
MANAGEMENT

Nova SBE and **LUISS**

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The information here applies to DD students for these academic years:

2026/2027

This information applies to Work Project defenses presented in:

2028

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THIS IS A FOUR-SEMESTER PROGRAM

Both Nova SBE and LUISS students spend the

1st year in LUISS and 2nd year in Nova SBE

Number of slots

3 from Nova SBE
from Management or Economics

3 from LUISS
from Management or Economics

Selection

Nova SBE interviews and selects
its own students

LUISS interviews and selects its own
students

Degree awarded at Nova SBE: MSc's in Management or International MSc's in Management

Degree awarded at LUISS: MSc's in Management

**Language of Instruction at
Partner School**

English

STUDY PLAN

YEAR 1 @ LUISS (COMMON FOR ALL LUISS MAJORS)	SEM	ECTS	COURSE/ELEMENT @ NOVA SBE	ECTS
Financial Reporting and Performance Measurement	1	8	Do at LUISS	
Markets, Regulations and Law	1	6	Do at LUISS	
International Economics	2	6	Do at LUISS <i>Development Economics I or II or European Economy</i>	
Advanced Marketing Management	1	8	Do at LUISS waives Nova SBE mandatory course Advanced Marketing	
Research Project Design	1	8	Do at LUISS	
Advanced Corporate Finance	2	6	Do at LUISS waives Nova SBE mandatory course Financial Management	
Corporate Strategy	2	8	Do at LUISS waives Nova SBE mandatory course Strategy or Advanced Strategy	
Managerial Decision Making	2	6	Do at LUISS	
Organizational Design	2	6	Do at LUISS	
Other Activities (tbc)	1-2	4	Valid only for LUISS, will not be transferred to Nova SBE	
Second Language ¹	2	4	Valid only for LUISS, will not be transferred to Nova SBE	
Total year I		70		

YEAR 2 @ NOVA SBE INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP	ECTS	COURSE/ELEMENT @ LUISS	ECTS
Applied Entrepreneurship	7	Elective Abroad	6
Entrepreneurial Finance & Venture Capital	7	Core Abroad	6
HRM or Advanced Topics in HRM	3.5	Elective Abroad	6
+	+		
Statistics II or Statistics III	3.5		
Research Methods in Management	3.5		
Doing Business in China	3.5	Core Abroad	6
+	+		
Doing Business in Emerging Markets	3.5		
Mastering Your Career	2	Project Work	8
+	+		
Modules (1 ECTS each):	2		
• Ethics and Business			
• Sustainability			

¹ Nova Students: they attend Italian in Luiss, unless their mother tongue is Italian (in that case, they can choose one of the following language courses available in Luiss: Italian, French, Spanish, German, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic). Please note that only beginners classes might be offered for Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic.

Work Project	30	Thesis	18
Total year II	65.5	Total year II	50

YEAR 2 @ NOVA SBE	ECTS	COURSE/ELEMENT @ LUISS	ECTS
INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT			
International Marketing Strategy + Customer Relationship Management	7	Core Abroad	6
Elective(s)	7 or 2x3.5	Elective Abroad	6
HRM or Advanced Topics in HRM	3.5	Core Abroad	6
+	+		
Statistics II or Statistics III	3.5		
Research Methods in Management	3.5		
Doing Business in China	3.5	Elective Abroad	6
+	+		
Doing Business in Emerging Markets	3.5		
Mastering Your Career	2	Project Work	8
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Modules (1 ECTS each):	2		
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YEAR 2 @ NOVA SBE	ECTS	COURSE/ELEMENT @ LUISS	ECTS
INDIVIDUAL STUDY PLAN (NO MAJOR)			
Elective(s)	7 or 2x3.5	Elective Abroad	6
Elective(s)	3.5		6
Research Methods in Management	3.5	Elective Abroad	
HRM or Advanced Topics in HRM	3.5	Core Abroad	6
+	+		
Statistics II or Statistics III	3.5		
Doing Business in China	3.5	Core Abroad	6
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**To be awarded the Nova SBE degree, students must complete a minimum of 90 ECTS. Therefore, some courses taken at LUISS can be accredited towards the Nova SBE master's degree to reach that minimum.

WORK PROJECT / THESIS

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	YOUR "WORK PROJECT" AT NOVA SBE	YOUR "THESIS" AT LUISS
TYPE OF PROJECT	Directed Research – individual work only (you have a topic and advisor)	
NUMBER OF PAGES	min. 40 max. 80	min. 40 max. 80
CREDIT EARNED	30 ECTS	Management: 18 ECTS Finance & Economics: 16 ECTS
BOTH NOVA SBE AND LUISS STUDENTS	Develop the project (1 topic) in the 2 nd year, with one advisor from Nova SBE and one advisor from LUISS, incorporating the feedback from both advisors.	
DELIVER THE FINAL DOCUMENT	at Nova SBE according to Nova's calendar	at LUISS around 3 weeks before the defense session
	Final document must be submitted to both schools – each submission will follow each schools' guidelines.	
YOU WILL HAVE TWO DEFENSES	You will defend your thesis at Nova SBE in September and at LUISS in one of the two sessions: October/November, or March/April Defenses at Nova SBE are online.	