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Keio University

**The Faculty and Graduate School of Economics established  
a Double Degree Programme with HEC (“Etablissement d'Enseignement  
Supérieur Consulaire Hautes Etudes Commerciales de Paris”)**

The Faculty of Economics and the Graduate School of Economics at Keio University have entered an agreement with HEC (The “Etablissement d'Enseignement Supérieur Consulaire Hautes Etudes Commerciales de Paris”) on a Masters’ Double Degree Programme and a BA/MA Five Year Programme. Students of the Faculty of Economics’ PEARL who satisfy the graduation requirements will be awarded a BA in economics degree from Keio and a Master in Management degree from HEC. Students at HEC who satisfy the graduation requirements will receive a MA in economics degree from Keio and a Master in Management degree from HEC.

1. Background

As people, goods and capital move frequently around the world, the knowledge required for being a successful student and graduate is becoming borderless. Europe is turning its eyes to Asia, and among the Asian countries, Japan remains unique in its combination of history, tradition, culture and modern economy. At the same time, Japan is expanding its horizon of interest to Europe and the rest of Asia. HEC and Keio’s Faculty and Graduate School of Economics seized this opportunity and started this programme, to further enhance mutual understanding between Europe and Asia, to learn from each other and foster world-class activities in the global arena.

2. About the Masters’ Double Degree Programme and a BA/MA Five Year Programme

- (1) Students who will enter each institution from September 2016 onward are eligible to apply to this programme.
- (2) Students enrolled in the Master’s course at HEC, and students enrolled in PEARL at Keio are eligible to apply to this programme. The maximum number of participants is two per year from both institutions. Keio PEARL students study for 3 years at Keio, then 2 years at HEC. If they meet the requirements, they will be awarded a BA in economics from Keio after their 4th year and a Master in Management from HEC after their 5th year in the programme. HEC’s Master’s course students study at HEC during their first year and Keio during their second year. If they meet the requirements, they will be awarded an MA in economics from Keio and a Master in Management from HEC.

## Reference:

### 1. About PEARL

PEARL is an all-English four year programme that starts in September 2016, at the Faculty of Economics at Keio University. The programme's main features are as follows:

- (1) Qualified students can obtain both a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree within a five year period.
- (2) Professors from our excellent partner universities give lectures, through visiting the Keio campus as well as two-way distance learning using the internet and other resources.
- (3) Classes offered include those on Yukichi Fukuzawa's ideas and the modernization of Japan, business-related courses and internships, in addition to economics classes.
- (4) Existing seminar classes, research projects as well as classes offered in PCP (Professional Career Programme, the all-English programme for third and fourth year students) are incorporated into the curriculum.
- (5) Students are encouraged to study abroad as either double degree students or as international exchange students.

### 2. Other double degree programmes at Keio

- Sciences Po (Faculty of Economics, Graduate School of Economics)
- Ecole Centrale Group (Faculty of Science and Technology)
- Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg (Graduate School of Letters)
- CEMS MIM (Graduate School of Economics, Graduate School of Business and Commerce, Graduate School of Media Design)
- Politecnico di Milano (Graduate School of Science and Technology)
- KTH Royal Institute of Technology (Graduate School of Science and Technology)
- Fudan University (Graduate School of Media and Governance)
- Yonsei University (Graduate School of Media and Governance)
- ESSEC Business School (Graduate School of Business Administration)

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