

# University of Southern California Marshall School of Business



Fact Sheet for MBA International Exchange Program  
2022-2023





# About the University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business



Trojan Network

**451,000 USC  
Alumni**

**90,000 Marshall  
Alumni**

The University of Southern California (USC) was established in 1880. It is the oldest private research university in the western United States. Today, USC is home to more than 49,500 students and over 4,674 full-time faculty.

Founded in 1920 as the College of Commerce and Business Administration, the USC Marshall School of Business (USC Marshall) is not only the oldest AACSB accredited school of business in Southern California, but also one of the nation's oldest and most prominent business schools. The Marshall School of Business is the largest of USC's 22 professional schools. It is located on the USC main campus (also known as "University Park campus") next to downtown Los Angeles. Downtown Los Angeles is home to L.A. Live, Staple Center, Dodger Stadium, Museum of Contemporary Art, Walt Disney Concert Hall and a cluster of other Music Center venues featuring major theater, opera and dance productions. Other prime attractions in Los Angeles are the Hollywood walk of fame, Universal Studios Hollywood, Disneyland, the Getty Villa, the Getty Center as well as numerous beaches not far from the main campus.



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***“Working together,  
collaborating, is  
what the Trojan  
brand is all about.  
It’s what the  
network is all  
about.”***

***- Andrew Devine,  
USC MBA Alum***



# FACTS

## About the USC Marshall School of Business MBA Programs

The University of Southern California (USC) was established in 1880. The USC Marshall School of Business offers an array of program choices for manager and business professionals, including Full time MBA, MBA Professionals and Managers (MBA PM.), Executive MBA Program (EMBA), International MBA Program (IBEAR MBA) and several specialized master degree programs. The programs and curriculum are tailored to meet the needs of professionals with different levels of experience and varied professional goals, helping students gain the knowledge vital to their success. Coursework is complemented by opportunities to participate in the Marshall Student clubs, industry conferences, and case competitions.

Students across all the programs acquire critical skills in leadership, analytical thinking, and collaboration, along with a global perspective that only comes from first-hand experience. They study among a world-class faculty of leading business thinkers and innovators. Additionally, students enjoy access to Marshall's 90,000-plus worldwide alumni network.

**#28**

**NATIONAL RANKING OF THE USC MARSHALL FULL-TIME  
MBA PROGRAM**  
*according to The Economist*

**\$127,495**

**AVERAGE SALARY FOR MARSHALL MBA GRADUATES  
2019**

**#16**

**NATIONAL RANKING OF THE USC MARSHALL FULL-TIME  
MBA PROGRAM**  
*according to U.S. News & World 2021 Report*

**#4**

**USC MARSHALL'S RANKING FOR BEST MBA ALUMNI  
NETWORK**  
*according to Bloomberg BusinessWeek 2019*





# MBA CLASS OF 2023

**34%**

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**218**

**CLASS SIZE**

**36%**

**WOMEN**



**Trojan Community Success**

**40 Student Clubs**

**38 Case Competitions**

**\$127,000 awarded in cash**

**Challenge 4 Charity**

**5,000 + hours volunteered and over \$200,000 raised**



**Average Age**

**29**

**FIGHT ON!**

**31 Different Countries**

**Represented**

**(first and second year classes)**



# USC By The Numbers

Research and Development



FACULTY-LED CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE RUN BY USC  
MARSHALL

## USC MARSHALL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE

- ◇ BRITTINGHAM SOCIAL ENTERPRISE LAB
- ◇ CENTER FOR EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS
- ◇ THE GLOBAL BRANDING CENTER
- ◇ CENTER FOR GLOBAL INNOVATION
- ◇ RANDALL R. KENDRICK GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAIN INSTITUTE
- ◇ CENTER FOR INVESTMENT STUDIES (CIS)
- ◇ LLOYD GREIF CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL STUDIES
- ◇ NEELY CENTER FOR ETHICAL LEADERSHIP & DECISION MAKING







## Facilities

Most of business graduate classes are conducted in Popovich Hall (JKP), which also houses program offices and services for the USC Marshall MBA and Specialized Master Students. This building features eight case study rooms with audio-video teleconferencing, thirteen experiential learning classrooms with the ability to transmit lectures and presentations throughout the building, data hookups in the building and courtyard, wireless network access and more than 15 miles of fiber optic and cable wiring. Popovich Hall is one of the most technologically advanced business school buildings in the United States.

Other USC Marshall classrooms include Hoffman Hall, Bridge Hall, Fertitta Hall and the Leventhal School of Accounting.

Also located on campus is the bookstore along with numerous libraries and excellent sporting and recreational facilities. The University Park campus also includes eleven retail cafés, while the USC Village supports a myriad of shopping and dining options through the vast amount of retail stores, restaurants, and supermarkets.



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# Websites

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| University of Southern California                    | <a href="http://www.usc.edu">www.usc.edu</a>  |
| Marshall School of Business                          | <a href="http://www.marshall.usc.edu/">http://www.marshall.usc.edu/</a>   |
| International Exchange Program                       | <a href="https://www.marshall.usc.edu/current-students/marshall-global-programs-and-partnerships-mba-international-exchange-program/incoming-participants">https://www.marshall.usc.edu/current-students/marshall-global-programs-and-partnerships-mba-international-exchange-program/incoming-participants</a> |
| Academic Calendar                                    | <a href="https://academics.usc.edu/calendar/academic-year-2022-2023/">https://academics.usc.edu/calendar/academic-year-2022-2023/</a>   |
| Schedule of Courses                                  | <a href="http://www.usc.edu/soc">http://www.usc.edu/soc</a>   |
| Marshall School of Business<br>Elective Course Guide | <a href="http://www.marshall.usc.edu/ECG">http://www.marshall.usc.edu/ECG</a>   |
| Transcript Request                                   | <a href="http://www.usc.edu/transcripts">http://www.usc.edu/transcripts</a>   |





# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## Fall Semester 2022

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| August 16:       | Last Day to Arrive in Los Angeles          |
| August 18-19:    | Marshall IEP Student Orientation           |
| August 19:       | Deadline to pay insurance and program fees |
| August 22:       | Classes Begin                              |
| September 5:     | Labor Day, University Holiday              |
| October 13-14:   | Fall Recess                                |
| November 23- 27: | Thanksgiving, University Holiday           |
| December 2:      | Classes End                                |
| December 3-6:    | Study Days (No class)                      |
| December 7-14:   | Final Exams                                |

## Spring Semester 2023

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| January 4:        | Last Day to Arrive in Los Angeles          |
| January 5-6:      | Marshall IEP Student Orientation           |
| January 6:        | Deadline to pay insurance and program fees |
| January 9:        | Classes Begin                              |
| January 16:       | Martin Luther King's Birthday              |
| February 20:      | President's Day                            |
| March 12 – 19:    | Spring Recess                              |
| April 28:         | Classes End                                |
| April 29 – May 2: | Study Days (No class)                      |
| May 3 – 10:       | Final Exams                                |

## Nomination

School partners can nominated their students via the link below during the nomination period

[https://usc.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eKlgyZLkLiHIHjD](https://usc.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eKlgyZLkLiHIHjD)

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| 2022 Fall Semester   | March 1-31  |
| 2023 Spring Semester | August 1-31 |



# Language Requirements

**Non-native English speakers** must provide proof of English Language Proficiency: TOEFL iBT score of 90 with no less than 20 on each section **OR** an IELTS score of 6.5 with no less than 6 on each band score.

## Student Application & Document Requirements

The nominees must submit the application and required documents via the following link [https://usc.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_01JBESTwtRoNQZ](https://usc.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_01JBESTwtRoNQZ) by the deadline.

### 2022 Fall Semester Submission

#### Period

April 15, 2022

### 2023 Spring Semester Submission

#### Period

September 15, 2022

## List of Required Documents

- ⇒ Resume
- ⇒ Limited Status Form
- ⇒ Passport Copy
- ⇒ \*DS-2019 Request Form with Proof of English Language Proficiency
- ⇒ \*Bank Statement
- ⇒ \*Financial Status Form



*Note: \*These forms will be sent to each nominee via email after nomination deadline has passed.*





## MBA Learning Objectives

#1: Develop Personal Strengths

#2: Gain Knowledge & Skills

#3: Motivate & Build High-Performing Teams



## Elective Classes

Marshall offers close to **100** elective courses for MBA students in any given



## Course, Credit, Workload, Grading & Transcript Information

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Units per Course:** 3 units for full semester courses and 1.5 units for half semester courses.

**Contact Hours per Unit:** Fifteen hours

**Average Course Load:** Most full-time MBA students take four to five classes. Exchange students must take between 9 and 12 graduate business units.

**Teaching Methods:** 50% lecture, 50% case study. Some classes include interdisciplinary team-teaching.

### Elective Courses Offered:

Numerous electives are offered in the following areas: Accounting, Business Communications, Business Entrepreneurship, Data Sciences and Operations, Finance and Business Economics (including Real Estate), Marketing and Management and Organization. International exchange students may only enroll in Marshall-approved graduate business elective courses (*numbered 500 and above*).

Online descriptions of concentrations and courses are provided through the Marshall School of Business Elective Course Guide at <https://www.marshall.usc.edu/elective-course-guide/course-description>

A complete list of courses offered by USC can be found at <http://www.usc.edu/soc>.

**Grading scale:** Minimum passing for MBA credit is **C**.

|                         |     |                     |     |
|-------------------------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| Excellent/Superior (A): | 4.0 | Very Good (A-):     | 3.7 |
| Good (B+):              | 3.3 | Satisfactory (B):   | 3.0 |
| Average (B-):           | 2.7 | Below Average (C+): | 2.3 |
| Unsatisfactory (C):     | 2.0 | Failing (C-):       | 1.7 |

**Transcript Requests:** Students must request a transcript to be sent to their home university at the end of the semester. Electronic and paper transcripts can be ordered online at: <http://www.usc.edu/transcripts>



## Estimated Expenses

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|-------------------|--|
| Housing:          | \$1,400 - 3,000 per month (Depending on location & features) |
| Living Expenses:  | \$500 - \$800 per month                                      |
| Materials:        | \$800 - \$1,200 per semester                                 |
| Health Insurance: | \$850 - \$1,400 per semester                                 |
| Student Fees:     | \$500 per semester   |
| Miscellaneous:    | \$500 - \$1,000 per month                                    |

*\*On-campus housing is not available for graduate international exchange students. A list of online rental listings for off-campus housing will be provided with the acceptance letter.*



Additional expenses for those who choose to have a car during the exchange semester:

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| Auto-Insurance | \$300 - \$475 per month    |
| Parking at USC | \$370 - \$500 per semester |





# VISA REQUIREMENTS

All exchange students who are non-U.S. citizens or non-US permanent resident are required to apply for a J-1 visa through the local U.S. consulate or embassy.

To start the process, a nominee must submit the DS-2019 form with a proof of English language proficiency (TOEFL iBT score of 90 with no less than 20 on each section OR an IELTS score of 6.5 with no less than 6 on each band score) to the USC Marshall School. Once the DS-2019 is approved, the certificate of eligibility for exchange visitor (J-visa) status will be sent to each nominee with the acceptance letter/information package. Then the nominees are required to pay the SVIS (I-901) fee (current rate about \$220 for J-1 students) to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) before the visa interview date. Visa applicants must provide the financial proof of funding with minimum amounts as follows:

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|---------------------------------|---|
| Exchange student (J-1)          | \$10,000 per semester                     |
| Exchange student's spouse (J-2) | Additional \$4,000 per semester           |
| Exchange student's child (J-2)  | Additional \$2,000 per semester per child |



## J-1 VISA EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM



## Immunization Requirements

Within the first two week of the exchange semester, international exchange students are required to submit the following:

- Proof that the person has received either two doses of the MMR (Measles, Mumps & Rubella) vaccine, or have Measles and Mumps immunity
- Proof of two doses of the Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine or proof of immunity
- Proof that the person has been screened for tuberculosis by a lab either in United States or Canada
- *Meningococcal Vaccine (ACWY)* This requirement is for students 21 years old and under.
- COVID-19 Vaccine is required, including a complete primary series and a booster when eligible
- Influenza vaccine is strongly recommended

For more detailed information:

<https://studenthealth.usc.edu/immunization-requirements-for-all-students/>



## Health Insurance

USC requires all students including international exchange students to have a comprehensive health insurance plan that will help cover the cost of care that cannot be obtained on campus, particularly for an emergency situation where hospitalization may be required.

**All students are automatically enrolled in the USC Health Insurance Plan.** Students may request a waiver to opt out of the USC Health Insurance plan if the students can demonstrate their insurance provides equal or greater coverage than the USC Health Insurance plan. It is **very rare** that a waiver is granted. You can find more information about the USC Health Insurance waiver online at: <https://engemannshc.usc.edu/insurance/waivers/>



## Student Health Center

All students including international exchange students can access the medical services at the Engemann Student Health Center on the University Park campus as they are required to pay for the Student Health Center Fee in addition to the Student Health Insurance premium. This fee covers most primary medical care provided by the Student Health Center; however, there may be nominal fees for some services such as laboratory tests, immunizations and copies of x-rays.





## Student Services & Facilities



### Access

Exchange students have access to campus-wide wi-fi, computer and printer facilities, state of the art library and the MBA student Clubs and MBA mixer events.

### MBA Career Services

Exchange students can attend career networking events and receptions. In order to take advantage of these opportunities, the international exchange students must join a Marshall MBA student club and sign up to attend the career networking events and receptions that are overseen by their student club.

Currently, Marshall School of Business **cannot** provide other career services including on-campus recruiting activities, training, career advising and job interview scheduling for international exchange students.





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## Further Information

Students interested in attending USC's Marshall School of Business should contact their home institution's International Exchange Program Coordinator for detailed information on the application and selection process. For additional information on the Marshall MBA Program and courses, please contact the Marshall MBA International Exchange Manager, at the email address or phone number listed below.

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