

Foreign Language studies at LBS in the Bachelor Program

This document will help you understand policy at Lauder Business School regarding which languages you may choose and the requirements for sitting them.

English is the language of instruction at Lauder Business School and therefore is not considered a 'foreign language'.

You can choose to learn one of the following languages: **Spanish, German (for beginners), Business German, Hebrew, Business Russian and Chinese (Mandarin)**. You have to choose between those languages and indicate your **first and second language choice on the application form**. Regarding these languages, at the end of your studies, you can expect to be at A2 level.

Regarding these foreign languages, you should note the following points:

(i) During the course of the studies **NO CHANGES** between languages will be permitted.

(ii) In order for you to study Spanish, Hebrew, or Chinese it is important that you have no, or at least only a minimal, pre-knowledge of the language. You will, however, be permitted to study the language if you:

- ✓ have studied the language for up to - but not more than - two years at high school and/or
- ✓ have lived in the relevant country for up to - but not more than - one year

(iii) **Exception: German (for beginners):** You will be permitted to study German (for beginners) if you have no, or at the most the following knowledge:

- ✓ have a certificate proving that your knowledge of German is up to A1 and/or
- ✓ have lived in a German speaking country for up to – but not more than – one year and/or
- ✓ have studied German for up to – but not more than – three years at high school

(iv) Business German starts at A2 level, at the end of your studies you can expect to be at B2 level. Applicants' written and oral command of the language will be evaluated in the first study week.

(v) Business Russian starts at A2 level. If an insufficient number of students register for this course a Russian (for beginners) course with min. 12 students will be offered. The language command will be evaluated in the first study week.

(iv) If, in the unlikely case, you know all languages, you should sit the language in which you are weakest.

Notwithstanding these conditions the final decision as to whether a student with language pre-knowledge can take a language rests with the teacher of the course.