:40-12:20 | ✓ | √ (Saturdays) | | |
| 3 rd | 13:10-14:50 | ✓ | ✓ (Saturdays) | | |
| 4 th | 15:05–16:45 | ✓ | ✓ (Saturdays) | | |
| 5 th | 17:00-18:40 | ✓ | ✓ (Saturdays) | | |
| 6 th | 18:55–20:35 | ✓ | ✓ (Saturdays) | | |
| 7 th | 20:45-21:35 | ✓ | | | |
| 6 th for the evening program | 18:30–20:10 | | ✓ (Monday to Friday) | | |
| 7 th for the evening program | 20:20–22:00 | | ✓ (Monday to Friday) | | |

2. Class Cancellation

Classes may be subject to cancellation due to unavoidable reasons such as circumstances related to the instructors. Notifications of class cancellations will be announced through MyWaseda / Waseda Moodle, or directly in classes. Regarding the class cancellations due to cases related to weather warnings or transportation strikes in the metropolitan area, please refer to "Contingency Measures Due to Severe Weather and Class Cancellation in Case of Strikes of Public Transportation in Tokyo Area."

3. Makeup Lectures

Makeup lectures will be offered in the case of cancellations. The information will be announced through similar approaches as the course cancellation.

4. Taking Courses and Exams for Courses Offered by Other Schools

Students must follow the guidelines of each school in order to take courses offered by the other schools. It should be noted that other schools' timetables might be different from WBS.

V. Grading System

Student achievement in lecture courses is indicated using the following five-grade system. Pass grades
are indicated with A+, A, B, or C, and fail grades are indicated by F. Specific courses will utilize a twoscale grading system with P for passing and Q for failing. Transcripts will list the courses that are counted
and not counted toward the degree requirements in which a passing grade was received and will not list
courses in which a failing grade was awarded.

P/Q-Graded Courses

BILINGUAL COURSE (Japanese Management, Creative Process and Ethics for Business, Family Business Management A: Theory and Family Business Plan Development How to Globalize Family Businesses, Corporate Value Creation in the Age of Digitalization (DX),

Diversity Management in the Accelerated Globalization Era), Business English, Leadership by Example A, Leadership by Example B,

Practical Case Studies, Dialogue with Top Entrepreneurs in Japan,

Diversity & Inclusion Management for Business persons.

2. S.A. and GPA

WBS uses two systems for individual grade averages: S.A. (Scholarship Average) and GPA (Grade Point Average). S.A. is the standard used within WBS for screening outgoing exchange students to WBS's partner institutions and for selecting candidates for scholarships within WBS. GPA is the standard used for screening students dispatched under inter-university partnerships and for selecting candidates for scholarships within the university. The main difference between the S.A. and GPA is that the S.A. does not include specialized research courses or courses offered by other majors, other graduate schools or other institutions.

(1) About S.A.

The total grade at WBS is calculated as follows:

(a) Each grade will be converted to a grade point (GP).

(b) The GP for each grade is as follows.

| Grade | Point | GP | Grade | Point | GP |
|-------|--------|----|-------|-------|-----|
| A + | 100–90 | 3 | С | 69–60 | 0 |
| Α | 89–80 | 2 | F | 59– | - 1 |
| R | 70_70 | 1 | | | |

- (c) The S.A. is the average GP calculated by the method below. The S.A. (up to two decimal points) is reflected in the final result.
 - * Add the products of each GP and the number of credits (CN) given, then divide that sum by the total number of credits registered (including the number of failed credits).

<S.A. calculation>

$(A^+ CN \times 3) + (A CN \times 2) + (B CN \times 1) + (C CN \times 0) + (F CN \times -1)$

Total number of credits registered (including failed credits and except for courses not counted for S.A.)

*Decimals are shown to the second place. (The third decimal place will be rounded.)

(d) Courses for S.A

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| Program | Courses for S.A. |
| - International MBA Program | All courses offered by the WBS are counted for S.A., |
| - MSc in Finance Program | in principle, but the following courses are excluded. |
| - One-year MBA Program | - specialized research (Seminar courses"Zemi", |
| - Evening MBA Program (General) | Research Guidances, Project Researches, Thesis) |
| - Evening MBA Program (Specialized) | - P/Q-graded courses |
| - Waseda-Nanyang Double MBA Program | - Non-credit courses |
| | - courses provided by other graduate schools or |
| | institutes |

(e) The S.A. is shown on the "WEB grade page." (It is not shown on the "Transcript of academic records.")

(2) About GPA

For academic assessment for courses, GPA is calculated as follows:

- (a) Each grade will be converted to a grade point (GP).
- (b) The GP for each grade is as follows.

| Grade | Point | GP | Grade | Point | GP |
|-------|--------|----|-------|-------|----|
| A + | 100–90 | 4 | С | 69–60 | 1 |
| Α | 89–80 | 3 | F | 59– | 0 |
| В | 79–70 | 2 | | | |

(C) Add the products of each GP and the CN given, then divide that sum by the total number of credits registered (including the number of failed credits).

$(A^{+}CN \times 4) + (ACN \times 3) + (BCN \times 2) + (CCN \times 1) + (FCN \times 0)$

Total number of credits registered (including failed credits)

*Decimals are shown to the second place (the third decimal place will be rounded).

(d) Courses for GPA

All courses registered for the degree (other than Non-credit courses) are included in the GPA calculations. However, the grade assessments for the courses listed below, which are included in the degree, are not reflected in the GPA.

- P/Q-graded courses
- Research guidances, which uses P/Q assessment.

(e) Notification and certification of GPA

The GPA is indicated on the "WEB grade page." A GPA certificate will be issued that indicates the grades and GPA for courses that use GPA. GPA is not shown on the "Transcript of Academic Records."

3. Assessment methods

WBS uses a grading system that is based upon three assessment methods: Comparative Grading, Adjusted Comparative Grading, and Absolute Grading.

| Assessment Method | Course Category |
|---------------------|--|
| Comparative Grading | Compulsory core courses, Compulsory elective core courses (except MSc) |
| Adjusted | General elective courses, Overseas courses, Compulsory elective core |
| Comparative Grading | courses (offered at MSc) |
| Absolute Grading | Seminar, Project research, Thesis |

Basic Grading Criteria

| Comparative | A + (total count): Limited to 20% or less of the total number of course-registered students |
|-------------|---|
| Grading | A + and A (total count of A+ and A grades): Limited to 40% or less of the |
| | total number of course-registered students |
| Adjusted | A + (total count): Limited to 20% or less of {the total number of course- |
| Comparative | registered students + 5} |
| Grading | A + and A (total count of A+ and A grades): Limited to 50% or less of {the |
| Grading | total number of course-registered students + 5} |

The grading methods are decided by the principal course segment regardless of which program a student belongs to. Thus, for example, if evening professional students take compulsory elective core courses, the credits will be counted as elective course graduation credits, but the assessment methods will be Comparative Grading. Take careful note of this when signing up for courses.

4. Commendation System for Honor Students with Good Academic Results

WBS offers commendations to honor students with good academic results for each program.

Dean's List: posting on the bulletin board and issuing a certificate.

Commendation for high achievers each semester.

A student, who registered for at least five courses (except Specialized Research and PQ assessment courses) in the most-recent semester and the S.A. value is within the top 15%.

Distinguished Students: posting on the bulletin board and awarding a certificate of merit.

Commendation for students with good results at the time of graduation.

A student, whose period of enrollment is within the standard period, and the S.A. value is within the top 10% at the time of graduation.

Extra Effort Students: (Apply only to students in the IMBA program): awarding a certificate of merit.

Commendation for students in the International MBA program (full-time) who earned a large number of

credits.

A student, whose period of enrollment is within the standard period and at the time of graduation, has earned 64 credits or above for courses required for graduation and achieved an S.A. equal to or higher than 1.0.

VI. Study Abroad

- 1. WBS strongly encourages its students to study abroad during their enrollment.
- (1) Exchange programs under the departmental agreement

WBS has established student exchange agreements with 41 partner institutions. WBS sends students and accepts students from the partner schools.

The list of WBS partner schools is available on our Website:

https://www.waseda.jp/fcom/wbs/en/applicants/global

- (2) Exchange programs with partner schools under the university-wide agreement
 - Waseda University has a variety of student exchange agreements with about 600 partner schools around the world and sends Waseda graduate students to the partner schools. Please refer to the study-abroad handbook issued by the Center for International Education for further information.
- (3) Other study-abroad programs Students who participate in any study-abroad program other than the programs mentioned above will be regarded as taking part in "Privately Financed" study-abroad programs. In such cases, please consult with the WBS Office before departure.
- In principle, study-abroad programs are one year or less in length. Please contact the WBS office for the details regarding the school fees and the student status at WBS before applying for a student exchange program.
- (1) In the case of exchange programs under the departmental agreement, the participants must pay all tuition and fees to WBS. The full tuition and fees of the host institution will be exempt.
- (2) The tuition and fees in the student exchange programs under the university-wide agreement will vary depending on the program.
- (3) For students who participate in Privately Financed study-abroad programs, a fee of 50,000 JPY will be charged as a registration fee by Waseda, each semester. The tuition and fees for the host institution will be charged by the host institution for each semester.
- 3. Credits earned during the study-abroad programs (except language courses) may be officially transferred and recognized within the limit of 12 credits for each degree after completion of the credits transfer procedures and screening. When recognized, they will be counted as General Elective Courses and the course titles are written in English on the transcripts of academic records. For students who participate in Privately Financed study-abroad programs, if credits earned during the Privately Financed study-abroad program are transferred, a credit transfer fee will be charged.

Application for transfer credits earned during a study-abroad period should be made in accordance with the deadlines indicated on the following table. The application result will be announced at the time of the grade announcements, in which the transferred credits will be recognized.

As a general rule, a credit transfer application after the designated deadlines will not be permitted, and a credit transfer can be made only while the student is enrolled at WBS.

It is possible to participate in an exchange program in the final semester before graduation, with the understanding that the credits earned may not be transferred if the transcript from the partner school is not issued in time before the designated deadline.

| | Students in the | eir final semester | Other students | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| End date for study- abroad program | Credit recognition application deadline | Announcement of credit recognition decision | Credit recognition application deadline | Announcement of credit recognition decision | |
| Departs in spring semester | End of June | Early September | Within 3 months | Grade announcement | |
| Departs in fall semester | End of January | Early March | study-abroad program | day, depending on application date | |

VII. Chair Courses and Other Collaboration Courses

WBS seeks to contribute to the improvements and development in the fields of education and research and has entered into academia and research tie-ups with other institutions and organizations. In order to maintain its independence, individual character, and originality, the university has adopted the following guidelines.

- (1) Respect individuals' academic freedom and independence.
- (2) Promote world peace and human welfare through research; never engage in any military research or military development.
- (3) Contribute to the research goals and development and educational advancement of the university.
- (4) Never engage in any illegitimate research activities that prohibit the publication of the research findings. This, however, does not apply to any agreement resulting from trust or rational regulations between/among entrusted researcher(s) and/or co-researcher(s).
- (5) Ensure social fairness in all activities.
- (6) Disclose and publicize all related documents based on democratic procedures, ensuring that all such decisions are based on the decisions of the researcher(s)/author(s).

In order to carry out the aforementioned guidelines without bias or fear, the university has set up a Guideline Committee to oversee each individual tie-up.

The following chair course lectures have been set up under the supervision of the aforementioned inspection committee.

< Chair Lecture Series for AY2025>

Developing and Managing Global Venture Enterprises (Chair Course by Okawa Dream Foundation)

<Other Collaboration Lecture Series for AY2025>

| Startup Factory (by WERU Investment) | | |
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| Sustainable Growth Strategy-Practice of Solving Social Issues for Global Leaders- (by ICMG) | | |
| Public Relations:Theories and Practice (by Japan Public Relations Institute) | | |
| Global Human Resources Management (by Mercer Japan) | | |
| KANSEI Marketing Theory (by EPOCH Company) | | |

VIII. Student I.D. Number

The student I.D. number is composed of 8 digits as follows:

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
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| а | | b | | С | | | |

- a: Graduate school code (e.g., 57 for WBS)
- b: The last two digits of the student's entry year
- c: Personal number (given by each program and the time of entry)

IX. Terms Related to Courses

| Term | Description |
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| Compulsory Core Courses | Compulsory courses that are the foundation for acquiring a degree. |
| Compulsory Elective Core Courses | Compulsory elective courses that are the foundation for acquiring a degree. |
| Overseas Courses | Courses held overseas (Singapore and other locations). The aim is to extend students' perspectives and knowledge in the global environment. |
| Bilingual Courses | Students can familiarize themselves with another language, learn about differences in culture and think through lectures conducted in both English and Japanese. (In the MBA full-time program, active interaction between English-speaking students and Japanese-speaking students is encouraged.) |
| Other Language Courses | A concept used in the International MBA program. The aim is to deepen students' understanding of another language. Students admitted in September (English speaking) study Japanese while students admitted in April (Japanese speaking) study English. These courses do not count toward graduation requirements, but a minimum of 8 credits is recommended. |
| General Elective Courses | Students can take general elective courses in order to acquire a breadth of knowledge from different perspectives. |
| Courses offered by Other Graduate Schools | Students can take courses offered by other graduate schools at Waseda. Students can register for courses offered by other graduate schools within the limit that each school has stipulated. |
| Courses at Global Education Center | Courses offered by GEC, the institution established in order to support open education at Waseda. There are English courses such as Tutorial English or other language courses. Some courses designated by WBS can be included as general elective course credits. There are cases, depending on the course, where an additional fee may be charged for the course. |

| Tutorial English | These courses are designed to provide English lessons with a small number of |
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| Courses | students divided according to their level. Tutorial English courses are treated as |
| | other language courses in the case of the International MBA program. An |
| | additional fee will be charged for these courses. |
| Courses at the | Courses offered by CJL for non-Japanese students. Students can study |
| Center for Japanese | comprehensively and intensively in a setting appropriate to their level. These |
| Language | courses are counted as other language courses in the International MBA. |
| | Depending on the course, an additional fee may be charged for the course. |
| Joint Courses | Courses established jointly by two different institutions, schools, or programs. |
| | There are joint courses between graduate schools, between programs, and day |
| | and evening joint courses between the MBA full-time program and the Evening |
| | MBA program. |
| | For example, in the case of the day and evening joint course: |
| | Students in the MBA full-time program take the course as part of the MBA full- |
| | time program; students in the Evening MBA program take the course as part of |
| | the Evening MBA program. |
| - Full Semester | Full semester courses: |
| Courses | 100-minute lectures per week for 14 weeks (=14 times) |
| - Quarter Courses | Quarter courses: |
| - Intensive Courses | 200-minute lectures (two consecutive periods, 7 weeks) |
| | Intensive courses: Intensive lectures held outside of the ordinary lecture |
| | schedule. |
| - Courses in the Full- | Full-time program courses: offered in the daytime on weekdays (in periods 1 to |
| Time Program | 6) and on Saturday. |
| - Courses in the | Evening program courses: offered on weekday evenings (in periods 6 and 7) |
| Evening Program | and on Saturday. |