

GRADUATE

## Business Administration

School of Business

SIUE



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### Business Administration at SIUE

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) is designed to develop the professional capabilities of managers working in business. The central objective of the MBA curriculum is to enhance quality and innovation in the analysis, interpretation, and use of information for formulating, communicating and implementing managerial decisions in business organizations. The ethical management of resources in a global environment is also emphasized through the curriculum.

Required courses in quantitative analysis and decision making will sharpen the ability of students to apply models and skills and integrate knowledge across disciplinary areas.

#### Program Format

Accelerated seven-week courses are offered in two options:

1. Flex: Students may take hybrid courses that meet one evening per week with online assignments or fully online courses to fit their schedules.
2. Accelerated: All coursework is completed in the online format. (International students are ineligible to receive a student visa for this format.)

Six start dates per year are offered for either the flex or accelerated options.

Students can enroll for any term in the school year and take courses in either or both formats.

### Degrees Available at SIUE

- Master of Business Administration (MBA)

### Specializations

- General
- Business Analytics
- Healthcare Administration
- Management
- Management Information Systems
- Project Management

### Online Specializations

- General
- Business Analytics
- Healthcare Administration
- Management
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### What can I do with an MBA?

Students completing the program should be prepared to engage in managerial careers leading to advancement through middle- and upper-level positions in business and nonprofit organizations. Additionally, graduates of the program are qualified for careers in:

- Administration or management of business firms
- Banking and insurance
- Federal, state and local government agencies
- Other settings where knowledge of business functions is required

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## Accreditation

Only 5% of business schools worldwide are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International



## Admission Requirements

- Graduate School application and \$40 fee
- Submission of all postsecondary academic transcripts
- Successful completion of a bachelor's degree prior to enrollment
- Minimum GPA of 2.50
- Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE), unless one of the following requirements is met, in which case eligible applicants can apply to waive the GMAT or GRE requirement. To apply to waive the GRE/GMAT requirement, applicants must contact the program director at [testwaiverrequest@siue.edu](mailto:testwaiverrequest@siue.edu) to request the waiver. The decision to grant the GMAT/GRE waiver rests with the program director and School of Business MBA admissions committee.
  - Applicants who hold a PhD, MD, LL.M, DDS, DNP, EdD or the equivalent in a recognized field from an accredited program in an acceptable U.S. university
  - Applicants holding a master's degree, PharmD, or JD from an accredited program at an acceptable U.S. institution
  - Applicants with a 3.2 or better GPA in undergraduate business degrees from AACSB-accredited business programs or a 3.2 or better GPA in undergraduate engineering degrees from ABET-accredited engineering programs
  - Applicants with a 3.0 or higher GPA and a minimum of three years full-time professional work experience
- Personal history information
- International Applicants: Proof of English Proficiency, minimum requirements are TOEFL (79), IELTS (6.5) or equivalent

Program application materials may be uploaded during the application process, but official transcripts must be sent directly from the school attended, and test scores must be verifiable with the appropriate testing service. Please contact the Graduate Admissions office with questions regarding the application submission process at [graduateadmissions@siue.edu](mailto:graduateadmissions@siue.edu).

Admission to the MBA program is based on a variety of factors including undergraduate GPA, overall score on the GMAT and its parts (verbal, quantitative and analytical writing), and previous work in other graduate programs. At least two years of work experience is recommended for students entering the MBA program. Students recently admitted to the MBA program have had, on average, a cumulative undergraduate GPA (UGPA) of 3.2 (A=4.0) and an overall GMAT score of approximately 520.

## Unclassified Status

An applicant with an undergraduate GPA of 2.8 or higher may be permitted to enroll in classes for one term as an unclassified student prior to taking the GMAT. In most cases, no more than six credit hours of coursework can be taken prior to receipt of the scores by the School of Business Student Services Office.

## Entry Competencies

Students are expected to enter the program with competencies in computer software and statistics.

## Graduation Requirements

*This information is concurrent with the 2022-2023 academic catalog. Courses are subject to change at any time.*

In addition to completing coursework, students must also satisfy a comprehensive examination requirement by earning a grade of B or above in MBA 534. Students who earn a grade below B will be given a second opportunity to complete the course in a satisfactory manner. Performance of individuals who fail to earn a B or above in the second attempt will be reviewed by two additional members of the School of Business Curriculum Committee who may recommend that the student be dropped from the program or, in rare instances, be permitted a third attempt to earn a grade of B or above under another instructor.

## Required Credit Hours/Tuition and Fees

- 36
- Visit [siue.edu/graduate-tuition](http://siue.edu/graduate-tuition) for detailed tuition information

## Program of Study

The following eight courses are required for completion of the MBA program. In addition to the program courses, which comprise 24 credit hours, four elective courses or a specified concentration are required for a total of 36 credit hours to complete the MBA requirements.

### MBA program courses:

- **ACCT 524** Accounting for MBAs
- **CMIS 526** Information Systems and Technology
- **ECON 528** Managerial Economics
- **FIN 527** Corporate Finance
- **MBA 521** Quantitative Analysis
- **MBA 522** Decision Making in Organizations
- **MBA 534** Strategic Management
- **MKTG 525** Marketing Analysis and Applications for Managerial Decision Making

Each student must take a total of 12 hours (four courses) of electives or a specialization. Elective courses can be taken in any of the following departments:

- Accounting
- Economics and Finance
- Management and Marketing
- Computer Management and Information Systems

Electives may also be chosen from the courses offered by departments in other schools with the advance approval of the MBA program director. Such courses, however, must be related to the student's career objectives. No more than six hours of 400-level coursework may be used to satisfy MBA requirements.

MBA students with an undergraduate degree from an AACSB-accredited accounting program must choose an elective to replace ACCT 524.

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