BUSINESS ANALYTICS, MS

for the Master of Science in Business Analytics

The Master of Science (MS) in Business Analytics prepares students to master and apply contemporary analytics approaches to identify and address business problems and opportunities. The course work includes foundations in managing, analyzing, and conveying patterns and implications of business data, followed by an array of analytics elective courses that enable students to deepen their skills and understanding in business application areas such as finance, accountancy, and marketing, among others. This is an intensive program for those interested in making decisions and innovating through the use of business analytics approaches.

Admission
Graduate College Admissions & Requirements (https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply/)

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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The MS in Business Analytics requires a minimum of 36 hours. The program rests on three required courses (12 credit hours) covering foundations of business data management, analysis, and communication. Students need to take at least four analytics elective courses (at least 20 credit hours) that will enable them to deepen their understanding of analytics methods and tools as well as to specialize in existing and emerging application areas. Finally, students are able to take general elective courses (up to 4 credit hours) to provide foundations in application areas. Students with sufficient background may petition the academic director to replace core classes, with analytics electives. Additional analytics elective and general elective graduate course offerings may be approved by a program advisor.

For additional details and requirements, refer to the department’s Program Curriculum and the Graduate College Handbook.

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<td>BADM 554</td>
<td>Enterprise Database Management</td>
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<td>FIN 550</td>
<td>Big Data Analytics in Finance for Predictive and Causal Analysis</td>
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<td>BDI 513</td>
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Other Requirements

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<td>International students with TOEFL scores below 613 (paper-based), 257 (computer-based), or 103 (internet-based), or IELTS score below 7.0, are required to take the English Placement Test (EPT) when they arrive on campus. After taking the EPT, most students are required to take a Business English course sequence. For these students, completion of the ESL course sequence is mandatory but does not count towards the 36 hour degree requirement.</td>
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Graduate Degree Programs in Business Administration

Majors:
- Business Administration, MBA (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/business-administration-online-mba/) (online-iMBA)
- Business Analytics, MS (p. 1)
  - 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/)

• 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/)
    • Corporate Governance & International Business (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/corporate-governance-international-business/)
    • 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/)

• Technology Management, MS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/technology-management-ms/)
  • with optional concentrations:
    • Accountancy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/acct/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/)

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/)

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