



Your application

Thank you for considering the EMBA-Global programme. The information that follows will help you prepare your application and be a competitive candidate. You can start the process now and use this overview to:

- Plan your application activities
- Complete your essays for the EMBA-Global programme
- Gather the required documentation for your application.

When should I apply?

You can apply at any time with the rolling admissions process; the application dates below will help you plan your application timing. The sooner you apply, the sooner you receive a decision. Places are allocated on a rolling basis. Candidates who apply after the March deadline will be considered on a case by case basis.

Stage	Application to be submitted by
First deadline	October 14, 2026
Second deadline	January 12, 2027
Third deadline	March 12, 2027

We recommend that you submit your application as early as possible to allow time to organize your funding, apply for visas and complete your pre-enrolment workload.

Online application

Applications for EMBA-Global are completed online. Please visit the website for the latest information and to access the application form.

Full instructions are included within the online application system itself. The application is designed to be completed over several sessions. Once you create your username and password, you can work on your application at your own pace, saving your work as you go along. You will also be able to invite your referees to complete their reference forms on your behalf, and pay your application fee. Once you have submitted your application, you will be able to check your application status through the same system to see if your reference has been sent.

Who sees my application?

The system is password protected and secure. Your application materials will be seen by the Admissions Committees of the partner schools.

What's in the application?

- Personal data relating to yourself, including educational and employment history, resume, and test scores including tests of English proficiency
- Essays
- Letter of company support and reference from the line manager/ supervisor
- Academic documentation (transcripts and certificates) from your undergraduate and postgraduate educational experience.
- EA/GMAT/GRE*

*All EMBA candidates are encouraged to submit a valid standardized test score as part of the application process. Test scores are one helpful data point used in evaluating candidates. However, we also offer GMAT/EA/GRE waivers to exceptional candidates who are able to demonstrate the skills covered by the test through academic achievements and work experience. If you feel you may be eligible for a waiver please send your CV and your reason for a waiver request to embaglobal@london.edu.

An application is complete when the candidate has provided **all** the documents listed in the checklist, including the application fee. No offers can be made until all required items are received.

Planning your application

Review and choose your test.

Executive Assessment, GMAT and GRE are accepted.

- Book and take the [Executive Assessment](#) OR
- Book and take the GMAT test (www.mba.com/mba/TaketheGMAT) OR
- Book and take the GRE <http://www.ets.org/gre/>
- Book and take (if appropriate) a test of English language proficiency
- Choose your recommenders and brief them on the EMBA-Global programme
- Request transcripts and certificates and if appropriate arrange translation to English
- Arrange your letter of company support.

EMBA-Global essay questions

The essay questions help us build up a picture of you and what you can bring to the EMBA-Global class. There are no right or wrong answers and all information is important. We recommend that you observe the maximum word limit which has been indicated for each essay.

Essay 1 (maximum 500 words)

What motivates you to join the EMBA-Global program, and what are your immediate and future career aspirations?

Essay 2 (maximum 500 words)

In what ways do you exemplify the traits of a prospective global leader, and how do you cultivate a sense of community within your team and organization? The objective of this statement is to get a sense of who you are, rather than what you have achieved professionally.

Optional essay (maximum 500 words)

Is there something else you feel would be helpful for the Committee to know? An optional third essay will allow you to discuss any topics that do not fall within the purview of the required essays. It does not have to be formal, you can submit bullet points. These might include, but are not limited to:

- Adverse circumstances in your background
- An exciting side venture in which you are working
- Areas of concern in your academic record
- Or just a fun fact!

Recommendations

You will be asked to provide **one** letter of recommendation using the EMBA-Global form. This should be from your supervisor or immediate manager.

Letter of company support

A signed letter from an authorised sponsor stating the sponsorship agreement from the company must be submitted with your application. Candidates may be self-sponsored, but their employers are still required to support them in terms of time. Applicants must submit complete information on terms of sponsorship with the appropriate signature from an authorised sponsor. This may be the department head, president, CEO or human resources executive.

Example: Re: Sponsorship of John Doe

The XYZ Corporation is pleased to sponsor John Doe's application to the EMBA-Global programme. John will be completely released from his professional responsibilities on class days, his travel time will be kept at a minimum, and he will be paid his full salary while he is enrolled in the EMBA-Global programme.

The cost of the program will be paid by:

Please address billing statements to the following:

Name

Address

Your application checklist

1. Application form containing personal, employment, educational information
2. Two essays and an optional third one
3. One recommendation
4. Two-page CV/resume
5. EA/GMAT/GRE test score certificate
6. Test of English for non-native English speakers (we accept TOEFL/IELTS/PTE)
7. Transcripts of undergraduate/post graduate degrees. An English translation to be provided by an official translation agency. Original and translation to be sent.
8. Letter of support from company
9. Application fees of US\$250.

Contact

We can answer your questions about the programme or arrange for you to sit in on a class at London Business School or Columbia Business School. Please contact the relevant School – though we are always happy to hear from candidates who are travelling and want to visit, just give us a little notice.

London Business School

Email: embaglobal@london.edu

Columbia Business School

Email: apply@gsb.columbia.edu