THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH BUSINESS SCHOOL IS A FANTASTIC PLACE TO DO YOUR DOCTORAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOP THE SKILLS NEEDED FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE CAREER

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My PhD journey and my time at the University of Edinburgh Business School has been one of the most exciting and personally enriching experiences in my life. Being awarded with one of the prestigious Principal Development Scholarships that the programme offers, I have been able to focus fully on developing my research capabilities and producing exciting and impactful research work. The programme also offered me an opportunity to learn and work closely with some of the best experts in the Strategy and Organisation field. Their mentorship and friendship are by far some of the best gifts I have ever received.

Dr Veselina Stoyanova
Welcome

The University of Edinburgh Business School, located in one of the world’s leading universities, has an outstanding doctoral programme. With approximately 130 students from around the world, we are able to provide internationally renowned doctoral supervisors, excellent facilities, and a vibrant research culture.

Our students work on projects across six broadly defined areas - Accounting and Finance, Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Management Science and Business Economics, Marketing, Organisation Studies, and Strategy – so there are opportunities to work with groups of like-minded scholars in whichever discipline you choose. We also have several interdisciplinary centres and working groups that, collectively, will allow you to develop your ideas in a supportive and productive environment. In addition to the scholarships awarded to many of our students, we offer generous support to fund travel to conferences around the world.

Thank you for your interest in the University of Edinburgh. When you have read through this brochure, please contact us to discuss how we can help you further your research interests.

Professor John Amis
Director of the Doctoral Programme

A PhD is for life

Completing a PhD will be one of the most rewarding experiences of your life. Upon entry into our programme, you will be surrounded by talented colleagues who are experts in their field. This in turn will allow you to develop a unique research programme that is centred on your academic interests, and supported by those around you. Our objective is that when you graduate as an alumnus of the University of Edinburgh Business School, you will enjoy international recognition for your achievement.
What our school offers
We are triple-accredited by AMBA, EQUIS and AACSB, something attained by only 1% of Business Schools around the world. You will be entering one of the world’s top 25 universities with staff and doctoral students from 58 countries. One-third of our academic staff are Professors, enhancing our position as a research-driven institution with established collaborations in the business world and wider community. We are leaders in a diverse range of research areas and our academic faculty and research students regularly publish in the world’s leading 4* journals.

What our PhD programme offers
Our PhD students work closely with their supervisors and are offered top level training opportunities. We encourage our students to design and develop their own research strategies in conjunction with their supervisors, pursue original lines of thought, and present novel research findings. We strongly encourage, and support, our students to publish during their programme. A large number of seminars and workshops delivered by eminent experts from around the world are available throughout the year providing ample opportunity for advanced learning and networking. The Doctoral Society ensures that there are social opportunities and contributes strongly to the positive culture in the School.
Edinburgh. A city with spark.

What our location offers

The University of Edinburgh is the 6th oldest university in the English-speaking world and houses some of Edinburgh’s most beautiful historic buildings. The Business School was established in 1918 and our new home was refurbished and upgraded in 2009 at a cost of £17 million. Our building boasts modern surroundings that offer dedicated doctoral research spaces, syndicate rooms, an exclusive knowledge base with specialist research databases and online journals, and state-of-the-art facilities. We are located in the heart of Central Campus in George Square, right next to the Central Library. Student flats and halls of residence, the Meadows park, Arthur’s Seat and Holyrood Park, the Centre for Sport and Exercise, and Princes Street are only a few minutes’ walk away.

The faculty is devoted to world-class research and creates a stimulating and supportive environment for our vibrant and diverse community of young researchers.

Kristina Auxtova PhD student
Your research journey.

Students graduate with a PhD in Management, Finance or Accounting. Your two supervisors will help to guide you throughout your degree and there is a dedicated administrative team to assist you throughout. In your first year you will undertake core and optional courses worth 120 credits to fully equip you for your research journey.

UEBS research areas

Our school has significant research expertise in the following areas:

- Accounting and Finance
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Management Science and Business Economics
- Marketing
- Organisation Studies
- Strategy

Our faculty are also involved in the following research centres:

- Centre for Accounting & Society
- Centre for Business and Climate Change
- Centre for Entrepreneurship Research
- Centre for Service Excellence
- Centre for Strategic Leadership
- Credit Research Centre
- Edinburgh Strategic Resilience Initiative
- Institute for Public Sector Accounting Research
- Sustainable Business Initiative

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Scholarships
We offer a range of very competitive scholarship and funding opportunities which are awarded annually.

Scholarships are advertised well in advance of the entry date. Eligibility and closing dates vary so it is recommended to check our website regularly.

Our students are also offered the opportunity from the second year of the programme to undertake paid teaching and research roles.

Entry to the programme
Admission to the programme is competitive which ensures you are surrounded by other excellent students who together create a supportive and productive environment.

You will be guided through the entry process by our dedicated staff to help ensure that the admissions process is as smooth as possible.

Application details
All applicants must submit a complete online application by the closing date in order to be considered for entry. We encourage early application as places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are subject to visa requirements, we recommend that you apply no later than four months prior to the programme start date. Our programme begins in September.

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