

CEMS Frequently Asked Questions

Application and selection procedure

When can I apply?

Our on-line application form is [here](#) available every year in February. Once the application deadline has passed it won't be possible to apply for CEMS.

How do I apply for the CEMS MIM at LSM?

If you would like to apply for admission to the CEMS at LSM, please visit the [admission page](#).

What are the admission requirements for the Master 120 credits?

The admission requirements differ per Master programme. Please check on the Admission requirement website. If you still have some questions about it, please contact:

- For non-Belgian degree holder: Ms Estelle Tonon estelle.tonon@uclouvain.be
- For Belgian degree holder : Ms Marie Lefevre marie.lefevre@uclouvain.be

Please note that due to the high number of applications, LSM is not able to check any documents before the admission period.

Can I apply for CEMS MIM only or do I also have to enroll in LSM Master's degree in Management or in Business Engineering, 120 credits?

The CEMS MIM is embedded in the 120 credits LSM Masters in Management or in Business Engineering. After being selected for CEMS MIM you have to enroll in LSM Master's degree in Management or in Business Engineering, 120 credits.

- For non-EU citizens : deadline April 30th
- For EU citizens : deadline August 31st

You will start both Masters (120 credits and CEMS) in fall of the 1st year.

Further information on the MSc can be found here below:

> [CEMS MIM - Master 120 in Management](#)

> [CEMS MIM - Master 120 in Business Engineering](#)

Do I have to complete 120 credits LSM Master in Management or in Business Engineering before applying for CEMS MIM at LSM?

No, you will start both Masters (120 credits and CEMS MIM) in fall of the 1st year.

Is it possible to submit my application before the admission period for getting a pre-evaluation?

Due to the high number of applications, LSM is not able to check any documents before the admission period.

I will not obtain my Belgian bachelor degree before the application form deadline, how do I calculate my weighted average?

Your weighted average will be calculated based on the results included on your transcript at the time of application.

Can I apply without having obtained my diploma before the application deadline?

Yes, you can apply for admission before your bachelor programme has been completed. Students selected for CEMS MIM will be **provisionally admitted**. You must email your bachelor diploma before the start of the semester otherwise you will not be able to start the programme.

Can I apply without having a weighted average of 67% out of my Belgian bachelor degree before the application form deadline?

Non, you cannot. Students with a Belgian degree holder can apply only if they have a weighted average of 67% out of their Belgian bachelor degree (or on 2 years and ½ of your bachelor degree if not finished yet) or GMAT Total score 600. The Transcript of Records must be sent by email with the application form otherwise the application won't be considered.

What is the GMAT Test?

Please visit the official [GMAT Web Site](#).

Do I have to take the GMAT Test?

The GMAT Total score result is mandatory for all non- Belgian degree holders.

If I am not sure to have a weighted average of 67% out of my Belgian bachelor degree, can I take the GMAT Test?

Yes, if you are not sure to have a weighted average of 67% out of your Belgian bachelor degree you can take the GMAT test (Total score 600) and your weighted average won't be considered.

Can I apply without having a GMAT score of 600 before the application form deadline?

Non, you cannot. Students with a Belgian degree holder can apply only if they have a weighted average of 67% out of their Belgian bachelor degree (or on 2 years and ½ of your bachelor degree if not finished yet) or GMAT Total score 600. The Transcript of Records must be sent by email with the application form otherwise the application won't be considered.

I scored lower than 600 in my GMAT test, can I still apply?

Applicants with a GMAT Total score under 600 will not be considered for admission. You can take the test again, but the score must be submitted by the deadline. LSM will only consider the highest score obtained.

Can I send in my application form first and the results of my English exam later?

Non, you cannot send us your application form first and complete your application package later with your English certificate. Keep in mind that it can take up to a month to receive the results of most English language exams. We therefore strongly advise you to take the exam well in advance.

Please note that the results of the English language exam must be submitted with the application form.

I passed my TOEFL test 2 years ago and I also did a Master (Bachelor) taught in English but not obtained in an English-speaking country or CEMS or EQUIS institution. Are both documents enough for fulfilling the English proficiency criteria?

Only the TOEFL test if still valid. All applicants have to submit an official certificate of English: IELTS (academic) 7.0 or TOEFL (iBT) 100 or Cambridge CAE A/CPE C or a Bachelor/Master's degree taught entirely in English and obtained in an English-speaking country or obtained in a CEMS or EQUIS/AACSB accredited institution.

Should I attach a letter of reference to my application form?

LSM does not take letters of references into consideration during the application process.

What is the selection interview like?

The selection interview lasts approximately 20 minutes and is held in English and in the languages spoken by the candidate. Representatives from the CEMS Corporate Partners, the CEMS Faculty and the LSM CEMS Office will be present.

When will I be informed of the results of my application?

You will be informed of the outcome one week after the interview.

What do I have to do after being selected?

You have to enrol in LSM Master's degree in Management or in Business Engineering, 120 credits.

Please follow the [UCL LSM admission procedure](#)

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When will I know my CEMS exchange school?

The choice of CEMS university as exchange destination will take place in mid-December.

Can I choose where and when doing my CEMS exchange?

You may indicate your preferences for the CEMS partner school(s) and term in the order of where you would like to go.

However, exchange slots per school are limited and some schools are available under specific conditions. The available slots are allocated according to the ranking. You will receive a destination for the highest preference that you are eligible for, however you might not get your preferred term.

Can I spend two academic terms abroad?

At LSM, the possibility to do 2 academic terms abroad has a limited access and the available places are allocated according to the same ranking.

Is there a guarantee that I can spend my exchange semester at LSE, ESADE etc.?

No, we cannot guarantee you a place at your preferred university.

Do I have to pay an application fee?

Yes, all applicants have to pay an application fee of €85 which is **non-refundable**. Applications without successful payment cannot be processed.

Language requirements

Can I apply for CEMS MIM without having an English Certificate?

You are exempt from taking it if you are an English mother tongue or if you have a Bachelor's diploma taught entirely in English and obtained in an English-speaking country or obtained in a CEMS or EQUIS/AACSB accredited institution

What are the minimum required scores for an English language test when applying for CEMS MIM?

All applicants must submit scores from one of the following tests:

IELTS (academic) 7.0 or TOEFL (iBT) 100 or Cambridge CAE A/CPE C

Can I apply with the results of an English language test other than TOEFL or IELTS?

No, LSM does not accept the results of other English tests.

How many languages do I have to know for being selected?

LSM requires that all non-native English speakers provide proof of proficiency in English by submitting the results of either the TOEFL or IELTS or Cambridge CAE A/CPE C test.

How many languages should I know at the end of the CEMS MIM?

CEMS graduates are expected, at the end of the CEMS MIM, to be able to interact in two foreign languages (in addition of the mother tongue) at a very high level. More information on www.uclouvain.be/en-276950

Other

Where can I find information about the CEMS MIM programme at LSM?

You can find all information on www.uclouvain.be/276950

If I am selected for the CEMS MIM, when will I start the programme?

You will start it in fall of the 1st year of Master's degree in Management or Business Engineering.

Is there a tuition fee for the CEMS MIM?

LSM does not charge any additional tuition fees for the CEMS MIM.

Further information about [tuition fees at UCL](#). However, CEMS charges each selected student with a fee of 100€. The fee is used to fund central services provided by the CEMS Association and to free resources to allow CEMS to reach its strategic objectives. CEMS Students will receive further instructions about the modality of payment, due in January and directly to the CEMS organisation.

Are there any fees?

LSM charges Cems local and incoming students for the Block Seminar and the RGL Seminar, both CEMS mandatory activities. More information on www.uclouvain.be/en-276950

When does the new academic year start?

The new academic year will officially start in the 3rd week of September

Which degree will I receive?

All students who finish their Master at LSM, will receive a Master's degree in Management or Business Engineering and the CEMS Master's degree in International Management.

LSM does not send the Cems diploma to your home address. Therefore you need to either come in person or ask someone to collect it.

Where can I find course schedules for my Master programme?

It will be available at the start of semester. Please visit www.uclouvain.be/en-lsm.html

If I arrive from abroad, will someone pick me up?

Erasmus University and the CEMS CLUB LLN run a pick-up service. They can also assist you with finding your place to live, where to get your key, or finding your way to a hotel. For more information, contact the [CEMS CLUB LLN](#).

How do I find accommodation?

Through its Accommodation Office, **UCL manages a large offer of accommodation on its campuses in Louvain-la-Neuve and Brussels.**

Quite a few private owners let rooms, studios and apartments in Louvain-la-Neuve and the neighbouring towns. A list of [accommodation proposed by private landlords](#) is available on the web site of the Accommodation Office. If you wish to rent accommodation this way, you will have to contact the owner by phone or e-mail, and come to an agreement with them directly.

For more information about housing options, please visit www.uclouvain.be/en-440873