CEMS MIM SELECTION RULES AT SGH

2026 SELECTION FOR 2026/2027 A.Y.
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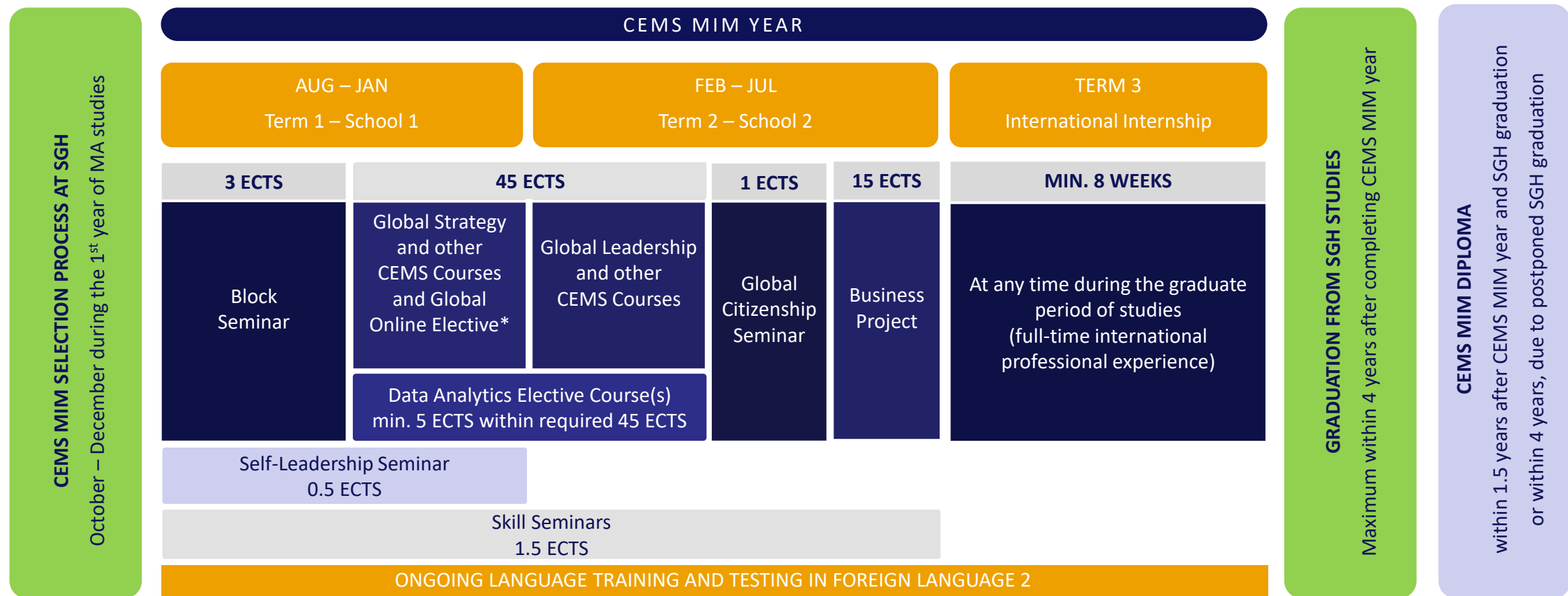
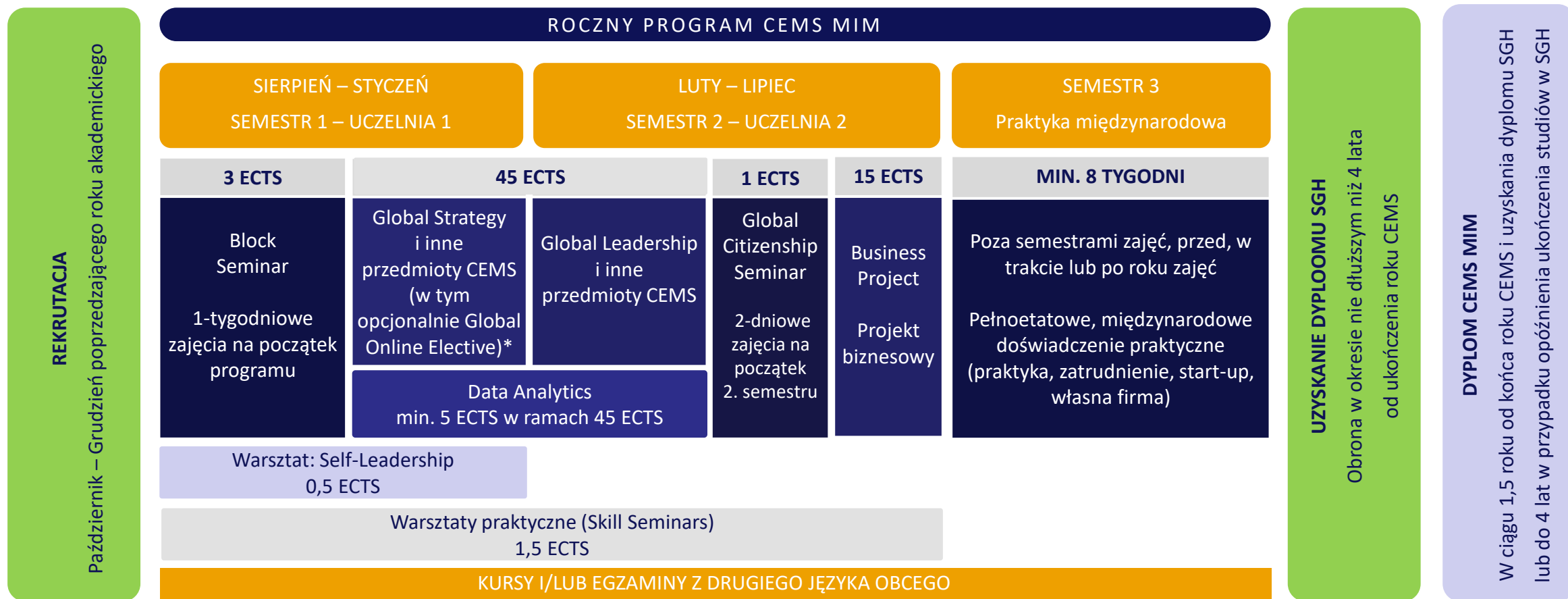Top-ranked Master's in Management in the world

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CEMS at Glance

2026/ 2027 Course Structure

CEMS MIM SELECTION PROCESS AT SGH
October – December during the 1st year of MA studies

CEMS MIM YEAR

AUG – JAN	FEB – JUL	TERM 3
Term 1 – School 1	Term 2 – School 2	International Internship

3 ECTS	45 ECTS		1 ECTS	15 ECTS	MIN. 8 WEEKS
Block Seminar	Global Strategy and other CEMS Courses and Global Online Elective*	Global Leadership and other CEMS Courses	Global Citizenship Seminar	Business Project	At any time during the graduate period of studies (full-time international professional experience)

Data Analytics Elective Course(s) min. 5 ECTS within required 45 ECTS

Self-Leadership Seminar
0.5 ECTS

Skill Seminars
1.5 ECTS

ONGOING LANGUAGE TRAINING AND TESTING IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE 2

GRADUATION FROM SGH STUDIES
Maximum within 4 years after completing CEMS MIM year

CEMS MIM DIPLOMA
within 1.5 years after CEMS MIM year and SGH graduation
or within 4 years, due to postponed SGH graduation

*) *The student may take one Global Online Elective course offered by neither the home nor the host school.*

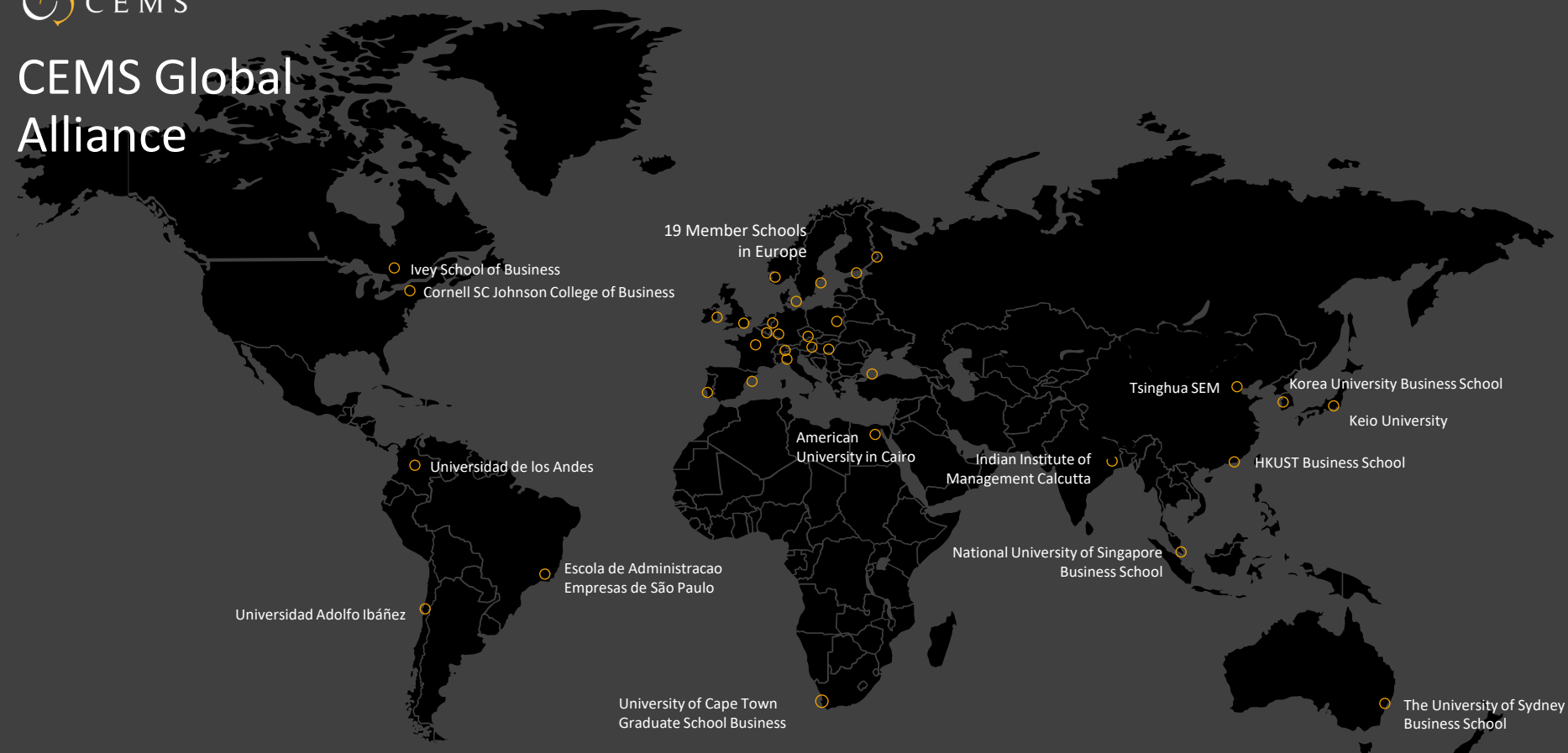# Ramowy program studiów CEMS MIM od r. akad. 2026/ 2027

REKRUTACJA
Październik – Grudzień poprzedzającego roku akademickiego

ROCZNY PROGRAM CEMS MIM

SIERPIEŃ – STYCZEŃ SEMESTR 1 – UCZELNIA 1	LUTY – LIPIEC SEMESTR 2 – UCZELNIA 2	SEMESTR 3 Praktyka międzynarodowa

3 ECTS	45 ECTS	1 ECTS	15 ECTS	MIN. 8 TYGODNI
Block Seminar 1-tygodniowe zajęcia na początek programu	Global Strategy i inne przedmioty CEMS (w tym opcjonalnie Global Online Elective)* · Global Leadership i inne przedmioty CEMS · Data Analytics min. 5 ECTS w ramach 45 ECTS	Global Citizenship Seminar 2-dniowe zajęcia na początek 2. semestru	Business Project Projekt biznesowy	Poza semestrami zajęć, przed, w trakcie lub po roku zajęć Pełnoetatowe, międzynarodowe doświadczenie praktyczne (praktyka, zatrudnienie, start-up, własna firma)

Warsztat: Self-Leadership
0,5 ECTS

Warsztaty praktyczne (Skill Seminars)
1,5 ECTS

KURSY I/LUB EGZAMINY Z DRUGIEGO JĘZYKA OBCEGO

UZYSKANIE DYPLOOMU SGH
Obrona w okresie nie dłuższym niż 4 lata od ukończenia roku CEMS

DYPLOM CEMS MIM
W ciągu 1,5 roku od końca roku CEMS i uzyskania dyplomu SGH lub do 4 lat w przypadku opóźnienia ukończenia studiów w SGH

*) Student może zrealizować jeden przedmiot Global Online Elective oferowany przez uczelnię inną niż macierzysta lub w której realizuje semestr za granicą.

Our European Roots – 19 member schools

Norwegian School of Economics

Aalto University School of Business

Stockholm School of Economics

Copenhagen Business School

UCD Smurfit Graduate Business School

The London School of Economics

RSM Erasmus University

SGH, Warsaw School of Economics

Louvain School of Management

University of Cologne

Prague University of Economics and Business

HEC Paris

Corvinus University of Budapest

University of St. Gallen

Bocconi University

WU, Vienna University of Economics and Business

ESADE Business School

Koç

Nova School of Business & Economics

CEMS

CEMS Global Alliance

19 Member Schools in Europe

Ivey School of Business
Cornell SC Johnson College of Business

Tsinghua SEM

Korea University Business School

Keio University

American University in Cairo

Indian Institute of Management Calcutta

HKUST Business School

Universidad de los Andes

Escola de Administracao Empresas de São Paulo

National University of Singapore Business School

Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez

University of Cape Town Graduate School Business

The University of Sydney Business School

CEMS SGH

The Global Master's Programme…

EUROPE

- Aalto University, School of Business, Finland
- Bocconi University, Milan, Italy
- Copenhagen Business School , Denmark
- Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary
- ESADE Business School, Barcelona, Spain
- HEC School of Management, Paris, France
- Koç University, Graduate School of Business, Istanbul, Turkey
- London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
- Louvain School of Management, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium
- Norwegian School of Management & Business Administration (NHH), Bergen, Norway
- Nova School of Business and Economics, Lisbon, Portugal
- Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands
- SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland
- Stockholm School of Economics, Sweden
- UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate Business School, Dublin, Ireland
- Universität St. Gallen, Switzerland
- Universität zu Köln, Cologne, Germany
- VSE Prague University of Economics and Business, Czechia
- WU Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien, Vienna, Austria

ASIA

- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, School of Business
- Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta, India
- Keio University, Tokyo, Japan
- Korea University Business School, Seoul, Rep. of Korea
- National University of Singapore
- Tsinghua University, School of Economics and Management, Beijing, P.R. China

AMERICAS

- Cornell S.C. Johnson College of Business, Ithaca NY, U.S.A.
- Fundaçao Getulio Vargas, EAESP São Paulo, Brasil
- Ivey Business School at Western University, London, Ontario, Canada
- Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Santiago, Chile
- Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia

AFRICA

- American University in Cairo, Egypt
- University of Cape Town, Graduate School of Business, Rep. of South Africa

AUSTRALIA & OCEANIA

- University of Sydney, Business School, Australia

... deeply rooted in practice with CSR approach

Study Hard! – Play Hard!

- Participating in CEMS Master since 1996

- Full member since 1998

- 40+ students selected every year

- 921 graduates to date

- 314 incoming CEMS students to date

Study Hard! – Play Hard!

- Challenging Courses & Business Projects

- Extremely active and successful CEMS Club and a dedicated group of CEMS Alumni

- Two-time CEMS School of the Year in 2016-2017 and 2022/2023

- #2 School in 2021-2022

- GMP course of the Year 2016-2017

- #2 Business Project in 2019-2020 (with Mastercard)

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Selection rules

Who is elegible?

First year, full-time SGH students of Master's Programme of ANY major

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WHO..

- will have still 2 semesters of studies left at the beginning of 2026/2027 academic year. Students of 2nd-semester must declare semester-off in Spring 2025/2026, and 3rd-semester students must be already on year-off!

Entry requirements

- English: CEMS-approved, selected commercial tests or university degree.
- Optional (not required on entry but extra points assigned): 2nd Foreign Language: SGH-approved commercial tests or CNJO Language Competence tests, CNJO Certificate, secondary (B2)/higher education (C1) in other foreign languages.
- Duly completed online applications (ICR at SGH and CEMS) with ranking all 32 schools for term Abroad, regardless you are interested or can afford going to a particular destination.
- Uploaded documents (into CEMS system): language Certificates, CV, Motivational Video (both in pre-defined formats), previous studies transcript of records and diploma (students of SGH majors in English or admitted as foreigners to SGH), Mother Tongue Declaration Form(s), Request to accept a choice of the school in the country of your citizenship/residence or last graduation (if applies), etc.

Entry requirements

Important:

- Possibility to declare more than one mother tongue and to convert one of these as a second language (unless it is English) if a student has proof of fluency in the declared language.
- All students must sign and submit with application the Mother tongue Declaration Form(s) (MDF).

New in this edition!

The necessity to rank all 32 schools for term Abroad. No „picky" selections!

Student Performance

- Points will be granted credits based **solely** on their admission result **regardless of the semester** of studies pursued.

- Graduates of SGH BA studies admitted based on high GPA, will get their points based on that GPA.

- Students admitted based on the Test of Knowledge in Economy (WOG) will get their points based on test results.

- Students admitted to SGH as foreigners (no entry test/score) will get the selection points based on their GPA of the last graduated studies translated into SGH grading system.

Student Performance – Calculation of points

GPA (from BA studies at SGH)

Minimum GPA required: 3.80

(GPA – 3.40) × 25

SGH Entry Test - WOG (updated formula)

Minimum test result: 40

(Test result – 20) × 0.5

Admitted to SGH as foreigners:

GPA (last graduated university)

Minimum GPA: **3.75**

GPA	Selection points
≥ 3.75 – 4.20	15.00
≥ 4.20 – 4.60	27.50
> 4.60	40.00

Languages - FL1

ENGLISH (minimum score required)
- TOEFL (PBT600/CBT250/iBT100)
- IELTS Academic (7.0)
- CAE (B);
- CPE – C1 Certificate
- BEC Higher (Grade B)
- PTE Academic (68)
- GCSE (A-level) issued in Singapore
- Exemption: University degree from entirely English taught programme from CEMS or EQUIS/AACSB Int'l accredited school or issued in English-speaking country.

OTHER LANGUAGES (if English is a candidate's mother tongue) at B1 level (minimum)
- CNJO Language Competence Tests (passed in 2022 or later), CNJO Certificates or approved certificates in other languages
- HOME versions of certified exams will be accepted!

Languages – FL2

- University degree – incl. philology and applied linguistics studies (C1)
- Secondary education in the given language (B2), or
- Secondary degree of bilingual school (B2), if there is an official document issued by the Embassy of the given country stating that a candidate may apply to universities in that country without any further proof of proficiency, or
- CNJO Certificate (B1 minimum), or
- CNJO Language Competence Test at B1 level minimum, or

Languages – FL2 cont.

- Completion of langauge courses from CEMS accredited cultural institutes at B1 level with min. workload of 4-6 hours per week, per semester (60 points awarded regardless of the CEFR level). Notice: The workload minimum does not apply to B2 or higher-level courses.
- Courses must be in-person or live online

Attention:

Non-SGH graduates of Bachelor's studies may get FL2 points based on the valid certificates or will be granted selection points equal to the average number of points obtained for this criterion by other candidates, who have met all formal requirements at the I stage of the selection process.

Languages – Calculation formula

- No points for FL1 (English or other language if English is your mothertongue);
- FL 2 (points are assigned for proficiency at CEFR level B1 or higher – 60 points)
- The conversion of proficiency level into selection points:

Proficiency level (in CEFR)	Selection points
B1	0.5
B1+	1
B2	2
B2+	2.5
C1	3.5
C1+	4
C2	5

Languages – Shelf life (validity)

- C1-C2 – no limit
- B2-B2+(B2/C1) – 5 years
- A1-B1+ (B1/B2) – 2 years
- CNJO tests & Certificates – 2 years (from 2022 on)

FL2 is not required on entry by CEMS, however, it will be required on exit!

Student activity

- Uploaded from SGH Student Activity Database (projects)

- Cut-off number of points is **40**; maximum score is **20** selection points

- Calculation formula: **(Number of points) × 0.5**

- Check the database and contact your organisation's president

Attention:

- Non-SGH graduates of Bachelor's studies are supposed to present ASAP proofs of their student activity at home school to:

ocena.projektow@samorzadsgh.pl using Appendix 8 form

Documents (to be uploaded on-line in pdf)

- CV in English (in pre-defined format) saved in a PDF file with pre-defined file name
- Link to your 2-minute video self-presentation (min. 720p in mp4 or avi format) in a PDF file with pre-defined file name.
- Language certificates (except the CNJO Competence Tests results)
- Mothertongue Declaration Form
- Transcript of Records & Diploma from previous studies (students admitted as foreigners).
- Declaration of being or planning to be on leave (2nd and 3rd semester students)
- Request for considering term Abroad at the country of your citizenship or last graduation (Appendix 9) if it applies.

Note: Do not upload reference letters, awards, etc., just what is required!

Attention:
- Submission of all documents and registrations at both on-line systems will be strictly enforced. You will have 3 days to submit missing or broken files after the online selection upon request from CEMS Office at SGH.

Selection criteria

Criterion	Max. Points
Student performance on admission	40
2nd Language (best result of all passed/confirmed)	5
Student Activity	20
Interview	20*
Assessment (by external company)	15*
TOTAL	100*

* If the assessment is not conducted, maximum points for **the interview is 25 points,** and the **total number of selection points is lowered to 90 points**.

Assignment of slots

- Ranking according to achieved selection points, university preferences and language restriction. Minimum to be accepted for CEMS MIM is **55*** points (55% of the max. total available score), provided there is sufficient number of slots (**56**) available to all such candidates. Vice-Rector for Int'l Rel. with Academic Director may change the minimum.

- No swapping allowed. Resignation after initial results will require re-assignment. Resignation after re-assignment initiates the „waterfall" process of offering slots to students who had that preference higher in their ranking.

- Unused or released slots will be offered first to those on waiting list, then to those who wish to replace assigned slot for other preference due to unstable situation in the destination country, pandemic or due to lack of acceptance by the host school. The global reallocation proces may be conducted by CEMS GO, if necessary.

* 49.5 points if the assessment is not conducted

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Application on-line

Where to login and apply on-line?

ICR – link to be announced

http://www.cems.org/selection/

Selection schedule (tentative)

Planned **on-line application** opening:

14 October 2025 at 00:00 hours CEST (SGH & CEMS)

Deadline:

3 November 2025, 23:59:59 CET (CEMS & SGH)

Assessment:

13-25 November 2025

Interview:

26-28 November & 10-19 December 2025

The final results:

8 January 2026

The end of selection:

16 January 2026
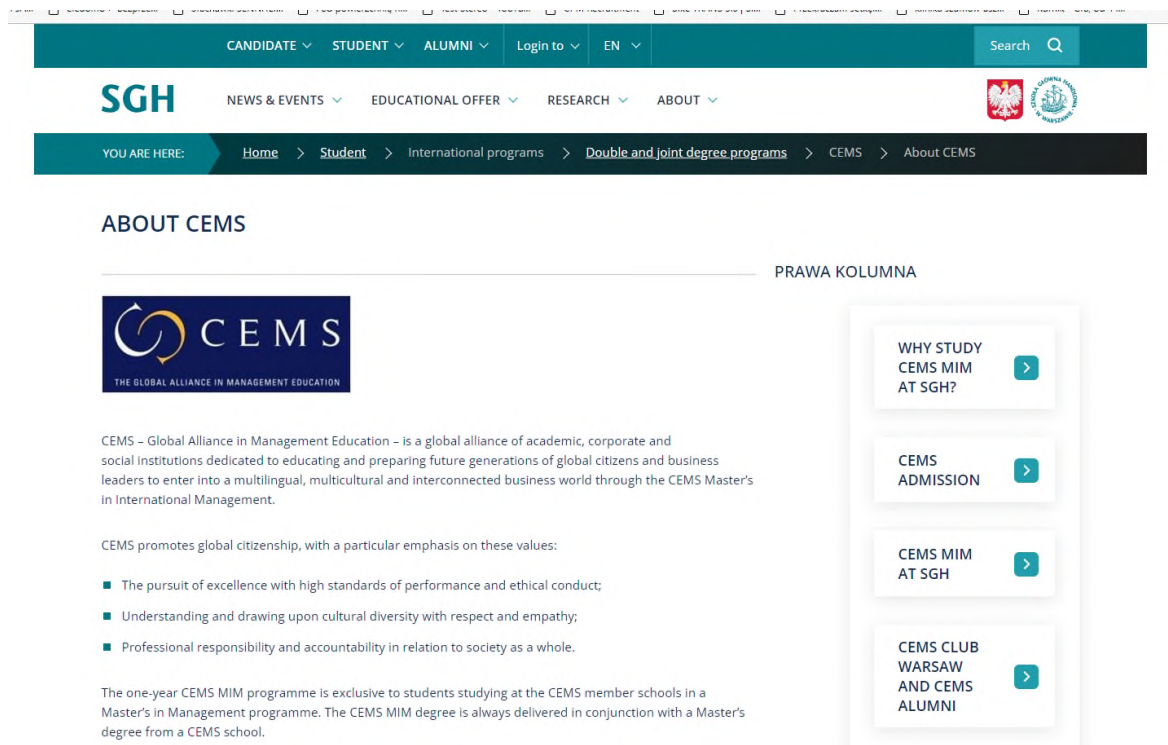
Late October 2025 is the latest date to take the English test but if you fail (too low score) we may extend the deadline until 15 December 2025 (conditional acceptance)!

More information and updates

http://www.sgh.waw.pl/cems/

www.cems.org

Entry requirements – A summary

SGH student of full-time MA studies 1st semester (2nd/3rd semester conditionally) of all majors

GPA/SGH Entry Test - WOG/GPA from last graduated studies

- Minimum GPA required: **3.80**

- Minimum test result: **40**

- Minimum GPA from last graduated studies(admitted as foreigners): **3.75**

Certificate of proficiency in English (minimum level)

- CAE (B); CPE – C1 Certificate; TOEFL iBT (100); IELTS Academic (7.0);
  BEC Higher (B), PTE Academic (68)

(or a university degree of studies taught entirely in English CEMS or AACSB/EQUIS accredited school or University in English-speaking country)

Be prepared – Read carefully!

- Take English or FL2 test **no later than end of October** if you haven't any.
- Submit a proof of your student activity, if you were not SGH student.
- Read rules and regulations with all appendixes, **especially App. 1 & 2**
- Apply as early as possibile – do not leave it for the last day!
- Apply both at SGH (ICR) and CEMS selection online systems.
- All uploads to be done exclusively in CEMS selection application!
- When applying online, **follow the steps described in Appendix 2.**
- Choose and rank **ALL** schools according to your real preference!
- Make scans/pdf of your language docs and CV+LM+MDF etc. and upload them.
- Re-enter the system and check if everything is fine. If any corrections occure, please do not forget to SAVE changes on all altered pages.
- CV: only in pre-defined format – student-customised docs will be rejected!
- 2-minute Motivational self-video in .avi or .mp4 format (minimum resolution: 480p)

Q & A

Q&A and FAQ Session (1)

What are the most important dates concerning the CEMS Selection?

14 October - 3 November 2025.

What are the steps in recruitment?

Application online, Assessment, Interview.

There are several selection criteria some are entry-level i.e. English language but there are additional ones as well i.e. GPA, student activity. When best to start preparing for CEMS recruitment?

The sooner, the better.

What to do if my English Test score is just below minimum (e.g. TOEFL iBT 99 points)?

First of all, take the test now. If you fail you may re-take it or take another test. If you take it just before application period, you may not manage to get the re-take test result before deadline.

Q&A and FAQ Session (2)

How and where candidates may submit their applications?

Online via SGH (ICR) and CEMS systems (both necessary, but uploads are in CEMS system only).

Is there a need to submit any documents in paper?

No.

Where the results of selection can be found?

They will be emailed to your SGH email address or will be available in the ICR (TBC)

When are candidates scheduled for assessment and interview?

After closing the application period, all students wil be asked to participate in the selection survey – preference form.

What to do to confirm your participation in CEMS MIM?

You have to submit online confirmation form.

Q&A and FAQ Session (3)

Can I choose dates of my assessment/interview?

Partially yes, by submitting a duly completed preference form.

Will recruitment process be conducted online or offline this autumn?

The application period is fully online, while the interview and assessment will be organised face-to face.

How long candidates need to wait for the results of every stage?

Usually 4 days after completing each stage, but it depends on the system accuracy.

What if I resign from the recruitment process at some point?

You will continue your studies at SGH.

Can I change my preference list for a term abroad after the online application period?

Nope. Once the application period is over, you cannot make any changes.

Q&A and FAQ Session (4)

What was the point threshold in the previous years?

The required minimum, but there was a Rector's consent to admit a few students with a lower score. Since the rules and candidates vary, it is impossible to give you any concreto answer.

How many students get admitted every year on average?

It varies. Theoretically, we may admit about 60 students. We offer about 56 spots, and the average intake is around 45 students. Last year, it was 46 students.

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