# Indian School of Business
Exchange Programme Fact Sheet 2015/2016

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## SCHOOL ADDRESS

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**Web Address:** [http://www.isb.edu/inbound/index.Shtml](http://www.isb.edu/inbound/index.Shtml)
About ISB
Indian School of Business is a premier management institution established in 2001. In a short span of fourteen years, the ISB has successfully pioneered several new trends in management education in India and has established itself as a leading B school across the world. The ISB has a strong pool of research oriented resident faculty and invites high caliber international faculty from reputed B schools to teach in its Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP)/Executive Education Programmes/Post Graduate Programme in management for Senior Executives (PGPMAX)/Management programme for family Business (MFAB) as well as to participate in collaborative research with the resident faculty.

ISB’s vision is to be an internationally top-ranked research driven independent management institution that grooms future leaders for India and the world. The ISB’s distinctiveness stems from its unique origins, its innovative academic programmes and its world-class, yet affordable campus.

The Indian School of Business has close affiliations with our associate schools i.e. the London Business School (LBS), the Fletcher school at Tufts University, MIT Sloan School of Management and founding associate schools i.e. Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania bringing the best of global management practices and thinking into our curriculum.

One School, Two Campuses
The MBA programme will run in parallel at both our campuses as we have set up a second ISB campus at Knowledge City, Mohali. The first academic session at Mohali was in the AY 2012/2013.

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 600 students enrolled for Hyderabad campus and 275 students for Mohali campus for the PGP programme.

Application Deadlines 2015/2016
Term 5: 31st Jul, 2015
Term 6: 31st Aug, 2015
Term 7: 30th Sep, 2015
Term 8: 31st Oct, 2015

Required Documents
Resume & passport size photograph

Study programme
The ISB offers more than 70 electives. Courses are combined to offer you six concentrations or majors for specialization.

- Analytical Finance
- Entrepreneurship
- Information Technology Management
- Operations Management
- Strategic Marketing
- Strategy and Leadership
We also offer courses in Industry specialization:

- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Public Policy
- Infrastructure
- Public Policy

**Language of Instruction:** English

**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.

**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 in each course and each course is 20 contact hours.

**Attendance:** 100% attendance. It is compulsory for 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 are also required to adhere to the exam schedule, exam dates can’t be changed.

**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.
Term Dates for the Academic year 2015/2016:

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Facilities:

On Campus Housing at Hyderabad and Mohali /off campus housing:

Our campus includes the 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

- Limited on-campus housing. It will be given on first-come, first serve basis.
- All apartments of the campus come with appliances, furniture, A/C, cable TV, high speed internet, linen/housecleaning service, 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

Living Expenses:

- Room rent on campus for shared accommodation is INR 23596 per term plus taxes as applicable (400 USD approximately)
- Room rent on campus for family accommodation is INR 39186 per term plus taxes as applicable (700 USD approximately)
- 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)

Academic Expenses:

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

Other Expenses:

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

Health insurance:
We strongly recommend the exchange students to take a health insurance that covers him/her while in India also. Yellow Fever certificate is required for African nationals.

**Visa:**

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

**Registration:**

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
- It is mentioned on the visa
- 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/](http://indianfrro.gov.in/frro/)

**Documents required for FRRO registration:**

- Admission letter/bonafide certificate/residence proof letter which ISB will provide to you with a photograph affixed and attested. You need to carry that letter along for the registration.
- Original and photocopy of the passport and all the visas on the passport.
- 2 passport size photos
- Print 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 integrate better into the ISB community. We 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 start. 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.

**Career services:** Services are provided to students on reciprocal basis.
**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](http://www.isb.edu/pgp/student-life)

**Spouses 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 centres 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.