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TERM DATES (for 2026–27)

Winter 2026	January 5–March 15, 2026	
Spring 2026	March 9–June 28, 2026	
Summer 2026	June 29–September 6, 2026	(in the Summer term MBA only)
Fall 2026	August 31–December 20, 2026	
Winter 2027	January 4–March 14, 2027	
Spring 2027	March 8–June 27, 2027	
Summer 2027	June 28–September 5, 2027	(in the Summer term MBA only)
Fall 2027	August 30–December 19, 2027	

All term dates include the mandatory orientation and exam periods. Late arrivals or early departures are not permitted, except in cases of visa delays. Students are required to stay for the entire term.

Open for incoming exchange students:

MBA:	Fall I Winter I Spring I Summer
MSc Management:	Fall I Winter I Spring
MSc Entrepreneurship:	Fall I Winter I Spring
MSc Finance:	Fall I Winter I Spring

EXCHANGE APPLICATION

Nomination by the exchange coordinator of the partner school via email at friederike.solga@hhl.de is required!

Online application: apply.hhl.de After the successful online application, HHL will send out the admission documents by email to the students. These documents will contain all information and forms required for your exchange. It will also contain an official letter of acceptance (required for issuing a student visa).

Application deadline: For non-EU-citizens: 4 months prior the requested start of the exchange period (EU/US-citizens: 3 months).



EXPECTED ARRIVAL DATE

Latest day of arrival should be 1 day prior to the start of the Orientation (incl. in the dates above). **We do not accept latecomers, except for visa delays!**

COURSE RESTRICTIONS

MBA students coming for an exchange term may take courses from both the MBA and MSc programs. However, MBA courses may be restricted to exchange students who are enrolled in an MBA program at their home institution.

HHL reserves the right to decide on eligibility for MBA courses individually, based on specific requirements such as prior knowledge and work experience.

Students enrolled in consecutive programs (typically 4–5 year European programs leading to the equivalent of a Master's degree) are welcome to join the MSc program if they are in their final year.

VISA

A **student visa** is required; students entering with a tourist visa cannot be admitted. In addition, proof of health insurance with unlimited coverage is required (this can be obtained in Germany). Please note that visa processing times can take up to three months or longer at the German consulate, please start the process as early as possible.

HOUSING

HHL does not provide student dormitories. Limited dormitory spaces throughout the city of Leipzig are available through the Student Union (*Studentenwerk Leipzig*). If you are interested, please contact the Student Union directly: studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/housing. Please apply as early as possible, as dormitory places are in high demand.

Private/shared apartments: Leipzig offers a wide range of private housing options. Some apartments are fully furnished, while others are not. Recommended neighborhoods close to campus include: Zentrum, Zentrum-Süd, Zentrum-West, Mitte, Lindenau, Südvorstadt, and Plagwitz. The most popular website for shared apartments is www.wg-gesucht.de.

Temporary accommodation: For the first few nights in Leipzig—especially if arriving late in the day—we recommend staying in a hostel, hotel, or AirBnB. Please book in advance, as hostels are often fully booked.



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HEALTH INSURANCE

Upon enrollment, all students are required to present proof of coverage by a German statutory health insurance provider or an exemption issued by one. Students can already apply for membership online with a **German statutory health insurance provider** from their home country. A German address and European bank account are not required at this stage.

Students from the EU/EEA or the UK

Students in possession of a **European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)**, a **Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC)** (UK), or eligibility through a social security agreement with Germany must obtain an **electronic confirmation** from a German statutory health insurance provider stating that they are exempt from German insurance requirements and will remain covered by their home country's health system. Students can upload their EHIC/GHIC via the following link to request this confirmation: [Confirmation of insurance for enrolment at university](#)

Students from non-EU countries

Students from countries outside the EU must have valid health insurance coverage from a German statutory health insurance provider for the entire duration of their studies in Germany. They can apply for membership online from their home country. A German address and European bank account are not required at this stage.

Students who hold private international health insurance may be exempt from the German statutory insurance requirement, provided that the insurance meets the following conditions:

- Comprehensive coverage for both outpatient and inpatient treatment
- No benefit limits (e.g., no upper reimbursement caps)
- Annual deductible does not exceed €5,000
- Repatriation is not mandatory but strongly recommended

The private insurance policy must be reviewed and confirmed by a German statutory health insurance provider via the following link:

[Confirmation of insurance for enrolment at university](#)

After the verification, students will either receive an exemption or be required to obtain additional insurance coverage in Germany.



APPROXIMATE LIVING COSTS

Around EUR 800-1200 per month – non-EU students must show financial proof of EUR 934 per month for living costs (together with the visa application).

- **Housing:** around EUR 280–600 per month
- **Meals:** lunch for students in the cafeteria between EUR 3.00 and 6.00
- **Textbooks:** around EUR 50 for the semester
- **Entertainment:** highly variable
- **Health Insurance:** EUR 140 per month
- **Student Union fee:** around EUR 250 for the semester (required, subject to changes)
- **Transportation:** Included in the Student Union fee (public tram / bus)
- **Tuition fees:** Students have to pay to their home university

Codes for application:

- **For US-students:** HHL's FAFSA-Code is G38183
HHL's Facility Code at the US Dpt. of Veterans Affairs is 3-1-0003-80
- **For EU Erasmus:** HHL's Erasmus Code is DLeipzig09

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- Exchange students are recommended to do 20 credits during a regular term. We require a minimum of 15 credits and allow a maximum of 30 credits.
Only on request of the home university will exchange students be allowed to overload or underload our minimum/maximum limits.
- German on survival level is recommended (not required).
German language courses will be offered to all incoming exchange students on three levels:
 - ✓ A1/A2
 - ✓ B1
 - ✓ Business German
- **Fluency in English** to follow courses successfully and complete the coursework is mandatory!
 - ✓ Language of Instruction is English only
 - ✓ HHL requires a minimum TOEFL 90 or IELTS 7.0 (not older than 2 years)
 - ✓ **Exceptions:** Native English speakers coming from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, UK, USA or students having the undergraduate degree from one of these countries
 - ✓ **Partner Universities** having a sound internal testing system for English, that prefer to use their internal testing methodology instead of the required TOEFL, please contact Friederike Solga at friederike.solga@hhl.de by the nomination deadline.



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COURSES

Your students are free to choose courses from three different degrees: Master in Management, Master in Finance, MBA and Master in Entrepreneurship.

HHL offers a variety of subjects in:

- ✓ Accounting
- ✓ Finance
- ✓ Strategy
- ✓ Marketing
- ✓ Logistics
- ✓ Entrepreneurship
- ✓ International Management
- ✓ Macroeconomics
- ✓ Microeconomics

CLASS SIZE

- Average class size: 23
- Ratio professor/students: 1:15

CLASS PROFILES

Fulltime MBA:

- Average age: 29
- Age range: 25–45
- Average work experience: 5.5 years
- Educational background: 26% Business Studies, 20% Engineering, 17% Economics, 14% Liberal Arts, 10% Natural Arts, 8% Others, 5% Law
- Average GMAT: 640
- Number of international students: 70-80%
- Average number of countries represented: 15

Fulltime MSc:

- Average age: 24
- Age range: 21–27
- Average work experience: 1.5 years
- Educational background: 27% Business Studies, 22% Business Administration, 22% International Business Studies/Management, 11% Economics, 6% Logistics Management, 6% Commerce, 6% Business Engineering
- Average GMAT: 640



ASSESSMENT AND GRADING

All subjects include different forms of assessment, such as class exercises, assignments, quizzes, tests or examinations. Individual students are, ultimately, responsible for meeting all course requirements.

German System	ECTS System	Explanation
≤ 1,1	A (best 10%)	outstanding
≤ 1,4	B (next 25%)	very good
≤ 1,7	C (next 30%)	good
≤ 2,3	D (next 25%)	satisfactory
≤ 4,0	E (next 10%)	pass
> 4,0	Fx	fail (second exam allowed)
> 4,0	F	fail (second exam not allowed)
	P	Grades not awarded

In order to assure all of our students the highest level of education, HHL requires all students to sign an Honor Code, which addresses academic integrity, respectful conduct, amongst other topics. HHL takes this code seriously and holds its students accountable to it.

KEY ATTRACTIONS OF HHL

- HHL has the right by the government to award the academic title PhD
- Accreditation by AACSB (one out of eleven universities in Germany)
- Member of gbsn, efmd, CLADEA and CEEMAN
- Rated No. 1 in Germany for Business Administration
- High standard with 30 to 40 students per semester out of more than 1,000 inquiries
- Highly international with 140 partners worldwide plus an international composition of the student body and faculty
- Attractive environment in a dynamic student city



STUDENT SERVICES AVAILABLE

- **ORIENTATION:** Orientation is compulsory for all students coming on exchange (One week in Fall, Spring and one day in Winter; dates included in the academic calendar above).
 - **COUNSELING:** Counselling service and access to HHL's Career service.
 - **STUDENT CLUBS:** There are several student clubs run by the student body – have a look at our website.
 - **ASSISTANCE:** All incoming exchange students will have assistance by **the International Committee**. This club organizes several activities, cultural events and tours within Germany for the guest students.
 - **IT SERVICES:** Exchange students will have access to all IT facilities including a personal HHL e-mail address.
 - **LIBRARY:** is open to students and staff 24 hours a day. Containing some 15,000 volumes, it provides a wide range of basic literature and reference works for your course as well as specialist literature on current research topics. In addition, the library subscribes to some 200 national and international periodicals and newspapers. The entire stock is catalogued on the Libero library system, which is known for its efficiency and user friendliness. Research into the library's catalogue can be carried out both within and outside HHL's network using a WEBOPAC.
In addition, our students have access to the library of the public university and to the "Deutsche Bibliothek". This library is unique in Germany, the collection consists of all what was ever printed in German, starting in 1913.
- SPORTS CENTRE:** Leipzig Graduate School of Management is sharing the campus with the sport's school of the public university. Our students can sign up to use some offeres offered by the public university. For program details, please check at <http://www.uni-leipzig.de/sport/>
- **24 HOUR UNIVERSITY:** All facilities are accessible for students 24/7.