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RBS RIGA BUSINESS SCHOOL
Riga Technical University

VISION

In partnership with business, government, international partners, and the local community, RTU Riga Business School is committed to the vision of making Latvia and Riga the economic intersection of the region through education and training of internationally competitive managers whose skills will promote, encourage and foster regional economic development.

MISSION

Our mission is to educate managers and build leaders who create sustainable prosperity in the Baltic region. We do this by fostering an environment in which high potential individuals are challenged, inspired, and engaged through interactive learning in the world's top management practices.



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RTU RECTOR'S ADDRESS



DEAR RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY RIGA BUSINESS SCHOOL ALUMNI,

Riga Technical University Riga Business School (RTU RBS) is the leading regional business education institution in our region offering North-American style Master and Bachelor of Business Administration degree. The school has a noted reputation and its graduates have always occupied leading managerial positions in Latvia and abroad. The knowledge and skills received at RBS will ensure that you have the ability to analyze and understand managerial processes throughout your careers.

I hope that every RTU RBS graduate leaves their studies with the confidence of a strong leader in order to justify the contribution that the RBS community has made in you!

Sincerely,

Prof. **LEONĪDS RIBICKIS,**
Rector, Riga Technical University



> RBS DIRECTOR'S ADDRESS



DEAR GRADUATES, FACULTY, STAFF, SUPPORTERS AND FRIENDS,

Scholars and visionaries around the world are still debating how the global society is moving from the 3rd Industrial Revolution to the 4th and what the effects, benefits and perspectives of various digital innovations are. One thing is clear - digitalization of our private, professional, and social life is unavoidable, and it requires changes to the ways we live, interact, work, commute, produce, manage, organize, and so on.

To assist and facilitate the organizations and society of Latvia in the process, this year RBS undertook a major initiative to coordinate a new program of excellence in Computer Science, which will be implemented by the University of Latvia and Riga Technical University in cooperation with the University at Buffalo. The approach proposed by RBS is based on interdisciplinarity, cooperation, high academic standards, and governance system which will provide us alignment with globally emerging trends and assist in establishing new partnerships. The initiative has gained broad support from the Government and the Parliament of Latvia, Finance and IT industries, as well as numerous companies and individuals in Latvia and abroad. RBS is honored to receive such an endorsement, and we are committed to delivering a world-class education for Latvia and the Baltics.

For RBS community, the initiative brings new knowledge and the challenge to become the source of futuristic ideas, innovative management approaches, and state-of-the-art organizational solutions. Please make full use of these opportunities and be encouraged to share your perspective for the development.

With the best wishes for your digital successes,
sincerely yours,

JĀNIS GRĒVIŅŠ, Ph.D.

Director, RTU Riga Business School



> ABOUT RIGA BUSINESS SCHOOL



For 27 years, RTU Riga Business School (RBS) has been the place where the leaders of today and tomorrow meet. RBS was established in 1991 in cooperation with the State University of New York at Buffalo, USA, and the University of Ottawa, Canada. RBS was the first higher education institution in the Baltics to offer MBA programs in English, granting its graduates an internationally recognized Master of Business Administration degree. Having gained 21 years experience and hundreds of MBA graduates, in 2012, in collaboration with BI Norwegian Business School and the University at Buffalo, USA, RBS opened a dual-degree Bachelor of Management in International Business program. RBS is the only school in the Baltics which offers North-American style MBA and BBA programs that use high-level teaching standards and

structure, a liberal arts approach, intensive case studies, group work, and active classroom participation. Strong commitment to high quality, the principles of North-American management programs and having all the courses delivered in English make RBS distinctive in Latvia and beyond. Not only does the School have a solid reputation but also more than 1500 graduates, the majority of whom occupy leading managerial positions either in Latvia and abroad. Riga Business School is a member of PRME (Principles for Responsible Management Education). The PRME are a call to encourage and facilitate the movement of business schools toward the approaches that meet the new needs and expectations of the business world and the demands of a new generation of students with regard to sustainability and good corporate citizenship.



uOttawa

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Canada's university



> RBS ADVISORY BOARD

The Advisory Board reviews and approves RTU RBS budget, strategic plan, as well as recommends and/or approves the procedures associated with the implementation of the plan, and regularly reviews the performance of RTU RBS administration in implementing the guidelines of strategic development. The Advisory Board establishes the Nominations committee for the search of the Director and gives recommendation for appointment of the Director to the RTU Senate. RTU RBS Advisory Board consists of eleven members.



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ILMĀRS UPENIEKS

RTU RBS Alumnus



RBS DIPLOMA

RBS graduates are awarded a Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Business Administration with the full recognition and accreditation of the Republic of Latvia.

CERTIFICATES

- The Diploma is accompanied by a certificate that confirms the student's academic performance accords with the academic standards approved by the leading global business schools. The certificate asserts that the graduate has not only completed the required coursework but also demonstrated a high level of skills and knowledge by meeting the GPA requirements set by RBS and its partner universities.
- MBA students who select and successfully complete the courses required for Marketing, Finance and/ or Information Technology receive the Certificate confirming their specialization.

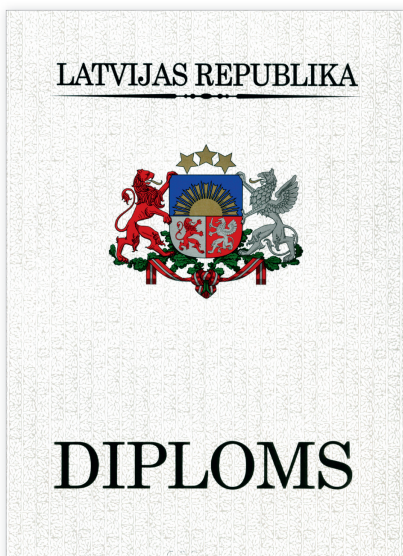
DUAL DEGREE

- BBA students who study at our partner universities and complete the dual-degree requirements also receive a Diploma awarded either by BI Norwegian Business School or University at Buffalo.

RTU RBS management programs are fully accredited by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia until the end of 2020. RBS is the first public educational institution in Latvia to have earned the International Quality Assurance (IQA) award by Central and Eastern European Management Development Association

(CEEMAN). CEEMAN is an international management development association established in 1993 with the aim of accelerating the growth in the quality of management development in Central and Eastern Europe. It is a global network of management development institutions which promotes the quality of education and innovations. In 2019, based on its academic excellence and contribution to the business environment, RBS was unconditionally re-accredited by international accreditation authority CEEMAN for the next six years!

In 2018, RBS became a member of the globally leading network of business schools - the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). Membership in AACSB has allowed RBS to gain valuable insights and data on globally leading business schools, as well as opportunities for partnering with them.



> RBS COUNCIL

RTU RBS strategic planning is carried out by the RTU RBS Council. The Council develops and approves RTU RBS academic development guidelines and oversees their implementation, regulatory documents for delivering programs, reviews related issues in research and methodology, elects lecturers and assistants, reviews study programs, coordinates scientific research work, approves the results of student academic performance, and resolves important administrative issues regarding academic work. In addition, the Council approves policies on internal procedures of RTU RBS, reviews student applications, develops proposed changes to these Statutes, develops suggestions for creating new structural units or changing the existing ones at RTU RBS, approves the changes in the members of the Council, and reviews and recommends RTU RBS budget and strategic plan to the Advisory Board for approval.



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RBS PROGRAMS

EXECUTIVE MBA

The RBS Executive MBA Program is designed to advance experienced executives to new leadership heights. Moreover, it adds new perspectives and tools to their existing vast management knowledge and embraces all aspects of contemporary management practice. The North-American style management education complemented by the best European experience, provides students with a truly global executive learning and networking opportunity.



"What are my conclusions about EMBA studies at RBS? My top-of-mind answer is teamwork. Not learning that teamwork is essential, but really two years long practicing using teamwork. Often the process was challenging, but always the result was exciting. The second thought is gaining better self-

awareness. Studies show that about 80 percent of all CEOs are unhappy. The leadership program at RBS helps us to understand the price of success and places maximum effort so that RBS alumni are among those 20 percent which are happy. And, of course, the third aspect is the excellent business knowledge based on the best business books and the best business cases - programs that the best US universities use. I wish your discoveries to be bright and meaningful."

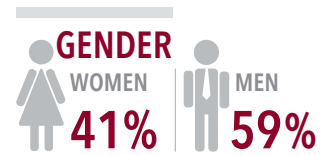
IVETA PRIEDĪTE
Executive MBA alumna

Executive MBA studies include:

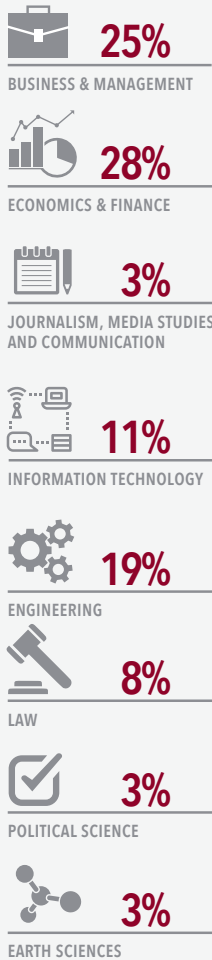
- Leadership Development Practicum - a focused leadership skill development program delivered by recognized experts;
- Distinguished international faculty from the USA, Canada, Argentina, South Africa, Europe, and more;
- Two study trips to our excellent partner schools and organizations - a European and a trans-continental study trip. Each trip is planned as a learning module on a specific theme, such as negotiation, innovation, inner workings of the European Union or global business. RBS has previously organized the trips to the Cambridge University (United Kingdom), BI Norwegian Business School (Norway), the State University of New York at Buffalo (USA), University of Stellenbosch Business School (South Africa), Westford School of Management (United Arab Emirates), and the Jiao Tong University (People's Republic of China in Shanghai);
- Carefully selected students receive valuable experience, networking opportunities with local and global executives and insights to share with their peers, making the study process and discussion exciting and educational. Meeting experienced leaders from different industries is an advantage which is offered by the RBS Executive MBA Program.



EXECUTIVE AND PROFESSIONAL MBA GRADUATES



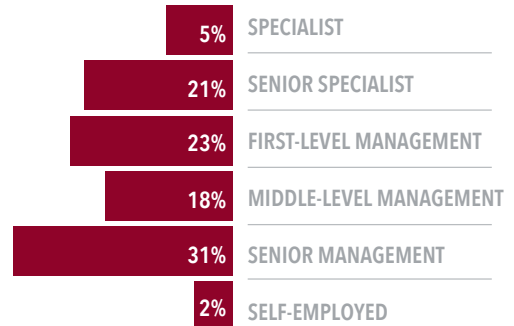
PREVIOUS EDUCATION



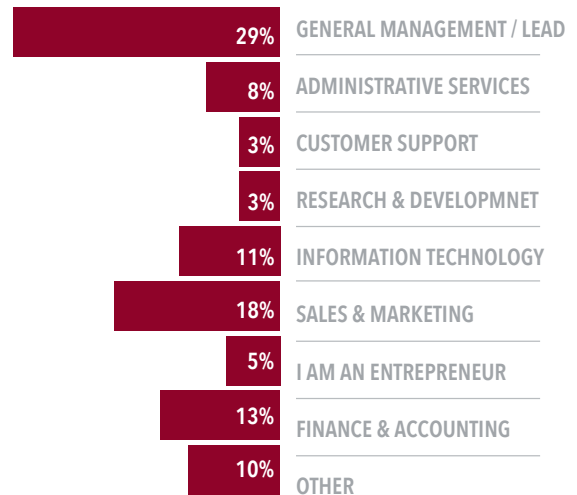
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BY INDUSTRY



LEVEL OF POSITION



JOB FUNCTION



EXECUTIVE MBA GRADUATES



AUSTRIS ĀRBERGS

Alfa Finance
Group's Head of HR
Get Happy, Carefully!



MILAD S. ASDAGHI



SANITA CEČLADZE



ARVĪDS JĒGERS

Tele2 Shared Service Center
Head of Tele2 Shared Service
Center
*Make the world a better place by
helping others. Start by investing in
self-development.*



SIGITA KRAVALE

Fortum
Head of Legal
*Thank you for the steady steps into
leadership through the highest
degree of professionalism, mutual
respect, sense of humor and team
spirit shared by the faculty and
fellow students.*



GATIS KULBERGS

Tikkurila
Board Member
*There are going to be times when
we can't wait for somebody. Now,
you're either on the bus or
off the bus.
/Ken Kesey/*



DACE PRIEDE

Citadele
CEO of AB Citadele Bankas




IVETA PRIEDĪTE

Narvesen Baltija
Development Manager
*Develop a passion for learning.
If you do, you will never cease to
grow.
/Anthony J. D'Angelo/*



ILONA VALDMĀNE

Tieto
Head of Accounting Services at
Global Shared Service Center
*Keep your eyes in the stars, and
your feet on the ground.
/Theodore Roosevelt/*
*Thank you for educating us in
the importance of responsible
leadership and sustainability in
business.*

 **Diploma with Distinction.**
Congratulations!



> RBS PROGRAMS

PROFESSIONAL MBA

The first and most prestigious evening MBA Program in Latvia that is delivered fully in English. The program is designed for professionals desiring to refine their skills and move up the career ladder. The Professional MBA at RBS is especially valuable to those whose previous education background is not business (e.g. engineers, lawyers, IT specialists, medical personnel, etc.) and are interested in improving their career prospects or starting their own businesses.

Students can receive a General MBA or select one of the following three specialized MBAs:

- MBA Finance
- MBA IT
- MBA Marketing



The RBS Professional MBA format is known for extensive use of case studies from Harvard Business School, IESE, and the Case Centre. The program enables students to learn from the knowledge and experience of faculty members and from each other through group work and classroom discussions. By exchanging ideas, opinions and experience, and analysing real business situations, students develop their critical thinking and decision-making skills.



"Within years I have come to the conclusion that there is a very simple recipe for life - one should live in such a way that it is simply INTERESTING - every day, every moment! If you want it to happen, you must constantly improve your knowledge, move your brain, broaden your horizon, and together with others help create a society which is intelligent, development-oriented and embellished with better human values. RBS MBA is the right place to find it all."

ZIGMĀRS BRUNAVS
Professional MBA alumnus

PROFESSIONAL MBA GRADUATES



ELĪZA AKMEŅKANE

Goal Events Group
Senior Project Manager
What we learn with pleasure we never forget.
/Alfred Mercier/



ANTRA BULA

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Senior Manager Accounting
Thank You for the experience! It was a wonderful journey together with inspiring people.



KASPARS BUŽINSKIS

Accenture
Nordic HR Analytics Specialist
Everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.
/Andy Rooney/
It's been a tall mountain and a fun climb!



ANDIS CĪRULIS

White Digital
Owner
MBA - a travel through time.



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Board Member



ZANE ERMANSONE

Rimi Baltic
Development Manager
*Never stop questioning.
Never stop exploring.*



KRISTAPS GREIDĀNS

ADVEN Latvia
Business Developer
Persistence is the key to success.



ROLANDO HUAPAIJA-DELGADO

LIAA
Senior Investment Advisor
Highly recommended! Not only great courses, but also useful new business contacts!



GERDS IVUŠKĀNS

Pricewaterhousecoopers SIA
Manager
When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen.
/Ernest Hemingway/



AGATE KAULIŅA

Baltic media line
Board Member
Pilsētas līnijas
Head of Planning Department
There are no limits to growth because there are no limits to human intelligence, imagination, and wonder.
/Ronald Reagan/

PROFESSIONAL MBA GRADUATES



ATIS KĻAVIS
Encontrol Baltic
CEO



JĀNIS LATKOVSKIS
Citadele Banka
Client Relationship Manager
Hard work pays off. Don't be afraid to take challenges!



JURGIS KOCIŅŠ
Swedbank
Specialist
*Believe you can and you're halfway there.
/Theodore Roosevelt/*



ANTONS LISECKIS
Latvian Mobile Telephone (LMT)
Head of Solution Sales Division
Getting out of the comfort zone and challenging yourself is the key to personal growth.



ALEKSANDRS KUBLINSKIS
LATAKKO
Head of B2C Sales division
As an MBA, I now know how to deliver a baby in one month with nine mothers.



DACE MAČUĻSKA
Citrus Solutions
Director
You can flow like a river through your life and wonder, where it carries you. And you can choose to drive your boat in the direction you want. It's your choice!



JOLANTA LĀCE
Orkla Foods Latvija
Product Group Manager
*Education is the key. If you are educated, nothing can defeat you.
/Caster Semenya/*



LORETA MASTEIKO
Chief Operating Officer
*The important thing is not to stop questioning.
/Albert Einstein/*



MĀRTIŅŠ LAPIŅŠ
DLLA
Director of Business Development



ARMANDS MEIRĀNS
Latvian Mobile Telephone (LMT)
Innovation Lead
*Start small and think long-term. Be patient – and expect the unexpected.
/Gregory Rust/*



PROFESSIONAL MBA GRADUATES



VLADIMIRS MIRONOVS
TET
Network development expert
What I learned allowed me to get a strategic view on the company's business development. I successfully implemented ideas supported by new knowledge into life.



RIHARDS OŠIŅŠ
Keller Polska
Comercial Director in Baltic countries
Very good business education, especially when its as a second education for engineers.



KĀRLIS OZOLS
Amber Beverage Group
Head of Group Financial Services
Great experience with practical application.



LAURIS PĒTERSONS
Timac AGRO Latvia
Director
Stop reading nice quotes, be yourself!



ELZA PRIEDE
Riga Business School
Bachelor Program Coordinator
Shoot for the moon, even if you miss, you'll land among the stars.



ARSENIJS ROGOVS
Dukascopy Bank
Senior Relationship Manager
*Continuous improvement is better than delayed perfection.
/Mark Twain/*



LAURA SĀRTA
Gaso
Strategic Project manager
Do what you love, and love what you do. It sounds cliché, but it does the trick.



MAKSIMS ŠEĻAKOVS
TTS
Project Manager
Develop yourself to become a part of the solution not the problem



> PROFESSIONAL MBA GRADUATES



OJĀRS STŪRE

Crisis Management Consultant
and trainer

*It was great to find out that I am
capable of much more than I
thought.*



**ANNA MARIJA
ZĪDERE-LAIŽĀNE**

Felici
Export Manager

*Knowledge will give you power, but
character respect.
/Bruce Lee/*



SINTIJA TRŪPA

RERE Grupa
Business Process Coordinator

*Always deliver more than expected.
/L. Page, Founder of Google/*



ARKĀDIJS ZVAIGZNE

*Well done is better than well said.
/Benjamin Franklin/*



RBS PROGRAMS

BBA WITH DUAL DEGREE OPTION

The BBA (Bachelor of Business Administration) program at the RTU Riga Business School is based on the curricula of the BBA programs of two leading business schools in Europe and the USA - BI Norwegian Business School and the State University of New York University at Buffalo.

The curriculum focuses on fundamental business related subjects in management, such as Finance, Economics, Methods, Law, and Intercultural Communication, and uses a liberal arts approach to expanding students' horizons. In this sense, the program is unique not only in Latvia but in the whole region.

The BBA program is proud to have other different valuable courses, such as StartUp Lab, Sales Management, Writing for Intercultural Communication, Art General, Intellectual Property, Financial Decision Making, and others. The program enables students to grow by stimulating creativity, developing problem-solving abilities, and expanding customer focus capabilities. Moreover, it also boosts the students' abilities to make sound decisions and take ownership of the decisions they make and execute.

This program gives a solid degree in international business with a distinct global access and the profound knowledge of how to establish a socially responsible business. The program is taught entirely in English.

The program offers three options:

- Study three years at RBS in Riga and receive an internationally accredited and solid degree from RBS;
- Study two years at RBS in Riga and the third year at BI Norwegian Business School and receive a dual degree diploma from RBS and BI;
- Study three years at RBS in Riga and the fourth year at the University at Buffalo (UB) and receive a dual degree diploma from RBS and UB.



Program development highlights of 2018/2019

RBS is constantly innovating, and we have made very exciting changes during the last twelve months:

- Joint course on innovation with UB: we ran the first joint BBA course with University at Buffalo where our students studied with the US students.
- In the fall of 2018, the Committee for Academic Integrity (CAI) was set up at the RBS to ensure that a culture of integrity is established and maintained. The CAI has already reviewed several serious cases of misconduct resulting in academic sanctions. In cooperation with the RBS administration and the IT Department, the CAI is hoping to develop IT-based solutions to prevent cheating in any form.
- Data analysis with R: in this course the second year students learn a structured and practical approach to data analysis using R, a programming language for statistical computing, and RStudio. R is one of the most popular tools used by working data scientists.
- Silicon Valley Challenge: we have upgraded our interview process in cooperation with leading international companies, making it very similar to real life recruitment processes.

"We are re-creating business education with the RBS BBA program. From this year onwards, we will also be re-creating IT education with the BITL program. Both programs show the DNA of RBS: innovation, social responsibility and drive. We hope we are embedding this DNA in the mindset of our students. I believe so."

CLAUDIO A. RIVERA



> RBS ADVISORY BOARD AWARD

In the autumn of 2014, the RBS Advisory Board announced a special award for the most talented and distinguished students - Outstanding Student Achievement Award. This award publicly recognizes a number of very important student accomplishments and attributes. It acknowledges outstanding student academic scholarship along with demonstrated leadership potential. Equally importantly, it also includes recognition of the community of service and support that the successful candidate has provided. These are all important accomplishments and attributes supporting the ideals of the RBS and the BBA program. Nominees for the award have to demonstrate outstanding academic achievement (achievement of a minimum eight cumulative GPA), integrity, strong leadership skills and community recognition supported by at least five letters from internship employers, NGOs representatives, community leaders, and fellow students. The award winner receives an engraved medal, monetary award and is listed in the RBS Bachelor of Business Administration Honor Roll.



WE CONGRATULATE
REINIS SADOVSKIS
ON WINNING THE AWARD IN 2019!



> BBA GRADUATES

IN RECOGNITION OF MEETING THE GPA REQUIREMENTS SET BY RBS AND ITS PARTNER UNIVERSITIES THE GRADUATES LISTED BELOW ARE ALSO AWARDED A CERTIFICATE



RIHARDS BREICIS

*If you ask me anything I don't know,
I'm not going to answer.
/Yogi Berra/*



DANIŁA GEORGIJS DZEHS

*My future is in my hands and my
knowledge is the tool to build it!
Thank you, RBS!*



ROLANDS DZENIS

PricewaterhouseCoopers
Associate in Tax
*Make improvements, not excuses.
Seek respect, not attention.
/Roy T. Bennett/*



ROMĀNS GALAIKO



REINIS GAŅĢIS

KPMG Baltics SIA
Junior Auditor
Name it to claim it. /Phil McGraw/



JAHN HALDORSEN



DĀVIDS ISAKOVŠ

Latvian Futsal Association
Director of Competitions
*It always seems impossible
until it's done.
/Nelson Mandela/*



MATĪSS JUHNA

Ginger Mane
Rapper
*I'm not a businessman,
I'm a business, man!
/Jay-Z/*



> BBA GRADUATES



LAURIS LAUŽA

EnterGroup
Key Account Manager

*Love your family, work super hard,
live your passion.
/Gary Vaynerchuk/*



GUSTAVS MĀRTIŅŠ LIEPIŅŠ

*To live a special life, you have to do
special things!*



YOSUMAN MAKHADOVA

Direct Mortgage Capital
Loan Officer's Assistant

*I have no idea what's next but I'm
sure it won't be boring!*



PAULA MANGULE



INGUS MASTIŅŠ



ELIJA PAEGLĪTE

*The boat goes the direction
you steer it, and the wind is the
challenge to tackle.*



AMANDA PIPARE

Having fun is success!



TOMS RAIĶSTIŅŠ

Citadele Bank
Junior credit risk analyst

*Set your house in perfect order
before you criticize the world.
/Jordan B. Peterson/*

> BBA GRADUATES



EDVARDS RUTKIS



REINIS SADOVSKIS

*Isn't it funny how day by day
nothing changes, but when you
look back, everything is different...
/C.S. Lewis/*



KONSTANCE SALTUPE



AGNE SIMANOVIČA



SANDIJS ŠIFERS

*Expansion.
Always, in all ways.
/Ryan Serhant/*



VARUN SUNDARESAN

Tillit Forsikring
Marketing Intern
*I had two options,
I created a third.*

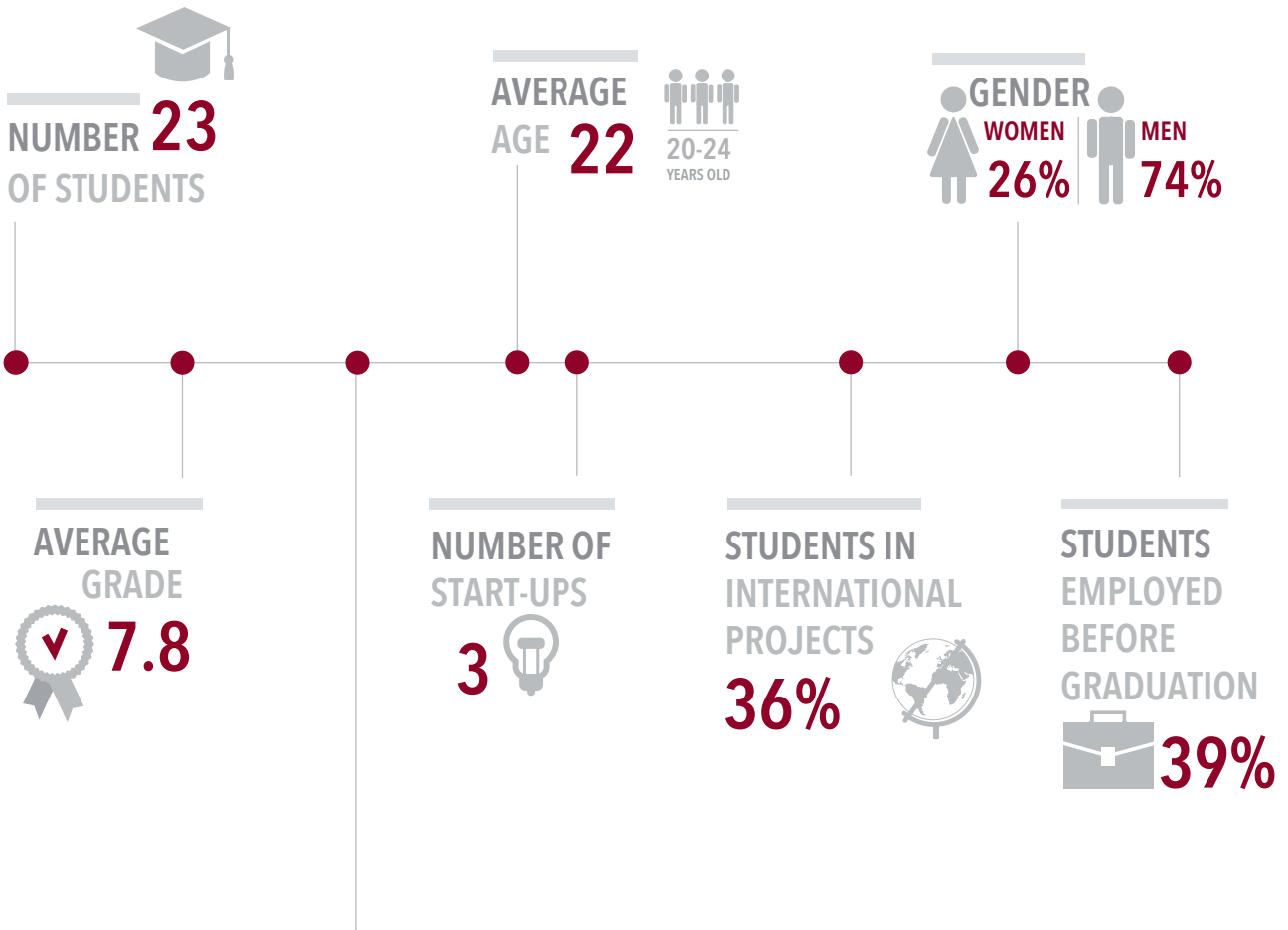


ALISHER URUNOV

SEB GSR
Payments & Operations
Specialist
*They told me I couldn't;
thats why I did.*



BBA GRADUATES



PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BY INDUSTRY

17%
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2%
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5%
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & SERVICES

22%
BANKING, FINANCIAL SERVICES & INSURANCE

2%
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2%
SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

6%
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CONSUMER GOODS

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3%
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RBS PROGRAMS



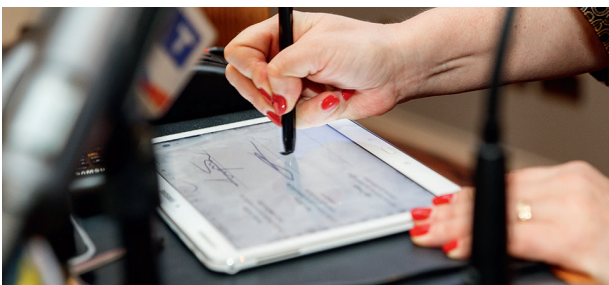
Baltic IT Leadership Bachelor Program Computer Science and Organizational Technologies

On April 24, 2019 the University of Latvia (LU) and the Riga Technical University (RTU), in cooperation with the State University of New York at Buffalo (UB), launched a new interdisciplinary program of excellence, which will be coordinated by RTU Riga Business School (RBS).

The new Baltic IT Leadership Bachelor Program *Computer Science and Organizational Technologies* will be the first interdisciplinary ICT program in English in Northern Europe.

The new program includes the core subjects required for any computer science (CS) program, provides students with a broad choice of electives in CS and non-CS disciplines, for example, natural sciences, social sciences, and arts and humanities. It offers students a choice of specializing in either specific CS subdisciplines or in management or finance. The students can attend the entire program in Riga or spend a year or more in the UB to earn a double-degree from Riga and the UB. This is a unique opportunity for young people to become highly qualified IT leaders in the nearest future. Students with excellent learning achievements and/or insufficient financial support will be eligible for scholarships. Enrollment started on May 20, 2019.

The joint IT education platform The Baltic IT Society or BITS will help to raise the network of IT professionals,



promote BITL program globally and attract students. <http://bits.education/>

More information about the Baltic IT Leadership Bachelor Program Computer Science and Organizational Technologies is available on www.BITL.lv.

If you would like to contribute to BITL, we are open for cooperation.



Thank you for supporting BITL development!

*Aiga Irmeja *Aivars Graudiņš *Agnese Līgotne
 *Agris Ņikitenko *Alise Paula Ziverte *Andris Melnūdris
 *Andris Rubīns *Anna Bogdanova *Arkādijs Zvaigzne
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 *Uldis Sukovskis *Valdis Pornieks *Valdis Segliņš
 and everyone who helped us!

EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR

RECOGNITION BY THE EMPLOYERS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE QUALITY OF THE EDUCATION PROVIDED BY RTU RIGA BUSINESS SCHOOL. WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION TO THE COMPANIES PROVIDING INTERNSHIPS AND EMPLOYING MOST OF OUR GRADUATES



GUNTIS BEĻAVSKIS

Chairman of the Management Board
Citadele Bank

The aim of Citadele is to give people more opportunities. Everyone needs the opportunity for self-development, to realize their own ideas, and help our country's economy to develop. High quality education is the basis for creating opportunities and implementing them. No technologies or innovations would exist without talented, passionate people and their knowledge.

We, as a full-service financial group, represented in all three Baltic countries, regularly launch different innovations in financial services. We pay considerable attention to attracting talented, ambitious people to our Citadele team. We are really happy to cooperate with RTU Riga Business School in this area - many Citadele team players and leaders have studied there. We are looking forward to enroll more RBS talents in our team.

We cooperate with RTU Riga Business School not only as an employer. We also actively support the new bachelor program "Computer Science and Organizational Technologies" for IT professionals jointly developed by LU and RTU in cooperation with the State University of New York at Buffalo. In this program, we join with other members of Finance Latvia Association to provide scholarships for students, as well as finance promotional activities of the program. Citadele will also provide financial support for equipment for the Business Intelligence Lab.

I wish all graduates, and also those ones who previously graduated from Riga Business School, to maintain the spirit of the champion, grow in ambition and, with our work, foster the growth of our country and society. Let us all have more opportunities!

RBS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Letter to graduates

JĀNIS SELGA
Vice President
Alumni Association

On behalf of the Riga Business School Alumni Association and your fellow alumni, I would like to extend our most sincere congratulations on successfully completing your degree. We are exceptionally proud of the work that you have done and join you in celebrating your academic achievement.

Graduation is a milestone that marks the end of one great experience and the beginning of a new phase in your life and your relationship with the school. We

welcome you to a club - alumni who are connected by a common experience.

Please take some time to familiarize yourself with the many opportunities now available to you. As a Riga Business school alumnus, you have exclusive access to services that support your success and offerings that allow you to have a little fun along the way.

Throughout your career, I encourage you to stay connected to the school in as many ways as you can. We have a strong global network of engaged alumni and with your participation, that network will continue to expand. I hope you will join me in helping to shape the future of the school by sharing your time, knowledge, and passion with the students and graduates of tomorrow.

This is an exciting time in your life and a great milestone both professionally and personally. I hope every year at this time that you will reflect on the spirit of the convocation and the path that you have taken. But for today, enjoy the celebration! I wish you all the best in your future endeavors. And remember "We share success".

WHAT CAN I DO AS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBER?



DEVELOPMENT

- Participate in seminars, events and conferences organized by RBS AA
- Suggest topics for future events
- Create, manage, and participate in further development tracks through events and projects



OPPORTUNITIES

- Share knowledge and business opportunities with the RBS Community
- Tell your business's success story
- Initiate and move projects that can be run within the RBS Community
- Chance to increase business opportunities while networking with Alumni and RBS Community



INVOLVEMENT

- Participate in RBS AA and RBS projects by direct involvement or sponsorship
- Be a part of active community and influence further activities and development



NETWORKING

- Meet other Alumni and other RBS
- Community members at various events



> RBS ALUMNI EVENTS

The RBS Alumni Association organizes a wide range of professional and social events that provide knowledge, insight, ideas, and connections for alumni, students, and other members of the Latvian business community. Its activity increases the awareness and value of the RBS brand. RBS Alumni can participate in many social events such as "Beer and Business", "Opera night", "Networking Dinner", "Homecoming", "Boat trip" and others.



COMPANY VISITS

RBS alumni, students, their colleagues, and partners are invited to visit some of the most successful companies in Latvia. These visits always lead to valuable insight into how businesses in a range of industries are managed. Networking during these visits brings immediate rewards in the form of business contacts and prospective deals. Success stories of RBS alumni and students inspire us to set higher standards and aspire to more ambitious goals. They have organized visits to companies: Getliņi Eko, Sonarworks, Sula and Mintos.



SEMINARS AND GUEST SPEAKERS

In 2018-2019, the RBS Alumni Association held seminars and discussions with experts which focused on enhancing the competitiveness of individuals and companies. They hosted the seminars, such as - Myths and Reality of Executive Coaching, Brain Science For Business Transformation, Physical Intelligence, The Managers Competitive Advantage - Effective Internal Communication, "There will be no pensions. "A myth or reality?", and many others.

MENTORING PROGRAM

In 2016, the RBS Alumni Association launched a Mentoring program with the mission to develop a wide spectrum of next generation leaders and cultivate lifelong learning for already experienced ones to enable the sustainable growth of the RBS community and society. This program is a part of Alumni Association activities and is organized by BBA and PMBA alumni. The second mentoring program participants graduated with great success in January 2019. The third program started in March 2019.

You can learn more about the program at:
www.facebook.com/mentoringRBS
https://ej.uz/Mentoring_RBS



RBS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

THE ELECTED BOARD CONSISTS OF SEVEN BOARD MEMBERS WHO LEAD THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



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Board Member

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RBS Director



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Lawyer at law firm Trinity



UĢIS BĒRTULSONS

Board Member

Member of the Supervisory Council at Latvian Security and Defence Industry Federation at FSDI Latvia



GUEST LECTURES AND EVENTS

A part of our RBS mission is to support our students and provide them with valuable knowledge and experience, as they become leaders and team players. We, thus, prepare them for life and success in the business world – whether in corporate, small business or entrepreneurial sectors. RBS invites business leaders from a range of industries and top institutions to share their knowledge with our community. This year we enjoyed guest lecturers from companies, such as Luminor Group, Accenture, TET, Jelgavas tipogrāfija, Nutricia, PNB Bank, SEB Latvija, Latvijas Finieris, Deloitte Latvia, Latvenergo, Jedox, Ventspils Naftas Termināls, Allnex, Talentor, Pedersen and Partners, Air Baltic, Fontes, and many others. Our guest lecturers with their deep knowledge, experience and skills enrich the students with current thinking in various industries, the latest tendencies in a functional area approach and cutting edge innovation processes. Special thematic events were organized in cooperation with our partners, such as the University of London, Norwegian Chambers of Commerce, the Foreign Investors Council in Latvia, Finance Latvia Association, Banka Citadele, the U.S. Embassy in Latvia, and the Latvian Youth Basketball league.

STUDENT UNION

The RBS Student Union (SU) represents the interests of all RBS students and works to create a stimulating and encouraging environment for individuals to grow, become socially active, put theory to practice, and create their career. Led by the Board and the co-presidents, the goal of the SU is to build a strong community of leaders with the vision to leave a positive impact on society, boost its prosperity and create an influential and intelligent network of young professionals. By organizing knowledge and experience sharing events, the SU builds meaningful relationships between the university, partners, students and alumni for the potential of future relations. Events such as company visits and the annual Networking



Dinner bring the ambitious community together with business representatives creating strong cultural bonds, business collaborations and giving the possibility to recruit the best young specialists and personalities in the market. The SU is not just a place for students to be active, but it is a community that brings together the stakeholders of the business community to share, create and grow the surrounding environment all together.

ORIENTATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

The RBS Student Orientation Program has been developed to welcome new BBA and MBA students and introduce them to the RBS community. The program acquaints students with one another, develops a sense of belonging, and hopes them feel at home at RBS. The event combines fun activities with thoughtful information and provides our new students with the opportunity to begin developing their own RBS network of colleagues, faculty and alumni. BBA freshmen become acquainted with RBS during a three-day camp that is organized in cooperation with Bauska municipality in Latvia. As an element of surprise, the location of every camp stays undisclosed until the moment of departure. The orientation program for MBA students is adjusted to meet the needs of young professionals; therefore, it is held on campus.



STUDENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT AND RBS BACHELOR PROGRAM STUDENTS STUDY TOGETHER

In June 2018, RBS in cooperation with our American partners organized a two-week course "Baltic States: Doing Business at the Crossroads of the European Union



and Eurasia” for bachelor program students. Such a project was implemented for the first time for our BBA students. The course gave students the interdisciplinary and cross-cultural experience that is essential in today’s global economy. It included five pre-travel sessions, culminating in a two-week seminar exploring various aspects of successfully starting, growing, managing, and financing a manufacturing or service company in the Baltic States region. Students from both schools met governance and entrepreneurship representatives in all three Baltic States. The project will continue.



OPEN DAYS

RBS Open Days invite students to become part of the success, the knowledge, and the good feelings, which come from belonging to the RBS community. During the past year, we held eight RBS Open Days events for our Bachelor and MBA programs. The RBS alumni and the representatives of successful companies provide valuable insight into both the learning environment and the value of the RBS diploma in the labor market. The sample case study discussions, facilitated by the RBS faculty, help our future students to comprehend how we learn together. During our Follow-a-Student-Day, potential BBA students can spend a full day at RBS and experience the everyday life of an RBS student by participating in lectures, meeting with the Student Union, and communicating with our faculty and administration.

MiniMBA

Riga Business School’s MiniMBA in Innovation training is the result of LIAA’s “Innovation Motivation Program” project. It is co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund and the European Union. The aim of the program is to emphasize the importance of innovation in organizations and show how to commercialize an innovative idea. The course is geared towards small to mid-size company managers who are interested in learning how to introduce an innovation idea. It uses Osterwalder’s Business Model Canvas as a tool and takes you through the whole innovation process: starting with the attraction of innovation idea, its evaluation and testing, and finishing with developing a viable innovation solution and its presentation. The seminars are delivered by hands on business professionals who are experts in their field and the theory is supplemented by innovation labs where students share their findings and learn how to present their ideas to attract investors.



RBS ACTIVITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



As part of the mission of RBS, we are increasingly offering academic support to hundreds of Latvian and EU schools, dozens of teachers and thousands of schools' students. We are gifted with a community full of well-trained faculty and successful alumni. We feel that it is our duty to support the next generation of entrepreneurs and managers from a very early age.

L-EARN Camp in Cooperation with SEB

We run an annual 5 day camp for 12th graders where they learn what it means to have a career in business. During the week, the students meet our professors and many small and big businesses. Besides, in cooperation with SEB, they need to provide a solution for one specific business dilemma. The week is full of exciting knowledge, informal activities and a sense of community.

RBS Webinars in Cooperation with Junior Achievement Latvia

Every year we organize two series of webinars for students participating in the globally renowned Junior Achievement Student Company program. The first series is in Latvian and it reaches almost 1000 students from all over the country. The second is in English and it reaches more than 20 EU countries. These webinars deal with topics such as business idea creation, presentation skills, sales and marketing.

International Student Company Festival

Junior Achievement Latvia organizes an annual festival for more than 500 students and teachers from all of the EU in Latvia. RBS has been an academic partner of this event for several years already. As an academic partner,

RBS delivers several workshops and lectures to students and teachers, provides mentoring, is a member of the jury, and organizes special challenge for CEOs.

Workshops in Schools

The RBS team has been touring schools in Latvia and outside Latvia for many years. During this tour, our staff delivers ad-hoc workshops that are custom created to motivate and encourage students to get involved in business. The workshops are pedagogically designed in a way that they deliver one key learning point using a game or simulation exercise. The most popular one so far has been the so called "Carrot experiment" in cooperation with the company Suncrip. Topics of the workshops - team work, creativity and career skills.



Special Workshops for Teachers and Students

RBS runs several workshops every year on campus for hundreds of teachers and students. Most of the workshops for teachers are intended to help them learn new learning methodologies that we have already been created and tested in our Bachelor Program or our Outreach programs. The workshops for students are aimed to help them get an understanding of the basics of entrepreneurship.



FINANCIAL INDUSTRY PROGRAM

FINANCE LATVIA ASSOCIATION

Since September 2017, RBS has implemented the Financial Industry Program with the support and encouragement of the Finance Latvia Association. The program offers courses to financial industry professionals seeking to improve their general knowledge of the global financial industry and its evolving regulations.

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The RBS Financial Industry Program is offered in cooperation with the US-based Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) and the UK-based The Chartered Institute of Securities and Investments (CISI).

ACAMS is the largest international membership organization dedicated to advancing the professional knowledge, skills and experience of those dedicated to the detection and prevention of money laundering around the world, and to promote the development and implementation of sound anti-money laundering policies and procedures.

CISI

CHARTERED INSTITUTE FOR
SECURITIES & INVESTMENT

The Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment is the leading professional body for securities, investment, wealth and financial planning professionals. Formed in 1992 by London Stock Exchange practitioners, we have a global community of circa 40,000 members in 116 countries and last year more than 40,000 CISI exams were sat in 80 countries, 15,000 taken outside the UK.

Currently, the RBS Financial Industry Program offers the following courses:

- Anti-Money Laundering Specialist Prep course in cooperation with ACAMS
- International Introduction to Investment course in cooperation with CISI
- Fundamentals of Financial Services course in cooperation with CISI

The courses are taught in English over 6-8-week evening sessions. They are led by RBS faculty and financial industry professionals selected by RBS and certified by partner organizations. Knowledge acquisition is confirmed by external examination by the partnership organizations. At the end of each course, successfully graduating participants receive RBS FIP certificate as well as a certificate from the partner organization.



"RBS offers a fantastic combination of international experience, local knowledge and practical skills. This is what you need to be effective in your work and get a fast return on investment. The content was 100% international, provided by professors with international background and experience,

and also linked to every-day work in Latvia and the Latvian context. Given the challenges in the AML field, Latvia needs to be front-runner in the world in order to improve its reputation. And this is what is needed - to learn from the best practice in the world and learn from the best."

KĀRLIS DANĒVIČS

RBS CAMS Prep Course Graduate

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The CFA® (Chartered Financial Analyst®) is the most respected and valued credential in the global finance community and it is increasingly viewed by many as a passport to enter into, and advance within investment management and corporate finance professions.

CFA preparation course is built around the CFA® Candidate Body of Knowledge and will cover a broad range of topics, such as statistical methods, economic analysis, and essential investment tools.

In the course students will have numerous problem solving sessions, practice exam questions and take a full practice exam with a follow-up review session to improve your exam taking skills.

This course is taught in English over 22 weeks evening sessions. The RBS offers CFA® Level 1 Preparation Course!

UNIVERSITY PREPARATION CENTER



University of London International Foundation Programme (UoL IFP)



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In October 2018, RTU Riga Business School became the only recognised teaching institution in the Baltic States with the right to implement the UoL IFP!

This is a unique opportunity to study a foundation course for entry into any British university, many universities in Europe, USA and Australia competing on equal terms with the graduates of British secondary schools (A-levels) and IB programmes. Talented high school students will be able to combine studying in the IFP programme with studying at high school. This way, students will be trained to meet the highest academic standards while living at home.

In the programme, students are expected to learn and pass exams in four subjects: Mathematics and Statistics;



Economics, Sociology, International Relations. In addition, Academic English will be taught as a support subject. Apart from that, students planning to study at British or American universities will be consulted on the application process. For those wishing to get a bachelor's degree at RBS, part of the 1st year subjects will be credited.

Pre-University English

In September 2017, RBS ELC launched a new program to prepare university candidates for studies in English and for life in the English-speaking countries. High-school students attended afternoon classes at ELC where the main focus of studies was developing general knowledge, critical thinking, vocabulary, speaking, writing, as well as presentation and test-taking skills.

Guest lectures are an important feature of the program, as they give students a taste of real university life. Organized for the Pre-University English students, they are usually open to the general public. This year, students had a chance to hear Mārtiņš Hiršs from SceptiCafe on critical thinking, Dr. Jill Stuart from LSE on space politics, Lynne Roberts from University of London on skills needed to succeed at a university, and Laine Kristberga from RBS on how to interpret art. We hope they will enjoy the summer and the books carefully chosen by their teachers as gifts from the Center.

NEW! Introduction to Mathematics and Mathematical Reasoning

The course is aimed at students in their 11th year of a secondary school to refresh and systematise the knowledge of mathematics, as well as to develop and enhance their mathematical skills and understanding in preparation for the UoL IFP entrance examination.



TESTING CENTER

Since 2006, RBS has been an approved Educational Testing Service (ETS) Certified Test Administration Site to administer the TOEFL iBT® and TOEFL ITP® Tests. These are English language proficiency tests used as an entrance examination in the majority of universities around the world where the studies are held in English. In cooperation with ETS, RBS also offers assessments of English and French language skills for the workplace using TOEIC® Listening and Reading and TFI™ tests as well as SAT and GRE® academic tests necessary to study abroad.

As of 2008, RBS is also a part of the Pearson VUE network offering the Graduate Management Admission (GMAT) test, Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) certificate and many other professional tests serving test takers in nearly every industry:

- Academia & admissions
- Financial & related services
- Government
- Health care
- Information technology (IT)

Since 2017, RBS has been an Authorized Test Center for Nextec Inc.

In addition, RBS Testing Center administrates exams for RBS BBA program.



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RBS ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTER

The mission of RBS English Language Center (ELC) is to help institutions and individuals to communicate effectively in a global environment.

ELC course portfolio includes:

- Open (evening) groups
- General English
- Business English
- Effective Presentations in English
- Effective Communication in English
- One-to-One English
- TOEFL iBT preparation

Corporate courses

RBS ELC enjoys the reputation of high quality English language testing and training provider to private companies and state institutions. The list of ELC corporate clients includes the State Chancellery, the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs, the Ministry of Welfare of the Republic of Latvia, the Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia, AS Swedbank, AS SEB Bank, Nordea Bank Finland Plc, AS Baltic International Bank, Latvijas Gaze, AS Sadales Tikls, SIA Linstow Centre Management, Riga Technical University and others.

Currently, RBS ELC is providing specialized English language instruction to faculty and academic staff of Riga Technical University.

Evaluations show that all students highly appreciate the ELC systemic approach to teaching, professionalism of the instructors and the use of Google Classroom in addition to original books and supplementary materials.



EDUCATIONUSA

EducationUSA Latvia Information Center is Latvia's only official source of information about education opportunities in the United States of America. For more than 10 years, EducationUSA has promoted U.S. higher education to students around the world by offering accurate, comprehensive, and up-to-date information.

THE CENTER OFFERS:

Group Advising Sessions

«EducationUSA Latvia not only helped me to prepare better for the international exams and the application process, but also was my first step towards exploring the USA in general. I am very grateful to the always supportive and helpful staff, that guided me through the application process and helped me get into the one of the top Liberal Arts Colleges.»

JELENA JESAJANA



Webinars and Events

«The EducationUSA Fair was an excellent event to finally meet face to face with prospective universities in which to study, as well as gain hands-on experience about what type of candidates US universities are looking for. I am highly grateful to EducationUSA for providing me with this experience.»

ARKĀDIJS ZVAIGZNE

Individual Consultations

«If you are thinking about studies in the USA, I definitely suggest that you meet the EducationUSA Latvia team and have a talk. EducationUSA Latvia supported me with information about the schools, programmes, cultural differences and even gave me a contact person, an American guy who helped me to improve my English for studies. I feel blessed that I found this organization on my

journey to higher education. With the help of them, I did more than I could imagine when I started to think about the studies in the USA.»

BAIBA MATISONE

Library



«EducationUSA center not only encouraged me to apply for studying in the United States, but also guided and helped me throughout the application process. Using the materials, I was able to access the EducationUSA library and the information I received from the personnel enabled me to take my SAT exams successfully and prepare a competitive college application.»

RASMUS GEKS

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FLEX LATVIA



The Embassy of the United States in Latvia and the American Councils for International Education are pleased to invite students to participate in the FLEX program. This exchange program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and provides merit-based scholarships for bright and talented Latvian high school students to live with an American host family and attend an American high school for one academic year. We are happy that FLEX program is also administered in Latvia. The FLEX program was established by the United States Congress in 1992. It provides a year-long, fully funded exchange program for secondary school students to travel to the United States for a year and study at an American high school. Now in its 26th year, the FLEX academic year program has provided scholarships to more than 28,000 secondary school students. The goal of the program is to promote mutual understanding between citizens of the United States and other peoples and countries, as students learn more about the U.S. and teach Americans about their countries. Each scholarship recipient will live in the United States for one year as a member of a U.S. host family and study in an American high school. Secondary school students with disabilities are also invited to participate in the competition. Approximately twenty students with disabilities are invited to the U.S. on the FLEX program each year.

MORE INFORMATION:

Online:

<http://discoverflex.org>

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