

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, MS

for the Master of Science in Business Administration

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Business Administration, MS is not currently accepting applications; suspension of admissions effective Fall 2021

The Master of Science in Business Administration is a 40 graduate hours master's program best suited for those with a strong technical expertise in one of the concentrations offered within the Ph.D. program. The focus is on preparation for advanced study in the doctoral program or for a research-oriented position. The coursework can usually be completed in four semesters. A major must be specified from one of six areas offered within the Department of Business Administration: organizational behavior/theory, strategic management, marketing, decision sciences and information systems, and process management/management science. At least two courses should be chosen from another area within the Department of Business Administration or a related area outside the department or college.

Graduate Degree Programs in Business Administration

Majors:

- Business Administration, MBA (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/business-administration-online-mba/>) (**online-iMBA**)
- Business Administration, MS (p. 1)
- Business Analytics, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/business-analytics-ms/>)
- Management, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/management-ms/>)
 - with optional concentrations:** Business Data Analytics (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/business-data-analytics/>), Finance, (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/finance/finance/>) Corporate Governance & International Business (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/corporate-governance-international-business/>)
- Technology Management, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/technology-management-ms/>)
 - with optional concentrations:** Accountancy (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/accy/accountancy/>), Business Data Analytics (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/business-data-analytics/>), Business & Public Policy (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/finance/business-public-policy/>), Finance (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/finance/finance/>), Information Technology & Control (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/information-technology-control/>), Supply Chain Management (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/supply-chain-management/>)
- Business Administration, PhD (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/business-administration-phd/>)

Minors:

- Information Technology & Control (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/minors/badm/information-technology-control/>)
- Corporate Governance & International Business (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/minors/badm/corporate-governance-international-business/>)
- Supply Chain Management (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/minors/badm/supply-chain-management/>)

Concentrations:

- Business Data Analytics (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/business-data-analytics/>)
- Corporate Governance & International Business (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/corporate-governance-international-business/>)
- Information Technology & Control (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/information-technology-control/>)
- Supply Chain Management (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/supply-chain-management/>)

Certificates:

- Digital Marketing, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/digital-marketing-cert/>)
- Entrepreneurship & Strategic Innovation, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/entrepreneurship-strategic-innovation-cert/>)
- Financial Management, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/financial-management-cert/>)
- Global Challenges in Business, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/global-challenges-business-cert/>)
- Managerial Economics & Business Analysis, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/managerial-economics-business-analysis-cert/>)
- Strategic Leadership Management, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/strategic-leadership-management-cert/>)
- Value Chain Management, CERT (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/badm/value-chain-management-cert/>)

Joint Degree Program:

- Accountancy, MS (iMSA) & Business Administration, MBA (iMBA) (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/joint-degree/accountancy-ms-business-mba-online/>)

Admission

Admission to the MS in Business Administration requires an undergraduate degree with a scholastic average of at least B for the last 60 hours, three letters of recommendation, and a statement of career goals. Applicants whose native language is not English are also required to submit scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), CBT, iBT or IELTS. Candidates must achieve the University minimum scores on these examinations (currently 550 on the paper-based TOEFL or 213 on the computer-based TOEFL or 79 on the iBT).

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Faculty Research Interests

Faculty research interests are in the areas of marketing, organizational behavior, organization theory, decision sciences, information systems, strategic management, risk analysis, judgment under uncertainty, international business, production and operations management, accounting, economics, entrepreneurship, and finance. The Gies College of Business houses computer facilities, a behavioral science laboratory, and a separate library. The college maintains contacts with industry and government through its Survey Research Laboratory, Illinois Business Consulting, the Academy for Entrepreneurial Leadership and several professional and scholarly journals edited by its faculty.

Financial Aid

Most Ph.D. students receive some form of financial assistance. This assistance is likely to be in the form of a teaching or research assistantship, which includes a waiver of tuition and some fees, and/or the award of a merit-based fellowship. The M.S. in Business Administration, the M.S. in Management, the M.S. in Strategic Brand Communication, and the M.S. in Technology Management do not provide assistantships.

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For additional details and requirements refer to the department's Program Curriculum (<http://business.illinois.edu/msba/academics/>) and the Graduate College Handbook (<http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/>).

Code	Title	Hours
Total Hours		40

Other Requirements

Requirement	Description
Other requirements may overlap	
Minimum 500-level Hours Required Overall:	12
Minimum GPA:	2.75