

2027 Ritsumeikan Business Management Program

RBMP Application Guidelines

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1. Program Schedule

Schedule	RBMP
Program Period	February 12-24, 2027
Term	Approximately 2 weeks
Application Opens	Nov 2, 2026
Application Deadline	Nov 25, 2026
Payment Instructions	Dec 1, 2026
Payment Deadline	Dec 10, 2026
National Holiday During Program	February 23, 2027
Program Starts	February 12, 2027
Program Ends	February 24, 2027

- (1) Minimum enrolment required to run the program: 15 students.
- (2) The planned capacity for 2027 is 40 students. The capacity may be increased after the application deadline depending on the number of applications and program arrangements.
- (3) If the minimum enrolment is not reached, the program may be cancelled. Applicants will be notified before payment instructions are issued.
- (4) The detailed lecture and activity schedule is tentative and subject to change.

2. Program Fee

Program	Program Fee	Accommodation
RBMP	JPY 200,000	Not included. Participants must arrange and pay for their own accommodation.

- (1) Accommodation is not included in the JPY 200,000 program fee. Participants must arrange and pay for their own accommodation.
- (2) Separate accommodation arrangements may be offered to specifically designated institutional groups under a separate written arrangement with Ritsumeikan University. Such arrangements do not apply to applicants under these guidelines.

3. Program Overview

Japan has influenced the world not only through its products, but also through its approaches to management. Over two intensive weeks, participants will explore how Japanese firms compete, organise, produce and innovate in a global setting. The program combines English-taught business lectures with experiential learning and exchange activities with Ritsumeikan students.

Component	Planned Content
Business Lectures	Eight lectures in English by faculty members of the College of Business Administration
Academic Themes	Japanese Economy and Business; Strategic Management; Organisation and Human Resource Management; Emerging Topics
Experiential Learning	Tea ceremony; Hockey experience; Microsoft Base Ritsumeikan; Cup Noodles Museum
Student Exchange	Buddy lunch and collaborative activities with Ritsumeikan students
Campus Activities	Orientation; OIC campus tour; completion ceremony

Final lecture titles, faculty assignments, activity content, times and venues will be announced in the final schedule.

4. Tentative Program Schedule (Subject to Change)

Date	Planned Schedule
Fri., February 12	Meet staff; orientation; OIC campus tour
Sat.-Sun., February 13-14	No scheduled program
Mon., February 15	Business Lecture 1; Buddy Lunch; tea ceremony
Tue., February 16	Business Lectures 2 and 3; hockey experience
Wed., February 17	Business Lecture 4
Thu., February 18	Business Lecture 5; Microsoft Base Ritsumeikan
Fri., February 19	Business Lecture 6
Sat.-Sun., February 20-21	No scheduled program
Mon., February 22	Business Lecture 7; Cup Noodles Museum
Tue., February 23	National holiday - no program
Wed., February 24	Business Lecture 8; completion ceremony

5. Eligibility and Required Information

- (1) International applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a university throughout the entire program period. Overseas high school students are not eligible to apply.
- (2) All required documents and fees must be submitted by the designated deadlines.
- (3) Participants must have sufficient English ability to understand lectures, discussions and program instructions. Japanese language ability is not required.
- (4) Applicants should be ready to participate actively in introductory business and management classes and group activities.
- (5) Applicants must clearly report any health concern, allergy, disability, or physical or mental health condition for which support may be required.
- (6) Participants are responsible for managing their own health before and during the program, including bringing an adequate supply of any medication they regularly take or have been prescribed and seeking appropriate medical care when necessary.
- (7) Applicants who may require specific support should contact the Study Abroad Center before applying. Every request will be considered individually, although specific arrangements cannot be guaranteed.
- (8) Students of Ritsumeikan-affiliated high schools in Japan may also participate through a separate domestic participation route. International participants should therefore be aware that some high school students may take part in the program. Details for affiliated high school students, including eligibility, fee and insurance, will be announced separately.

6. Accommodation

- (1) Participants are responsible for arranging and paying for their own accommodation for the entire stay. Accommodation is not included in the JPY 200,000 program fee.
- (2) Ritsumeikan University may make a separate accommodation arrangement for a specifically designated institutional group. If such an arrangement applies, the details and conditions will be provided directly to that institution in a separate document. It does not create an entitlement to university accommodation for other participants.
- (3) Participants arranging their own accommodation must report the accommodation name, address and contact information by the designated deadline before the Notification of Acceptance is issued.

7. Program Fee Includes

- (1) Eight English-taught business and management lectures.
- (2) Experiential learning and exchange activities listed in the tentative schedule.
- (3) Orientation, OIC campus tour and completion certificate.
- (4) Transportation arranged by the program for selected off-campus activities, if applicable.
- (5) Administrative support for accepted participants during the official program period.
- (6) Travel insurance covering eligible cases of sudden illness or injury during the official program period.
- (7) A visa-support letter for accepted participants who require a visa to enter Japan, after all required application procedures have been completed.
- (8) Access to campus Wi-Fi and a library membership card.

8. Program Fee Does Not Include

- (1) Round-trip travel to Japan, airport pick-up service, meals and ordinary local transportation.
- (2) Accommodation.
- (3) Passport, visa application fees, medical documents and other personal expenses.
- (4) Insurance for early arrival, travel before or after the official program period, personal travel or connecting-flight transit.
- (5) Scholarships or other financial support.

9. Participation and Payment Conditions

- (1) Participants must attend from the first program day through the completion ceremony. Late arrival, early departure and voluntary shortening of participation are not permitted.
- (2) Attendance at all lectures and activities is mandatory. Failure to follow program or university rules may result in removal from the program or loss of access to university facilities.
- (3) Ritsumeikan University academic credits will not be granted, and no academic transcript will be issued. Participants who complete the program will receive a completion certificate.
- (4) Payment will be made through Convera GlobalPay or by bank transfer. A JPY 5,000 service fee will be added when bank transfer is used.
- (5) Payment instructions, including the amount and due date, will be sent only after all required documents have been submitted correctly and the applicant has been accepted. Applicants must not make payment when submitting the application.
- (6) If a participant cancels for any reason after payment, a non-refundable administrative fee of JPY 27,000 will be deducted. In addition, any amounts already paid by Ritsumeikan University to third parties on the participant's behalf and which cannot be recovered will also be non-refundable. Any remaining balance will be refunded.
- (7) Participants should not purchase non-refundable airline tickets until the program and accommodation arrangements have been confirmed.
- (8) By applying, participants confirm that they have read, understood and accepted every eligibility requirement and condition in this document. Claims that a condition was not known, or that travel arrangements were already purchased, will not be accepted as grounds for an exception.

10. Program Website and Contact

Program website: www.rsjprwjp.com

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