



SSE RIGA

Stockholm School of Economics in Riga

BSc PROGRAMME IN ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS

- Duration of programme: 3 years
- Mode: full-time
- Language of instruction: English
- Class size: 130 students
- Degree: Bachelor of Science
- Location: Riga



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Welcome to the Stockholm School of Economics in Riga



For more than two decades, the Stockholm School of Economics in Riga (SSE Riga) has been educating students in the fields of economics and business.

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At this moment SSE Riga graduates can be found in almost all sectors of the economy and in more than 60 countries around the world. Even though their careers are indeed all very different, they all have in common that at one point in time they entered the doors of SSE Riga to take up the SSE Riga challenge. I do hope that you will be among the next generation of students taking up this challenge. Looking forward to welcoming you to SSE Riga in August!

Anders Paalzow, SSE Riga Rector

SSE Riga offers two accredited study programmes: a three-year bachelor's programme in economics and business and a two-year professional master's programme in business administration (Executive MBA).

Given the student body of 450 students and the comparatively small size of the School, staff and lecturers are able to work closely with students.

Studies in an international environment with students from more than a dozen countries and faculty members from Europe, the United States and Australia offer a global learning experience that is enriched by the student mobility programme, providing 40 students annually with an exchange semester at one of our partner universities in Europe, Hong Kong, Korea, and the United States.

Many students make lifelong friends and important connections while at the School. The School also offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities, including sports activities, a debate society, and other clubs.

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SSE Riga has proven to be a very high-quality education provider over these years with an excellent graduate employment record.



SSE Riga is located in the beautiful Art Nouveau District of Riga, a ten-minute walk from historic Old Riga. The SSE Riga building is an architectural monument of national significance in the art nouveau style; it was originally designed as a school by architect Mihails Eizensteins.

The decorations on the façade signify victory, knowledge and unity, and in fact it constitutes a victory to enter SSE Riga and to graduate at the end, but once you have done so the knowledge gained and the ties with the School last for a lifetime.

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**You don't
have to go far
from home
to study
at one of the
best business
schools in
Europe.**

BSc Programme in Economics and Business

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- Module-based three-year programme, delivered in English
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- The student group consists of 130 students from 10+ countries
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- Upon completion of the programme, the degree of bachelor of science (BSc) is issued
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- The programme is accredited by the Latvian Ministry of Education and Science



Application deadline for the
study year 2019/2020:
April 8, 2019

Start of the programme:
mid-August 2019

SSE Riga mission and values

The mission of SSE Riga has been, since its inception, to provide a state-of-the-art education in business and economics that contributes to the economic and social development of the region, in particular Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

Research is also a part of SSE Riga's mission. The School produces state-of-the-art research of relevance to the Baltic countries and actively participates and fosters public debate in its field of competence.

The core values of SSE Riga provide a foundation for faculty, staff, and students to accomplish its mission. These core values are integrity, community, and excellence.



SSE Riga also encourages you to cross as many borders as possible, whether national, cultural, or ethnic. This will facilitate and enrich your walk along the path of SSE Riga graduates.

Integrity

We adhere to high ethical standards by applying accountable academic and administrative policies, practices and services; the School requires its faculty, staff and students to practice dignity and honesty in actions and words.

Community

We nurture a diverse and caring community in which each member of the School is valued and respected; a positive and friendly atmosphere is created, allowing space for individual uniqueness and teamwork collaboration.

Excellence: we demand intellectual rigor and critical enquiry in advancing academic work and expanding knowledge; we serve as a catalyst for positive changes in the Baltic countries and beyond.



About

SSE Riga is known as one of the finest business schools in Europe – according to the Financial Times Ranking of Top European Business Schools, SSE Riga, as part of the SSE Group, is the No. 1 business school in the Baltic/Nordic region.



- You'll experience a very international study environment – SSE Riga has bachelor students from more than 10 different countries and international exchange students from more than 15 countries.
- You'll enjoy the family-like atmosphere – admitting just 130 top undergraduates in one class allows for personalised attention to students and it takes just a few weeks to get to know all of your study mates.
- You'll join a very strong and supportive community – alumni are actively involved in all SSE Riga activities and financially support the brightest young students.
- You'll study in a very interesting region of Europe since Riga has always been an international city serving as a gateway between the East and West.

The SSE Riga diploma is highly respected and opens doors for a successful career.

SSE Riga is a separate community that brings together very talented, but more importantly motivated and striving individuals, who are not willing to accept mediocrity, but rather want to achieve great heights in both their personal and professional lives.

Programme

Upon graduating, you can expect to work in a wide range of sectors, including finance, banking, auditing and consulting, IT and telecommunications, advertising and media, government, manufacturing, education and research.

SSE Riga provides a three-year academic study programme in economics and business leading to a bachelor of science degree in three years. The academic curriculum of the programme covers areas of both economics and business, allowing students to gain a wider perspective and thus have more career options after graduation.

- You'll concentrate on one subject at a time; a maximum of two core courses are delivered simultaneously.
- You'll choose specialisation courses in the last study year from the following options: Economics, Finance, Retail.
- You'll have the opportunity to choose from a variety of elective courses in the social sciences and entrepreneurship.
- You'll gain practical experience during the two internships that will give you an advantage in the job market.



Study Process

The study process involves five main components: core courses, specialisation courses, elective courses, the internship, and the bachelor's thesis.

Studies require full-time involvement and undergraduate students are expected to devote all their attention to studies since the teaching method at SSE Riga is very intense and interactive.

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You'll get real-world insights from industry professionals via company visits and workshops.



SSE Riga's learning environment and methods prepare students for a real business environment and develop strong and hardworking personalities.



- You'll study with international lecturers who are well recognised experts in their chosen fields in the Baltics, Europe, and overseas.
- You'll become confident when presenting in front of a large audience since students present their project work in front of the class and an evaluator.
- Your study achievements will be measured by various methods including assignments, research reports, project work, case study analyses, group or individual presentations and written examinations.
- You'll advance your teamwork skills as the majority of the courses involve project work in international teams.
- You'll receive guidance and support from a personal Academic Advisor.



You'll have the opportunity to attend guest lectures by leaders in a range of fields.



Students get a good grip on business relations, meet start-up experts, and visit enterprises.

Courses

The subject range is interesting not only for mathematically inclined students, but also for students with entrepreneurial spirit.

Core Courses

Year 1 courses

- Data Analysis
- Financial Accounting
- Mathematics
- Academic English
- Introduction to Academic Studies and Critical Thinking
- Economic Statistics
- Microeconomics
- Organization and Management
- Managerial Economics
- Macroeconomics
- Business Ethics and Sustainability
- Introduction to Entrepreneurship
- Marketing
- Economic and Consumer Psychology
- Management Accounting and Finance
- Internship (4 weeks)

Year 2 courses

- Human Resource Management
- International Finance
- International Economics
- Econometrics
- Market Research
- Economic Anthropology
- Financial Economics
- Economic and Consumer Psychology
- Research Methods for Bachelor Thesis
- Accounting and Finance
- Welfare Economics and Public Policy
- Internship (6 weeks)

Year 3 Courses

- Political Economy
- Specialisation: Economics
- Specialisation: Retail Fundamentals
- Specialisation: Finance
- Bachelor Thesis

* Minor adjustments to the course schedule may occur.

Having completed the programme, SSE Riga graduates possess excellent powers of analysis and critical thinking, rational argumentation skills, and are both entrepreneurial and professional.

Elective Courses

- Financial Mathematics
- Entrepreneurship (Mini-Accelerator)
- Globalisation
- EU Institutions & their Impact on Business
- Project Management
- Sharing Economy
- Audit and Taxation
- Economic History
- Introduction to Media Literacy
- American English Pronunciation
- Demography
- Happiness, Economy and Policy
- Smart Environment and Energy
- Entrepreneurship: Cambridge
- Game Theory
- Business Intelligence
- Negotiation and Dispute Resolution
- Investments
- Energy Systems

75%

of graduates get jobs even before graduation

91%

of graduates start a career right away

Students

At SSE Riga you'll experience a very international study environment – the School has bachelor students from more than 10 different countries and international exchange students from more than 15 countries.

SSE Riga students come from Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia as well as from Belarus, Russia, Georgia, Ukraine and Moldova.

Additionally, students from Germany, Spain, Italy, France and elsewhere choose to spend their exchange semester at SSE Riga.



Network — studying at SSE Riga you are surrounded by incredibly bright minds from the Baltics and other parts of Europe.



Class of 2021

Home country 118 students admitted



Class of 2020

Home country 131 students admitted



Social life will play a major role in your SSE Riga experience. Graduates often mention that most.

At SSE Riga you will find activities to cater to all interests: the Student Association, the Debate Society, the Charity Club, the Entrepreneurship Support Centre, the Investment Fund, the student magazine, the choir and sports.

- You'll develop your managerial skills by organising big events like the annual career fair "Days of Opportunities" or the largest international business student competition in Eastern Europe, "Peak Time".
- You'll have the opportunity to participate in more than a dozen interest groups formed by students.



You'll always be supported by the administration when it comes to new social and cultural initiatives.



You'll experience the best parties in town organised by the SSE Riga Student Association.

Tuition fee

SSE Riga's tuition fee in the bachelor's programme is EUR 6,250 per year.

Tuition fee waivers are available to students from the Baltic countries, reducing the tuition fee to EUR 3,900 per year.

Candidates apply for waivers as part of the application process. Tuition is fixed for all three years and is set at the tuition rate at the time a student enrolls in the programme.

Students from Latvia as well as citizens of other EU countries who have a temporary or permanent Latvian residence permit can apply for the Latvian state guaranteed loan. In case the state guaranteed loan is not available or if additional borrowing is needed, SSE Riga has designed a special loan programme to support students from the Baltic countries.

” However, the ability to attend SSE Riga does not depend on the student's financial situation – more than 90% of SSE Riga students receive significant financial aid.

- You'll have cosy study premises that are open 24/7 for students.
- You'll get course handouts and printouts at no additional cost.
- You'll get books from the SSE Riga Library for each course.
- You'll have access to an extensive range of databases and the best selection of books covering the main disciplines of business and economics in the SSE Riga Library.





Career prospects

SSE Riga graduates are very successful in today's competitive labour market, pursuing a range of careers in both the private and public sectors.

More than 2000 students have graduated from SSE Riga so far, and many of them hold senior managerial positions or have started their own businesses.

The majority of SSE Riga graduates enter the workforce as economists, financial or business analysts, and marketing specialists.

” Of Latvia's 100 biggest companies, 13 are run by our former students and five of them are on the board of Latvia's TOP 10 businesses.

OUR GRADUATES FROM LATVIA RUN OR OWN

463

COMPANIES

WITH A TOTAL TURNOVER OF

5.2

BILLION EUR

EMPLOY OVER

20,000

PEOPLE

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Life at SSE Riga has always seemed extraordinary to me. Students not only get to enjoy the finest quality education; they are also part of arguably the closest and most influential student community in the Baltic region. What is even more exciting is that by taking part in any of the student organizations our students get an opportunity to bring their personal skills to the next level, build a superior network, and shape the lives of those around them.



Ričards Kraupša
President, Student Association 2018

The Student Association is the union organization of students studying at SSE Riga. The presidential team of the Student Association and the chairpersons of seven committees are elected by SSE Riga students and work for a year to benefit the lives of SSE Riga students.

More information: association.lv

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SSE Riga develops in you the mindset of a fighter and a winner. The environment pushes you to the limit, making you work harder than you ever did before. It's a big challenge, but it's also a great way to improve yourself. I assure you it's worth it!

Nicoleta Barba
Moldova

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Do you want to be challenged and encouraged? Attending a lecture by Latvia's Minister of Finance, debating against the First Vice-President of the European Commission, networking with the CFO of SEB, learning big data languages and then enjoying a great party in the evening – this is a normal day for an SSE Riga student!

Vakhtangi Ivehiani
Georgia



Admission process in 2019

To be eligible to apply to SSE Riga, a candidate must meet the following requirements:

1. A secondary school education completed by July 2019 or earlier.
2. State examination results in mathematics and English.

STEP 1 | April 8, 2019

Online application deadline.

STEP 2 | April 27, 2019

The SSE Riga entrance exam takes place. The entrance exam consists of three tests – English, mathematics and logical aptitude.

STEP 3 | May 7 – 20, 2019

Approximately 220 of the best candidates, based on the SSE Riga entrance exam results, are invited for individual interviews.

FINAL DECISION | MAY 23, 2019

An acceptance letter is sent to admitted students.



The new academic
year begins
on August 19,
2019



Need more information?

The best way to find out about SSE Riga is to visit us!

Open Door Day

October 20, 2018 | January 26, 2019 |
March 16, 2019

When you have to decide which university to choose, it's not just about the programme, it's also about the atmosphere and people. Open Door Day is the most effective way to find out the answer to the question: Will I feel at home there?

Shadow Days

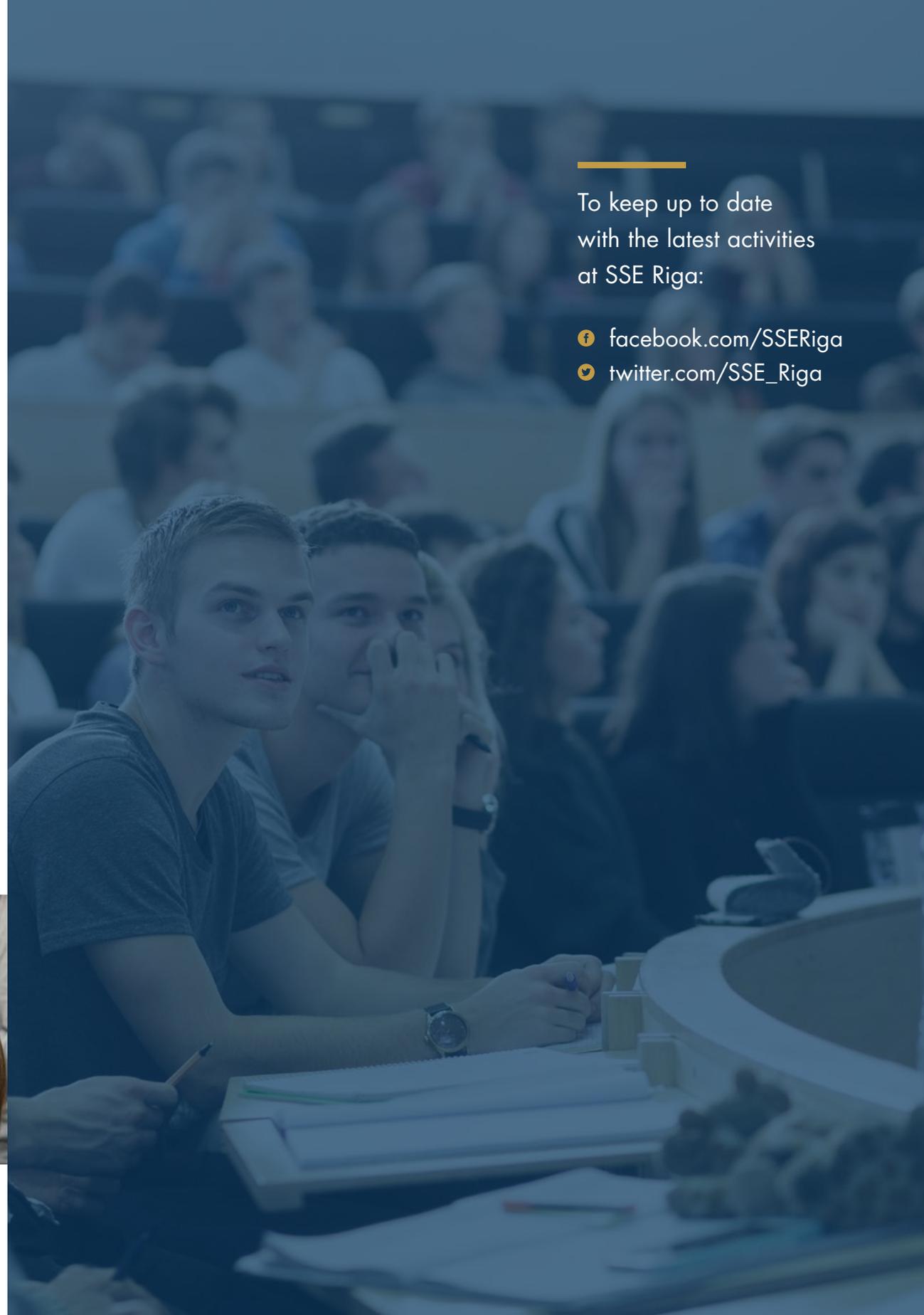
from September till April

Apply for Student Shadow Days, which provide a great opportunity for prospective students to feel the spirit of SSE Riga by talking to students and the administration, touring the campus and attending lectures. An application form is available on the SSE Riga website.



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