

Dijon, France. June 18th, 2021

Dear Students,
Dear Partners,

I hope this letter finds you and your families in good health.

For over a year now, the Covid-19 pandemic has had an impact on different levels around the world, and times are still very challenging for all of us. However, I would like to reaffirm that our priority is to ensure the health and wellbeing of our student, staff, and faculty on our campuses.

Indeed, our staff and faculty continue to do their utmost to stay in close contact with each student and provide them with the best services. During the past remote learning months, we are proud to state that our student's feedback has been very positive, and they have appreciated our capacity to adapt and manage the crisis. Now that little by little students are back on campus, we are happy to be able to go back to face-to-face classes (in groups of 40 students maximum), applying all necessary measures and regulations to provide a safe study and work environment.

Keeping in mind that things are still evolving every day, we would like to share an update on the situation in France and at BSB.

French government measures:

- Vaccination: vaccination is advanced and keeps accelerating. As I write these lines half of the French population has received a vaccine shot. It is expected that a vast majority of adults will be vaccinated before September 2021 intake.
- Tests: PCR tests are 100% free and available anytime in France. BSB has also decided to provide students and staff with the possibility of getting tested on campus.
- Hygiene: Wearing a mask, keeping social distance, and cleaning one's hand are mandatory measures.
- Economy: Since May 19th, restaurants, bars, and shops are reopening everywhere in France, which is a very positive message. Starting from June 17th, wearing masks outside is not mandatory anymore and the curfew is cancelled as of June 20th.
- Borders and visas: The situation is evolving regularly, please refer to: <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/coming-to-france/coronavirus-advice-for-foreign-nationals-in-france/>

Burgundy School of Business measures:

- Safe study environment: BSB applies all necessary regulations and measure to ensure a safe environment for staff and students (regular updates with government health administration, strict cleaning and aeration protocol, hand sanitizers etc.)
- Financial measures: To support the international students we have released a strong scholarship policy: 60 scholarships for a total of almost €250,000.
- Double degree recognition: We opened a new track with the highest added value: any student with a 4-year Bachelors' degree in a business or management related subject will automatically be granted an MSc diploma and our Master in Management degree.
- New website: Focused on the student's needs and expectations, all student services are detailed to have a better display of information.
- Refund policy: We fully reimburse students who are not able to get their visa, or students who do not obtain the degree needed to enter our programme.

Considering global and specific measures and based on our students' feedback, we are planning **for all our courses to be in-person for the September 2021 intake** (except a limited number of modules which will be conducted on-line like language classes or M2 core courses).

However, most of our study programmes will provide a **fully digital offer** to students who are unable to join us at the maximum date of arrival mentioned below.

Indeed, thanks to our newly equipped classrooms allowing for bimodal teaching MSc programmes (except Wine Management) will be taught in a bimodal format allowing students to follow classes remotely if they wish. This will also apply to the Bachelor and Master in Management programmes, where classes can also be attended remotely.

We recommend students to arrive in France as soon as they can and **no later than mid-October** so that they can fully integrate their chosen programme. Please see the table below for more details:

Programme	Scheduled date of arrival at BSB	Maximum date of arrival for face to face classes	Maximum date of arrival for remote learning
Bachelor in Management year 1	September 9 th <i>Beginning of classes: September 14th</i>	October 15 th or sign up for a full online semester	December 1 st
Bachelor in Management year 3	September 9 th <i>Beginning of classes: September 13th</i>	October 15 th or sign up for a full online semester	
Master in Management year 1	August 31 st <i>Beginning of classes: September 2nd</i>	October 15 th or sign up for a full online semester	
Master in Management year 2	August 26 th <i>Beginning of classes: August 30th (first 2 weeks will be online)</i>	October 15 th or sign up for a full online semester	
Other MSc's	September 28 th <i>Beginning of classes: October 4th</i>	October 15 th or full online (bimodal)	
MS MECIC	September 27 th <i>Beginning of classes: September 28th</i>	October 15 th ; no online teaching	Not possible
MSc Wine Management	September 22 nd <i>Beginning of classes: September 27th</i>	October 11 th ; no online teaching	
MBA Wine & Spirits Business	September 27 th <i>Beginning of classes: September 29th</i>	October 11 th ; no online teaching	
MS CIVS	October 1 st <i>Beginning of classes: October 4th</i>	October 11 th ; no online teaching	

We very much look forward to welcoming all our students back on our campuses this autumn, and we remain at your disposal for any questions or concerns. You can contact the International Relations Office (bsb-international@bsb-education.com) who will be happy to assist with your queries.

Sincerely,



Stéphan Bourcieu, Dean

Burgundy School of Business