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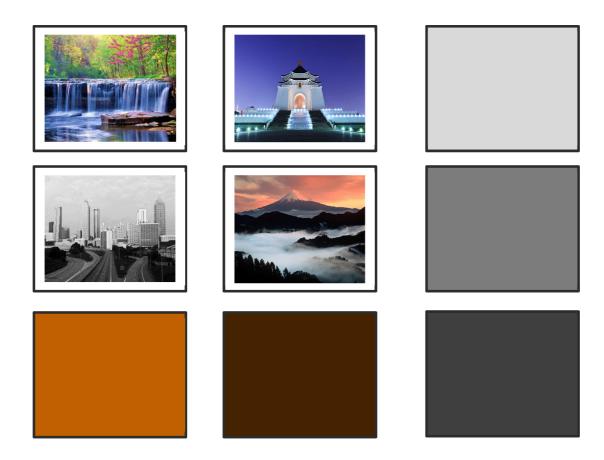
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# ABOUT THE PROGRAM



# About the Program

In the tradition of expanding students' experience and knowledge within the scope of higher education, SolBridge actively engages in 1+1 transfers with its partner universities. This document is meant to serve as a guide for students interested in applying for 1+1 programs. In this document, students can find definitions, requirements, and obligations of SolBridge 1+1 programs.



 $<sup>^*</sup>$  Pictures from cities where 1+1 program partner universities are located. From top left to right: Indiana, USA | Taipei, Taiwan | Georgia, USA | Tokyo, Japan



## **Program Requirements and Procedures**

The outbound student 1+1 program provides SolBridge students with the opportunity to complete 50% of their studies at SolBridge and complete the remaining 50% at a partner university. Students can obtain two degrees at the completion of the 1+1 program. In order to qualify to participate in the program, students must fulfill the criteria set by SolBridge and the host university.

Generally, students who participate in the 1+1 program are not required to pay any fees to SolBridge after they transfer to the partner university, and any scholarships held at SolBridge prior to the transfer are void. In some instances however, the agreement between SolBridge and the host university may require students to continue to pay tuition at SolBridge. Students are advised to consult with the Study Abroad Office about payment terms and scholarships before applying.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

In order to apply for an outbound 1+1 program, students must meet the following SolBridge criteria:

	Minimum Credits Earned <sup>1</sup>	Regular Semesters Completed
MBA	24	2

Students should also ensure that they meet the host university's admission requirements. Requirements vary by university so students should visit the host university's website for the most up-to-date information on admission requirements. The following GPA and English proficiency scores are recommended by SolBridge:

	Recommended Cumulative GPA	Recommended TOEFL Score
MBA	3.0	550

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If students do not meet the minimum credits requirement at the time of application, they are still eligible to apply for the 1+1 program as long as they are able to complete the required minimum BEFORE the start of semester at the host university.



#### **PROCEDURE**

- 1. Check the eligibility requirements of SolBridge and the host university. Inform the Study Abroad Office of your decision to apply to determine course you need to take at SolBridge to be eligible to apply.
- 2. Submit the SolBridge outbound application at least 2 weeks before the application deadline along with the following required documents. Applications will be processed on a first-come-first-served basis:
  - a. SolBridge transcript
  - b. One clear copy of the student's passport ID page
  - c. TOEFL/IELTS/TOEIC score report<sup>2</sup>
  - d. Two photographs
  - e. Copy of alien registration card (international students only)
  - f. Signed payment agreement (if applicable).

Please note that there might be a limit on the number of students that can be nominated to a partner school. When several applications are received for the same school, students will be selected based on their GPA and time of application submission. In the case where two students have equivalent GPA, the student who submitted their application earlier will be selected. This does not apply to students who submit their application after the stated deadline. Please consult with the Study Abroad Office for further information on selection criteria.

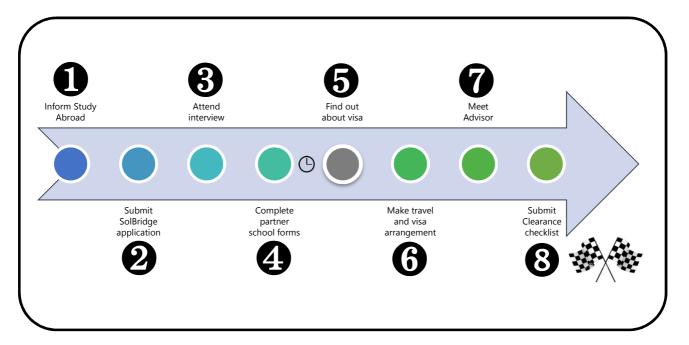
- 3. Within one week after submission of the application, you will be invited for an interview with SolBridge's Admissions Manager if you are eligible to apply.
- 4. If you successfully pass the interview, you will be asked to fill out application forms of the host university. Submit all forms and supporting documents to the Study Abroad Office for sending to the host university. You will be notified of the admissions decision within two to four weeks of submission.
- 5. While waiting for the admissions decision, start finding out about the application process and processing times for the host country visa. In addition, pay any advance fees required by host school (visa deposit, dorm deposit, etc.). Also, complete an online registration of courses if applicable.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Students must have their English scores ready at the time of application. If students do not have their test scores at the time of application, their application will not be considered. Native speakers however, are not required to submit scores if they do not have test scores



- 6. If accepted at the host university, submit a copy of your acceptance/admission letter to the Study Abroad Office. Also, submit your visa application and make necessary travel arrangements keeping in mind the orientation and semester start dates at the host university. From this point on, you can start communicating directly with the host university.
- 7. Schedule a meeting with your CAP advisor to discuss your plans about studying abroad. Please make sure to meet with and inform your CAP advisor as he/she will be responsible for approving your application for studying abroad. You may contact the Career Development Center (CDC) if you need information about your CAP advisor.
- **8.** After travel arrangements have been made, complete the Clearance Checklist and submit to the Student Services Manager before your departure. Inform the Study Abroad Office and the host university of your travel dates.

### **Overview of Application Procedure**





#### **CREDIT ARTICULATIONS**

Students participating in a 1+1 program are required to send official copies of their transcripts to the SolBridge Study Abroad Office each semester to maintain their academic status at SolBridge. Upon completion of the program, students are required to submit official copies of their final transcript and a copy of their diploma to the SolBridge Study Abroad Office to obtain a SolBridge degree. Students are also required to apply for graduation and complete the graduation checklist to obtain their SolBridge degree.

#### **LENGTH OF STUDY**

Students will study at the host university for the agreed time one year so long as they do not violate the laws of the host country or policies of the host university. Students might have to spend an additional semester at the host university if they do not transfer enough credits or if they fail to pass required courses at the host university.

#### WITHDRAWING FROM THE PROGRAM

Students can withdraw from the program at any point during or after the application. However, students must inform the host university of their decision and must also submit the Withdrawal form to the Study Abroad Office to obtain official approval. Students are encouraged to carefully consider their decision before submitting an application so that withdrawals can be avoided.

### **OBLIGATIONS**

- 1. Students must keep the Study Abroad Office informed of their enrollment status at the host university each semester. If students take a leave from the host university (e.g. military, health, general, etc.), students must duly inform the Study Abroad Office of their intentions within the first few weeks of the given semester. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from obtaining a SolBridge degree.
- 2. After transferring to the host university, students become the responsibility of the host university and must comply with the host university's rules and regulations. Students are subject to the host university's disciplinary actions and will be liable for any damages caused by them to the host university's property. The same applies to the host country's laws and its penal system. Students may be expelled from the host university or have their visa revoked by breaking the host country's laws or the host university's rules.
- 3. Students are responsible for their expenses. This includes books, residence, flights or other costs which they may incur while studying at the host institution. SolBridge is under no obligation to provide financial support to students after they have transferred to the partner university.
- 4. Students are responsible for applying for and obtaining visas to exit Korea and enter the host country. The Study Abroad Office will offer general guidance and provide official documentation if necessary but



will not be held liable if a student's visa application is rejected or if a student is unable to obtain a visa on time.

5. Students must submit transcripts from the host university to SolBridge in a timely manner to process the articulation of credits towards their SolBridge degree. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from obtaining a SolBridge degree.

#### IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Students must recognize expectations and standards vary from university to university and country to
  country, therefore, performance at SolBridge may not always be a predictor of performance elsewhere.
  While studying at the host university, students should meet the host's expectations and they should be
  aware of these expectations before arrival or soon after. Although efforts are taken to ensure that
  students who best represent SolBridge are selected, their performance may not always be what was
  expected or hoped for.
- 2. Students cannot apply to a host university that does not have a 1+1 agreement with SolBridge. If students wish to apply to such a university, the students may apply for *regular academic transfer* and must complete the school drop-out form. Students should consult with the Study Abroad Office before applying to such universities.
- 3. Students who wish to participate in a 1+1 program should not participate in exchange program during their time at SolBridge.
- 4. An English certificate, when required by the host university, may be provided only for students who submit official English scores (or genuine online results) and successfully pass the initial screening interview.

### WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

Students enrolled as transfer students at SolBridge are not eligible to apply to the 1+1 program. In addition, students who have previously participated in an exchange program are also not eligible to apply unless they give up credits they earned during the exchange.



### **PARTNER UNIVERSITIES**

## **UNIVERSITIES INFORMATION**

Georgia State University, USA

http://www.gsu.edu/

Meiji University\*\*\*, Japan

http://www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/

National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan

http://www.mba.ntnu.edu.tw/

National Yunlin University of Science and Technology, Taiwan

http://www.yuntech.edu.tw/english/

Valparaiso University, USA

http://www.valpo.edu/

\*\*\* Tuition paid at SolBridge. Consult with Study Abroad Office about scholarship terms.

For a complete list of universities, please write to: studyabroad@solbridge.ac.kr

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## Frequently Asked Questions

- Can I apply to a university that does not have a 1+1 agreement with SolBridge?
   Yes, but your application will be treated as a regular transfer application because credits are not transferrable without an agreement and the Study Abroad Office will not assist you with the application. You must apply to drop out of SolBridge if you choose to apply to such a university
- 2. Can I submit TOEFL instead of IELTS or other?

  Generally, yes, unless TOEFL is specifically required by the partner university. You may use the equivalency tables below for reference only::

BBA		
TOEFL IBT	61	
TOEFL PBT	500	
TOEFL CBT	173	
IELTS	5.5	
TOEIC	600	
CET-6	Pass	
TEM-4	Pass	
TEPS	550	

MBA		
TOEFL IBT	79	
TOEFL PBT	550	
TOEFL CBT	213	
IELTS	6.5	
TOEIC	800	
CET-6	Pass	
TEM-4	Pass	
TEPS	650	

- Can I withdraw from a program after being accepted?
   Yes, but you must inform the host university and you must also submit the Withdrawal form to the Study Abroad office for approval
- Can I return to SolBridge after withdrawing from a 1+1 program?
   Yes, but you might have to follow additional procedures before returning. Consult with the Study Abroad Office before returning.
- 5. Do I need to complete all courses in the articulation tables of the university I am applying to?

  Yes, unless otherwise stated. Note that you MUST complete all REQUIRED courses. The advantage of taking all courses in the articulations tables is that you can transfer more credits to the host institution and so spend a shorter time in completing your studies. Consult with the Study Abroad Office regarding credit transfer before applying.

# PARTNER UNIVERSITY FACT SHEET



Please note that the following factsheets are provided for reference purposes only. For the most up-to-date information on requirements and deadlines, please visit the partner university website.

Georgia State University, Atlanta	
Location	Georgia, <b>USA</b>
Program	1+1 (Master of International Business)
English Proficiency	TOEFL iBT 101 or IELTS 7
Cumulative GPA	Refer to GSU website *GMAT 550 or GRE 150 in each section required
Application Procedure	http://iib.robinson.gsu.edu/academic-programs/mib-on e-year/
Deadlines	<b>Spring</b> : September 15
Application Form	https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl_ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=robinson *\$50 application fee
Supplementary Documents	GMAT/GRE, Resume, Essay, Letter of recommendation *Applicants interviewed by GSU
Estimated Costs	\$37,500 paid in three installments based on course I oad (includes tuition and other expenses such as iPad, textbooks, e-books, and materials, meals, snacks/drinks, etc.)
Required SolBridge Courses	Refer to Articulation Tables

# PARTNER UNIVERSITY FACT SHEET



Meiji University, Japan	
Location	Tokyo, <b>Japan</b>
Program	1+1 (Master of Business Administration) *General MBA
English Proficiency	TOEFL (IBT) 60 / TOEFL 500
Cumulative GPA	2.7 out of 4.0
Application Procedure	Contact Study Abroad Office at SolBridge *MBA 1 <sup>st</sup> year students are eligible to apply
Deadlines	Fall: May 20   Spring: September 30
Application Form	Paper application
Supplementary	Contact Study Abroad Office at SolBridge for list of documents

\*Applicants interviewed by Meiji via Skype

\$5,690 per semester (paid to SolBridge)

Courses: BUS503, FIN500, MKT500, BUS509, FIN501,

\*SolBridge scholarship applicable \*\$600-700 average monthly expenses

INF500, BUS508, IMM505B

Grade: Pass

**Documents** 

**Estimated Costs** 

Required SolBridge

Courses

# PARTNER UNIVERSITY FACT SHEET



Valparaiso University, USA	
Location	Indiana, <b>USA</b>
Program	1+1 (Master of Science/Master of Arts) MS in International Commerce and Policy MS in International Economics and Finance MS in Sports Administration MA in Arts and Entertainment Administration MS in Information Technology  *7-month Optional Practical Training at US-based corporation after completing degree
English Proficiency	Not Required
Cumulative GPA	3.0 out of 4.5
Application Procedure	http://www.valpo.edu/mba/admissions.php
Deadlines	Fall: June 20   Spring: November 1
Application Form	www.valpo.edu/grad/apply/
Supplementary Documents	Reflective essay, Two letters of recommendation, Transcripts (from undergraduate work and SolBridge MBA work – soft copy acceptable), Copy of passport, Bank Statement
Estimated Costs	<b>\$28,434 per year</b> (including housing, books, meal, and oth er expenses) *Scholarship not available for international students <a href="http://www.valpo.edu/grad/international/admission.php">http://www.valpo.edu/grad/international/admission.php</a>
Required SolBridge Courses	Refer to Articulation Tables

For additional fact sheets, please write to studyabroad@solbridge.ac.kr

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**



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For general inquiries about 1+1 programs, please write to: studyabroad@solbridge.ac.kr.

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