



Smith Commerce Double Degree

Fact Sheet 2026–27



INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

130+ Business Schools

45+ Regions

500+ International exchange students welcomed annually

600+ Smith students participate in international programs annually

Why Choose Smith for your Double Degree?

- Smith offers a **top-tier academic environment** with highly engaged, award-winning faculty, industry experts, and dynamic teaching.
- You'll gain a **global business education**. While learning alongside international classmates, Smith faculty also integrate real world examples, providing a dynamic curriculum that is enhanced by international perspectives.
- **Strong support and community** including small class sizes, personalized student advising, active student clubs, and a welcoming environment for exchange and international students making settling in easier.
- Kingston offers a **vibrant student life** with nearly 30,000 students studying within the small size city each year. Featuring a bustling downtown just steps from campus, students can find lively cafés and restaurants, concerts, festivals, and outdoor recreation to enjoy.
- Queen's University is **ranked #1 in Canada and 6th globally** in the 2025 Times Higher Impact Rankings for its contributions to advancing the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).





Nomination and Application Information

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| Nomination Deadline | March 1 |
| Application Deadline | March 30 |

Commerce Double Degree Eligibility

Incoming double degree students entering their second year of their undergraduate program will be eligible to apply through their home university. Admission requirements to the double degree program are defined by the home institution. Students must be regularly enrolled for the duration of the program in a bachelor's degree, as per the partnership agreement with student's home institution.

English Proficiency Requirements

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| Internet-based TOEFL | 88 Home Edition accepted |
| Paper-based TOEFL | 580 Home Edition accepted |
| International English Language Testing System (IELTS) | 6.5 |
| Canadian Academic English Language Assessment (CAEL) | 70 |
| Pearson Test of English (PTE) | 60 |
| Duolingo English Test | 120 |
| Cambridge English | 175 |

Courses are taught in English, thus students are required to have a high level of English proficiency. In cases where a student just falls short of the minimum requirements, yet can present official verification of English proficiency from their home institution, an inquiry can be made to the Centre for International Management for further consideration.



*For more details, please review the [Queen's University English Proficiency Requirements](#)

Academic Information

| Important Dates | Fall 2026* | Winter 2027* |
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| Course Dates | September–December | January–April |
| Exam Period ** | December (end before December 25 – Christmas holiday) | April |
| No classes or Exams | October 12 (Thanksgiving) Mid-October (Mid-term Break Week) | February 15 (Family Day) Mid-February (Reading Week) March 26 (Good Friday) |
| Orientation Mandatory*** | End of August/Beginning of September | Beginning of January |
| Transcripts Available | Sent directly to partner school in January | Sent directly to partner school in June |

* Dates are not yet finalized.

** Exam Period (Avoid booking travel until exam schedule is finalized in mid-October (Fall) / mid-February (Winter))

*** Orientation Dates will be shared with incoming students after students are admitted into the program.



Course Information

- The course structure will be dictated by the agreement with the student's home institution.
- Incoming Double Degree students will be able to take a combination of Commerce courses and some non-Commerce electives from the Faculty of Arts and Science.
- Review the list of [Commerce courses](#)
- Review the list of [Faculty of Arts and Science courses](#)

Note: Exact course availability will be confirmed during the application process. All courses are subject to availability, and prerequisites may apply.

Grading Scale

View [Queen's University Grading Scale](#).

Academic Accommodations are available to students.

For more information, visit the [Queen's Student Accessibility Services \(QSAS\)](#).

Workload

- 36 Contact hours per course (equivalent to 6.5–7 ECTS)
- Each classroom hour, students should plan for approximately 3 hours of additional independent and/or teamwork
- Double Degree students must follow the course load requirements agreed upon between their home school and Smith School of Business

Class Format

- Small class sizes between 55–89 students per class.
- Variety of teaching methods to form a well-rounded learning environment, including lectures, presentations, teamwork, simulations, and case studies.
- Attendance is mandatory for all classes.
- Students are encouraged to be active participants; most classes will include a participation grade.

Living Expenses & Housing

| Expenses* | Per Month |
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| Off-Campus Housing (includes utilities) | \$720-\$1,380 |
| Food | \$450 |
| Textbooks & Supplies | \$50-\$150 per course |
| Phone | \$35-\$65 |
| Miscellaneous (not including additional travel) | At least \$355 |

**Fees are based on the 2025-2026 academic year and are approximations. Mandatory fees will automatically be applied to each student's account.*

On-campus residence is not available. For more information on finding accommodations, review [Queen's housing resources](#) or contact the [Off-Campus Living Advisor \(OCLA\)](#).

Health Insurance

Mandatory: University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP)

UHIP medical insurance offers coverage for basic services like emergency hospital visits and physical examinations. UHIP does not cover supplementary medical services, such as dental work or physiotherapy. International students must have primary health insurance provided by UHIP for the duration of their time in Canada. Fees are subject to change from year to year.

Students who hold a Canadian citizenship and are studying from another country may still be eligible for UHIP depending on period of stay. Please email bcomglobal@queensu.ca for more information.

Fees (based on 2025/26 rate and are approximate)

Annual Coverage: \$792

Mandatory fees will automatically be applied to each student's account.

Supplementary Medical Insurance: Private international medical insurance is recommended for supplementary medical coverage.

Study Permit

A study permit is required for anyone who wants to study in Canada for six months or more. All double-degree students must obtain a [study permit](#).

[BorderPass Immigration Support](#) is available.

Questions about permits and visas? Visit [Queen's University International Centre](#) or contact a QUIC International Student Advisor (ISA) at isa@queensu.ca.

Student Services

Student Card & free city transit

A Queen's student card will provide students with access to free use of Kingston Transit and access to facilities listed below.

- [Athletic and Recreation Centre](#)
- [Campus Bookstore](#)
- [Libraries](#)
- [Student Wellness Services](#)
- [Student Academic Success Services](#)
- [Dining Halls and Eateries](#)
- [Queen's School of English](#)
- [Queen's University International Centre \(QUIC\)](#)
- [Commerce Society and Commerce Global Network \(CGN\)](#)
- [Off-Campus Living Advisors \(OCLA\)](#)
- [Smith's Career Advancement Centre \(CAC\)](#)
(available to Double Degree students only)
- [Smith Connect \(Alumni network\)](#)
- [Computer Services: Goodes Hall, home to Smith School of Business](#), has wireless network access throughout the building, and a full-service IT department.





Life in Kingston



A short video to show you
what living in Kingston is like!



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Acknowledgement of Territory

Smith School of Business at Queen's University is situated on traditional Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Territory. We are grateful to be able to live, learn and play on these lands.

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Emergency Contact Information

Outside office hours (weekends and holidays):
please call campus security at +1.613.533.6111

They will contact the appropriate personnel
to provide assistance. This service is available
24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Centre for International Management (CIM)

The Centre for International Management at Smith School of Business coordinates the global activities within the school. This includes managing relationships with business school partners and overseeing our suite of exchange and double degree programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

