

# **Indian School of Business**

# **Exchange Programme Fact Sheet 2016-2017**

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#### **About ISB**

Indian School of Business (ISB) is a global business school offering world-class management education across its two campuses – Hyderabad and Mohali, India. ISB has grown at a rapid pace over the fourteen years since its inception and already has several notable accomplishments to its credit – it is the youngest school ever to consistently rank among the top Global MBA programmes, the first institution in South Asia to receive the prestigious AACSB accreditation, one of the largest providers of Executive Education in Asia and the most research productive Indian management institution. A vibrant pool of research – oriented resident faculty, strong academic associates with leading global B-schools and the backing of an influential board, have helped ISB fast emerge as a premier global business school in the emerging markets.

The Indian School of Business (ISB) has academic alliances with the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, London Business School (LBS) and MIT Sloan School of Management and The Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, Tufts University. This association brings in the best of global management practices and thinking into the ISB curriculum.

## **One School, Two Campuses**

Indian School of Business (ISB) has two state-of-the-art campuses, one in Hyderabad and a new campus in Mohali, which welcomed almost 200 students in April 2012. The Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP) is concurrently delivered across both the campuses. The school follows a unified process for admissions and placements. So students are assured of the same learning irrespective of which campus you study in. Both the campuses provide world-class academic and residential facilities that help create a perfect balance between the rigours of intense learning and enriching campus life.

It is mandatory for students who are coming on exchange to ISB for two terms to be a part of one term at Hyderabad campus and one term at Mohali campus.

#### Class size

There are about 558 students enrolled for Hyderabad campus and 253 students for Mohali campus for the PGP programme.

#### **Application Deadlines 2016/2017**

Term 5: July 31, 2016

Term 6: Aug 31, 2016

Term 7: Sep 30, 2016

Term 8: Oct 31, 2016

#### **Required Documents**

Nomination form duly filled along with the resume, USD 100 towards the registration fee

#### Study programme

Courses at ISB are combined to offer students the following six concentrations or majors for specialization:

- Finance
- Entrepreneurship
- Information and Technology Management
- Operations Management
- Strategic Marketing
- Strategy and Leadership

ISB also offer courses in Industry specialization:

- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Public Policy
- Infrastructure

The Indian School of Business (ISB) offers around 80 electives that help students build on their interests.

**Academic/Experience Requirements:** Exchange students should have completed basic/core courses before coming on exchange.

Note: Prerequisite requirements for individual courses, if any will be mentioned in the course outline.

**Full-time Workload:** Exchange students at ISB can take a minimum of 2 courses and a maximum of 5 courses per term. There are 10 sessions for each course. Each session is of two hours, total 20 contact hours per course.

**Attendance:** 100% attendance. It is compulsory for exchange students to reach the campus at least two days before the term begins and they are required to stay on campus till their term ends (including exams).

**Note:** Exchange students should adhere to the exam schedule, exam dates can't be changed and to the rules and regulations of the International Exchange Office.

**Language of Instruction:** All the courses are offered in English. It is required that our exchange students are proficient in English so that they may keep up with their class discussions and participation.

**Learning Expectations:** The programme is rigorous and challenging, but it encourages learning beyond classroom instruction. Students learn not just from the faculty and peers, but also from successful industry leaders and entrepreneurs who frequently visit the campus. Individual assignments, group assignments, midterm exams, class participation and a final exam are usually part of the course evaluation. ISB hosts a number of events, workshops & competitions on campus.

**Grading:** The grading system is on a 4 point scale, using letter grades, with an "A" = 4.0 points, "A-" = 3.5 points, "B" = 3.0 points, "B -" = 2.5 points, "C" = 2.0 points, "D" = 1.0 points, "F" = 0 points.

**Exams:** Each term usually has a midterm exam in the middle of the term and an end term exam towards the end of the term.

**Language requirement:** All the courses are exclusively in English language. Therefore, a good knowledge of English is a must.

Language courses: No formal language courses are offered.

## Term Dates for the Academic year 2016-2017

ISB TERM DATES	START DATE	END DATE
Term 5	October 10, 2016	November 20, 2016
Term 6	November 21, 2016	December 29, 2016
Term 7	January 9, 2017	February 16, 2017
Term 8	February 27, 2017	April 9, 2017

It is compulsory for exchange students to reach the campus at least two days before the term begins and they are required to stay on campus till their term ends (including exams).

# Facilities and Services:

On Campus accommodation at Hyderabad and Mohali or off campus accommodation: ISB campus has an Academic Centre, Student Villages (residential housing), cafeteria, café, swimming pool, modern and fully equipped recreation centre, lecture theatres (classrooms), Learning Resource Centre (library with computer room), Bank, ATM, Wellness Centre, mail room, travel desk, cab desk, bookstore and convenience store.

- Accommodation on-campus is limited and will be allotted on first-come, first serve basis.
- All apartments of the campus have appliances, furniture, A/C, cable TV, high speed internet, filtered water and electric utilities.
- The students will have to bring their own towels and toiletries.
- In case the students do not get accommodation on campus, the exchange office will assist the students in finding suitable accommodation (serviced apartments) closer to the School
- Mobile connection and Currency exchange Please get in touch with the exchange coordinator for local mobile connection and currency exchange.
- Housecleaning service is provided in all accommodations.
- Laundry service is optional.

# **Registration at ISB:**

• 100\$ will be charged as a registration fee at ISB for International Exchange Students.

#### **Expenses**

#### Academic:

• Books/Course Materials: Course materials are provided for all courses. Text books have to be purchased which would be available at the book store on campus.

# **Living Expenses:**

• Room rent for shared accommodation is INR 25000 per term plus 14.5% tax (400 USD approximately)

- Room rent for family accommodation is INR 39375 per term plus 14.5% (700 USD approximately)
- Accommodation is made available to students one/two days prior to term begins. However, if you wish to arrive a little earlier to the programme commencement, please write and check with the exchange coordinator for accommodation availability.
- · Electricity charges as per usage
- Laundry charges are campus specific
- Vegetarian food in the cafeteria INR 100 per meal approximately (2 USD approximately)
- Non-vegetarian food in the cafeteria INR 200 per meal approximately (3.50 USD approximately)

#### Other Expenses:

- Travel: Students will need to take care of their travel cost when travelling to another campus.
- Transportation: Cabs within city will cost about 15 USD approx. for half a day.

#### **Health insurance:**

Exchange students should have a valid health insurance that covers him/her while in India also. Yellow Fever certificate is a must for African nationals

#### Visa:

The students will be issued a visa recommendation letter to support their visa application. Students are required to obtain a valid student visa from their nearest Indian Embassy.

# Foreigners' Regional Registration Office (FRRO):

An exchange student with a student visa needs to register with the Foreigners' Regional Registration office (FRRO) if a student:

- possesses a visa for more than 180 days
- has been endorsed a visa with a condition of FRRO registration.
- needs to extend the visa duration
- is a citizen of Pakistan, Afghanistan & Bangladesh.

For more information refer to the link: http://indianfrro.gov.in/frro/

# **Documents required for FRRO registration:**

- Bonafide certificate and residence proof letter. ISB will provide these documents for the registration.
- Original and photocopy of the passport with all the visas on the passport.
- 2 passport size photos
- Printout of the registration acknowledgement form after the student complete filling up the form online.
- Yellow Fever certificate for African nationals

**Student Services:** Buddy programme is offered to international exchange students to help them integrate better in to the ISB community. ISB welcome exchange students to participate in activities organized by all student professional clubs and social clubs.

**Orientation:** Orientation session is conducted on the first Wednesday of term. As a part of the Orientation, City tour is also organized for exchange students.

**Citizenship Requirements:** As the exchange programme is also meant to provide a cultural learning experience, we respectfully request that our partner schools do not send Indian citizens to Indian School of Business on exchange. However, this may be subject to change on case to case basis.

**Internships:** ISB doesn't have an internship programme.

**Alumni Status:** Alumni Status is provided to exchange students (as per the alumni policy guidelines)

**Career services:** Career services include Mock interview conducted by an in-house panel, consisting of industry specialists, resume review, one-on-one interaction sessions with the Learning and Development (L&D) team will be allowed for exchange students while they are on campus for exchange.

**Student Clubs:** The wide variety of student clubs reflects diversity of the Indian School of Business (ISB) community. ISB has 17 professional clubs and 10 social clubs. Professional clubs are a platform for students to interact with **alumni** and professionals in their fields of interest. This helps students build formal and informal networks while exploring career opportunities. Social clubs emphasis on lending an atmosphere of creativity and fun to campus life. The International club is a student club at the Indian School of Business comprising of Indian and non-Indian nationals, keen on enhancing the international experience within ISB.

For more information refer to the link: http://www.isb.edu/pgp/student-life

**Spouse and Families Association:** Families are an integral part of the Indian School of Business (ISB) community and we take special care to make family life comfortable and fun. The Spouses and Families Association (SFA) provides social opportunities for spouses and families of ISB students. From exploring job opportunities for spouses to organizing social, cultural and outreach initiatives, SFA has a wide range of activities. Events on festivals and holidays are also largely organized by the SFA on a community level, thus creating a sense of family for all students.

#### **Exchange Coordinator Services:**

The exchange coordinator, in consultation with the Academic Services Office, acts as the main contact person for all the exchange students.

# **About Hyderabad:**

The Indian School of Business (ISB) campus lies on a beautiful site with large boulders, open fields, landscaped areas and lush greenery and is located in Gachibowli. Hyderabad is one of India's most important economic centers and is also gaining much importance in the IT sector.

The city is known for its booming IT & IT Enabled Services, Pharmaceuticals and Entertainment industries. Many call centers, Business process outsourcing (BPO) firms, dealing with IT and other technological

services were set up making it one of the major regions for call center setups in India. The development of a township with related technological infrastructure called HITEC city prompted several IT and ITES companies to set up operations in the city. An aggressive promotion of growth in this area has led civic boosters to call the city Cyberabad. The growth in the IT sector and opening of Rajiv Gandhi International Airport attracted activity in other economic sectors like real estate and infrastructure, healthcare in the 2000s. The city has constantly kept pace with the latest trends and advancements in technology and has acquired the status of a 'cyber city'. The 20th International World Wide Web Conference took place in Hyderabad.

Hyderabad is a city with a perfect blend of the old and the new. A city steeped in culture, whose landscape is dotted with monuments dating to centuries ago such as Golconda fort, Charminar, Chow Mohalla Complex etc. The city has an easy access to other interesting destinations such as Bangalore, Goa, Pondicherry and others.

# **About Chandigarh / Mohali:**

Indian School of Business, Mohali campus is located in Knowledge city which is around 14 kms from heart of the city. Chandigarh is a city and union territory in India that serves as the capital of two states, Punjab and Haryana. The name Chandigarh translates as "The Fort of Chandi" and is derived from an ancient temple called Chandi Mandir, devoted to the Hindu goddess Chandi, in the city. It is also referred to as The City Beautiful due to its beautiful surroundings, central grid of gardens, each dedicated to different species of flora.

The city of Chandigarh was the first planned city in India and is known internationally for its architecture and urban design. The city has projects designed by architects such as Le Corbusier, Pierre Jeanneret, Jane Drew, and Maxwell Fry. Chandigarh is close to many tourist destinations such as Shimla, Manali, Palampur, Dharamshala, Dalhousie etc

# a) Geography and Climate

Chandigarh is located near the foothills of the Shivalik range of the Himalayas in northwest India. It covers an area of approximately 114 km² and shares its borders with the states of Haryana in the east and Punjab in the north, west and south. The surrounding districts are of Mohali, Patiala and Roopnagar (Ropar) in Punjab and Panchkula and Ambala in Haryana. The boundary of the state of Himachal Pradesh is also minutes away from its north border. Chandigarh, Mohali and Panchkula are collectively referred to as the Tricity.

Chandigarh has a humid subtropical climate characterized by a seasonal rhythm: very hot summers, mild winters, unreliable rainfall and great variation in temperature (-1 °C to 41.2 °C). The average annual rainfall is 1110.7 mm. The city also receives occasional winter rains from the west.

# b) Connectivity and Transportation

The Union Territory of Chandigarh is well served by an excellent network of roads. The National Highways No. 21 (Ambala-Kinnaur) and 22 (Chandigarh-Leh) are the chief road arteries linking Chandigarh with the rest of the country.

The Tricity has a new modern 500 passenger Airport terminal and is all set for much better domestic air connectivity. Few International flights are also expected to commence. Currently there are direct flights only to Delhi, Mumbai and Jammu. Flights for Hyderabad and Bangalore do a brief stopover at Delhi. Delhi by train is 3.5 hours away and by road is 4-6 hours depending on the time of the day.