



UBC International MBA

A world-class Canadian MBA, delivered in Shanghai by UBC faculty

November 2026 Entry

20-MONTH PART-TIME PROGRAM

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imba.sjtu.edu.cn

In collaboration with the Antai College of Economics and Management at Shanghai Jiao Tong University since 2001





Discover the UBC International MBA

Rankings

Top 5%

Universities Worldwide
(*Academic Ranking of World Universities 2024*)

#40

University in the World
(*QS World University Rankings 2026*)

UBC Sauder: A leading global business school

The UBC Sauder School of Business is one of the world's leading academic business schools. Located in Vancouver, Canada, UBC Sauder is strategically situated at the dynamic crossroads of the international marketplace to provide a global business perspective. Accredited by AACSB, you can expect a world-class business education.

Elevate your career with a part-time Canadian MBA taught in Shanghai by world-renowned UBC Sauder faculty

In partnership with Antai College of Economics and Management at Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU), UBC Sauder's Robert H. Lee Graduate School offers an International MBA (IMBA) program taught entirely by UBC Sauder's internationally renowned faculty. The curriculum is taught 100% in English, covers advanced business and management techniques and is an accredited joint program approved by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China.

Learn on the weekend. Apply your knowledge during the week.

You're an expert in your field, but you may not have had the opportunity to fully learn how an entire organization comes together. The curriculum is designed to give you a comprehensive understanding of the broader picture of business, so you can immediately add value to your organization and clients. The program is designed for you to gain business insights on the weekend so they can be applied during your weekday job.

Class schedule

Typically, courses are delivered at the SJTU campus over a half day on Friday and two full days on Saturday and Sunday, every three to four weeks. To see a sample weekend schedule, please [visit our website](#).

Expand your expertise. Elevate your career.

Regardless of what industry you work in, an understanding of how different business functions work together is extremely valuable. Upon graduation, you will be an expert in your role and have a holistic perspective on global business.

Program structure

Foundation courses

Advanced courses

Integrated courses

Opening residency
Vancouver residency
Capstone residency



UBC IMBA curriculum

Our curriculum builds the strategic, analytical, and leadership mindset of global decision-makers. As the program progresses, you will find yourself thinking more and more like an experienced leader and making critical decisions that impact the success of a company.

The program begins with eight foundation courses:

Foundation courses

Business Strategy

Foundations In Accounting I

Foundations Of Managerial Economics

Operations & Logistics

Marketing

Application Of Statistics In Management

Introductory Finance

Foundations In Accounting II



Capstone residency

Part celebration, part competition, Capstone is the culmination of all your hard work in the UBC IMBA. The week will begin with the last advanced course in the program and finish off with an enriching two-day business simulation. This is when you will work alongside – and compete against – your fellow UBC IMBA classmates who, by this point in the program, will have become your friends.

A community of excellence

Across every discipline, faculty at UBC Sauder are among the very best in the world. They're not just academics, they're also business leaders who, as in-demand consultants, apply their sought-after expertise to the real world.

#45 University in the World
(*Times Higher Education*
World University Rankings 2025)

140+ faculty from over 25 countries



Mahesh Nagarajan
Senior Associate Dean, Faculty Professor, Operations and Logistics Division
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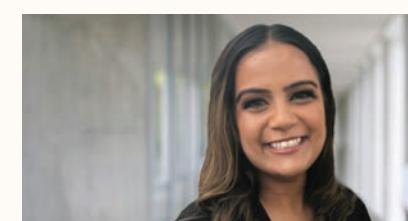
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Also serving as Canada Research Chair in Operations Excellence and Business Analytics
Teaches: Process Fundamentals

Put the world on your resume

The UBC IMBA is celebrated for its international perspective, and as one of North America's most diverse schools, UBC Sauder attracts students from around the world. Giving you a global perspective on business matters to us, which is why we provide opportunities for our students to gain an international experience.



Exclusively taught by UBC Sauder professors

The UBC IMBA courses are taught in English by UBC Sauder professors. Classes in the UBC IMBA are dynamic discussions where professors and students share their rich experiences and insights.



Vancouver residency

For these two action-packed weeks, you will fly to the beautiful UBC Vancouver campus where you will enhance your business acumen through full-time in-class learning and case studies. Plus, you will further your professional development through interactive workshops, cultural events, and programs.



Global Network for Advanced Management

UBC Sauder is the only Canadian member of the prestigious Global Network for Advanced Management, spearheaded by the Yale School of Management. In this optional component of the program, you have the opportunity to earn a Master of Advanced Management degree from Yale, gaining access to international learning, networking, and collaboration opportunities with business schools around the world, both in-person and online.



Summer Study Abroad

Study business at one of our global partner schools. Take on new perspectives and absorb different cultural approaches to business. Past students have pursued summer studies at ESSEC Business School, Cologne Business School, Vienna University of Economics and Business, EDHEC Business School, and many more.

For the full list of our global partner schools, visit our [website](#).

Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, United Kingdom
IE Business School, Spain
HEC Paris, France
ESMT Berlin, Germany
and 27 more!

Learn from UBC Sauder professors in Shanghai for 20 months and travel to Vancouver for your two-week residency experience.

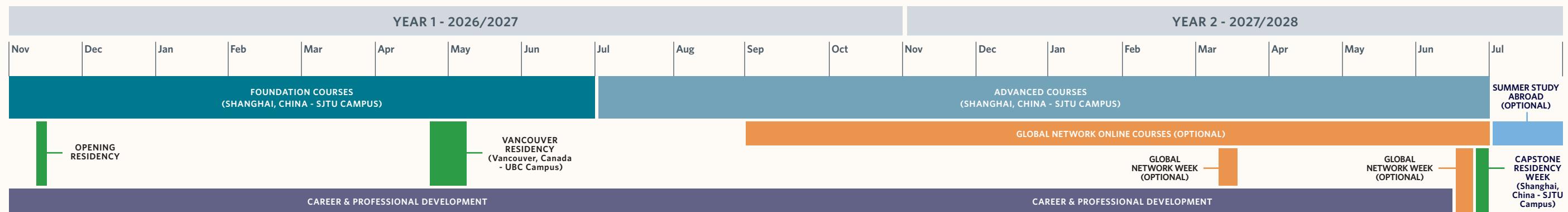
UBC Sauder School of Business, Vancouver, Canada

Yale School of Management, New Haven, United States



UBC IMBA

program journey*



* Program schedule may be subject to change

Foundation courses: There are 8 foundation courses, providing a strong background in business and management techniques.

Advanced courses: Following your foundation courses, you will complete a total of thirteen advanced courses that build on the curriculum you have just learned.

Vancouver residency: This intensive two-week residency takes place at the UBC Vancouver campus and includes a series of lectures, case studies, and professional development sessions.

Career & professional development: Career management programming includes workshops and guest speakers with optional executive coaching available both locally in Shanghai and as part of the Vancouver residency.

Global Network for Advanced Management (optional): Optional study visits to other member schools of the Global Network or enroll in virtual, for-credit classes to expand your international engagement.

Capstone residency week: A five-day residency where you complete your final advanced course and apply your knowledge and skills to a group business simulation.

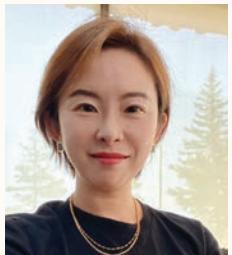
Summer study abroad: Optional for-credit exchange with select partner schools.



Where are they now?

Ranked as the #1 University in North America for International Outlook*, we take pride in our UBC IMBA graduates who move on to positions all over the globe.

*Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2024



Elyna Jin
UBC IMBA Class of 2014

Senior MillerKnoll Performance System Manager, MillerKnoll Inc. Toronto, Canada

"UBC Sauder's IMBA was a game changer for me. It was a great exploration which brought me from engineering onto a journey of managerial consulting and further along to leadership. There were always inspirations, exchanges and support among program professors, staff and peers. It was an incredibly fun and enjoyable learning environment!"



Pierre-Etienne Leers
UBC IMBA Class of 2018

Group Lean Manager, Stow Group Ghent, Belgium

"You grow in the program. Your mind starts changing while understanding how the total picture of a business works. When you learn something new in class on the weekend, you can apply it right away at work."



Ignacio Tornero
UBC IMBA Class of 2019

Founder-CEO, East Consulting Santiago, Chile

"It's very unique combining top North American education with one of the most dynamic economic centres in Asia. You are definitely more prepared to face challenges, meet people from different industries and understand your client's needs. I was able to apply those tools into my daily job."



Vivian Cao
UBC IMBA Class of 2013

VP People, Commercial, Rio Tinto Singapore

"It really pushed me to look at the big picture and think like a CEO. The professors are top notch with real-world business experiences. There are very few part-time programs that can provide such quality education."



Eric Wang
UBC IMBA Class of 2015

Head of Group Finance, New Frontier Group Co-CEO, YDCare Home Healthcare Shanghai, China

"During my amazing journey at UBC Sauder, I started to realize what being a lifelong learner really means. This program allows you to broaden your experiences and connections while developing and fostering a network of friends that collectively help you navigate opportunities and challenges throughout your life."



Cheryl Zhou
UBC IMBA Class of 2020

Director, Associate Global Brand Lead of Cardiovascular, Merck Beijing, China

"The UBC IMBA program offered me a unique experience. It enriched my knowledge from different perspectives and industries, advanced my career and helped me foster valuable connections and lifelong friendships with professors, faculty and classmates."

Your IMBA career journey

Our team knows what today's employers are looking for and offers a wide range of programs, services, and resources to help you map out your career. Starting with self-awareness about your career aspirations, we will guide you to navigate the business landscape and develop the skills you need to achieve your goals.

Examples of employers of UBC IMBA graduates

Alibaba Group
Apple
Bosch
Deloitte
DuPont
Ferrari
Johnson & Johnson
Lilly
Merck
Porsche
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Ralph Lauren

Rolex
Siemens
Schneider Electric
Tencent
ZEGA
ZEISS



Career development workshops for industry professionals

You are here to build on and enhance your career and UBC Sauder's Hari B. Varshney Business Career Centre is here to support you. Our team offers workshops and resources including events with alumni to help you map out next steps.

The programming is supported and complemented by access to Executive Coaching, based locally in China, and further consultation is available with our Canadian based Coach through tailored workshops. Your career journey is unique and the UBC Sauder team is ready to help you move forward.

1 Presentation Skills:
Communicating Effectively and Confidently

3 Utilising Strengths through
Gallup's Strengthfinder

2 The Art and Science of Building
Strong Relationships and Networks

4 Emotional Intelligence at Work - Using RocheMartin's Emotional Capital Report®

Career changes

Start of the program

Medical Director at Eli Lilly

Head of Sales and Customer Technical Sales at a global mining and metals firm

By the end of the program

Vice President at Lilly Asia Ventures

Senior Consultant at McKinsey & Company

Promotions

From

Regional Development Manager, APAC at LMI Technologies

Talent Manager, APAC at a global electronic manufacturing company

Senior Manager at Ascantage

To

Managing Director, Greater China at LMI Technologies

HR Business Partner, Business and Technology Development, China at SKF Group

Associate Investment Director at Ascantage

Your classmates

The UBC IMBA is built upon collaboration, just like the workplace. This means you will share ideas, complete projects, give presentations, and gain insights from those who are pursuing the same goals as you.

For the next 20 months, you'll be surrounded by individuals who are hand-picked through a rigorous admissions process to challenge, inspire, and drive you to take your career to the next level.

Here is a sample of the profile and background of our current class:

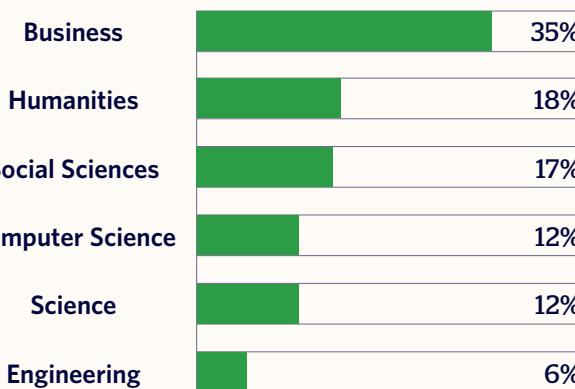
UBC IMBA Class of 2026*

4 **34** **10 years** **41%** **59%** **96%** **4%**

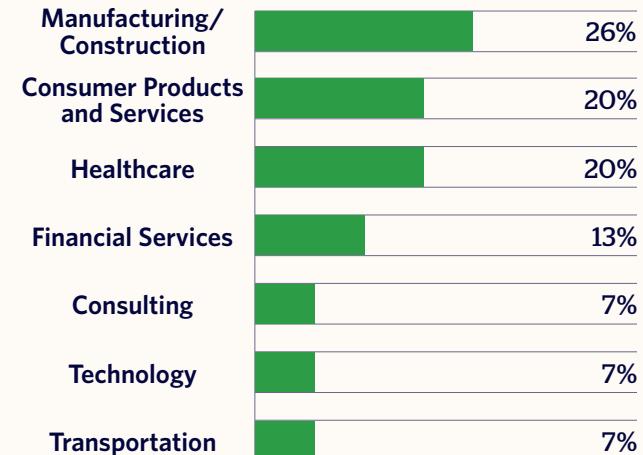
Languages spoken Average age Average work experience Male Female Chinese nationality International

*Data per the November 2024 entering class

Undergraduate degree majors:



Work experience by industry:



Our admissions process

The UBC IMBA selection process is rigorous. We deliberately keep our cohort small – with an intake of 30 to 50 students every year – to help foster a more collegial and personal environment. Applicants are carefully selected against competitive requirements to ensure that, once in the program, you learn from peers who have demonstrated vision, leadership, and experience.

Step 1

Review our admission requirements & apply online

- To be considered for the UBC IMBA Degree, it is recommended that you review our admission requirements and ensure you understand the components of the application at: sauder.ubc.ca/imba
- Create an account on our website and get started on your application.

Step 2

Submit documentation

Applications will be reviewed once we have received copies of all required documents and references, and verified your test scores. Please note that if you submit unofficial documents at the time of application, all official documents must be received by the Admissions office no later than October 30, 2026.

- ✓ Transcripts/degree certificates/translation
- ✓ Letters of reference (electronic)
- ✓ English Proficiency Exam (required for applicants whose degrees are from a university in which English was not the official language of instruction)

Step 3

Await results

- All applicants considered for admission will be contacted by the Robert H. Lee Graduate School for an interview either in person or by video call.
- If successful, you will receive a letter of admission from UBC Sauder's Robert H. Lee Graduate School.
- Accept your offer! Get ready to join the class, starting in November 2026.

The UBC IMBA at a glance

Program information

Program dates

November 2026 – June 2028

Location & schedule

Classes take place every three to four weeks at Shanghai Jiao Tong University plus a 2-week residency at the UBC Sauder School of Business in Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Fees

International student tuition: \$77,565 USD*

* The university may adjust fees at any time with limited notice, subject to UBC Board of Governors' approval.

Scholarships

1st Early Entrance Scholarship: \$5,000 USD

Application deadline: March 31, 2026

2nd Early Entrance Scholarship: \$3,000 USD

Application deadline: June 30, 2026

Merit Scholarships: \$2,000 - \$10,000 USD

- GMAT (GRE/GRK) Scholarship

- Responsible Business & Community Spirit Scholarship

- International Talent Scholarships

- Women in Business Leadership Scholarships

- Dean's Excellence in Diversity Award

Entrance Award in Entrepreneurship and Innovation:
\$5,000 CAD

Application deadlines

1st Round: March 31, 2026

2nd Round: June 30, 2026

Final Round: September 20, 2026

For more information about the application deadlines and scholarships, visit our website: sauder.ubc.ca/imba

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