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Context / Reason
The University Council is asked for advice on the application for additional requirements for Rotterdam School of Management's Bachelor International Business Administration (IBA, CROHO 50952) per 2023-24.

Jurisdiction UC / Question to the UC
<p>Right of advice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whw 7.26. Aanvullende Eisen Indien [...] de organisatie en de inrichting van het onderwijs, specifieke eisen stelt ten aanzien van kennis of vaardigheden die niet of niet in voldoende mate onderdeel zijn van het voortgezet onderwijs, [...], onderscheidenlijk specifieke eisen stelt ten aanzien van de eigenschappen van de student, kunnen bij ministeriële regeling opleidingen worden aangewezen die op daarbij aangegeven gronden eisen kunnen stellen in aanvulling op de eisen, bedoeld in artikel 7.24. Het instellingsbestuur stelt een regeling vast voor de selectiecriteria en -procedure. De selectiecriteria kunnen uitsluitend eisen bevatten die direct verband houden met de gronden, bedoeld in de eerste volzin.• Whw 9.33a. Adviesbevoegdheid universiteitsraad; adviesbevoegdheid studentengeleding Het college van bestuur vraagt voorafgaand advies van het deel van de universiteitsraad dat uit en door de studenten is gekozen, voor elk door het college van bestuur te nemen besluit in ieder geval met betrekking tot: (d) de regeling die het instellingsbestuur vaststelt voor de selectiecriteria en de selectieprocedure bedoeld in artikel 6.7a, eerste lid, onder b, onderscheidenlijk <u>artikel 7.26</u>, 7.26a en 7.53, derde lid, en voor zover het de selectieprocedure betreft artikel 7.30b, tweede lid.

Short Summary
<p>As laid out in Whw 7.26, it is possible to select prospective students for a bachelor programme if the educational concept of the programme imposes specific requirements in terms of knowledge, skills and the student's personal qualities. Pursuant to Whw 9.33a, the student section of the University Council has the right to be consulted in this respect.</p> <p><i>IBA's choice of additional requirements</i></p> <p>Due to its educational concept, IBA wishes to exercise its option to stipulate additional requirements as laid out in Whw 7.26. IBA's educational concept includes teaching in an international classroom and, consequently, it would like to align the composition of the student population with this concept. This educational concept provides sufficient grounds for submitting an application for additional requirements.</p> <p>The considerations when determining the choice of additional requirements were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ensuring a firm grip on procedure, so that the desired composition of the international classroom is achieved, giving performance criteria and personal characteristics and motivation equal weight.

2. The freedom to offer applicants a place in the programme on a rolling basis without having to wait until 15 April as is the case with a Numerus Fixus, thus better catering for the needs of a predominantly international applicant base.

Application procedure

The Minister of Education, Culture and Science decides whether a programme may stipulate additional requirements. If the decision is positive, the degree programme is included in the appendix of the [Regeling aanmelding en toelating hoger onderwijs](#) ('Rules governing application and admission to higher education institutions'). The NVAO (the Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders) advises the Minister on the basis of a protocol, see **appendix 5** (in Dutch). Universities may submit an application for additional requirements for bachelor programmes to be assessed by the NVAO.

In respect of IBA, the educational concept of the international classroom can be substantiated by the distinctive feature 'internationalisation' which was awarded to the programme in 2010. The Programme Committee and the Faculty Council of Rotterdam School of Management have discussed this application and issued positive advice (**appendices 3, 4**). Therefore, the Dean of RSM requested the Executive Board to submit IBA's application for additional requirements for assessment by the NVAO, see **appendix 1**.

EUR submits a one-off application to the Minister before 1 May of the calendar year prior to the relevant academic year, at the latest. The student section of the University Council has the right to be consulted in this respect. If any amendments are made after approval, the mandate regulations are applicable.

Follow-up process

- Submission of application file at NVAO, before 1 February 2022
- NVAO assesses application (desk research), consulting external experts if necessary
- Submission of request including NVAO's recommendation at Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, before 1 May 2022

Specifics

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Documents to be attached

1. Request from Dean RSM to Executive Board, PDF pp. 1-2
2. RSM application file additional requirements IBA, PDF pp. 3-34
3. Positive advice Programme Committee IBA, PDF pp. 35-36
4. Positive advice Faculty Council RSM, PDF p. 37
5. NVAO protocol additional requirements (in Dutch), PDF pp. 38-41