

Prospective M.B.A. Student Information

Overview of the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)

The M.B.A. program is designed to develop successful and ethical business leaders with a cross-functional understanding of the total business environment and the vision to see opportunities in the global marketplace.

Students will be immersed in a culture of innovation that will prepare them to embrace and formulate new ideas. They will apply classroom theories to workplace challenges, learn to collaborate and work effectively in teams across and within functional areas, enhance communication skills, sharpen critical and analytical thinking, deepen ethical-decision making in a business context, and pro-actively anticipate rapidly changing business challenges in a global economy. Students can build a supportive network of fellow students from different professions, backgrounds, and nationalities.

Curriculum

The curriculum for the M.B.A. program can be found at the [M.B.A. Curriculum website](#) and is the same for all delivery modes: Traditional Weekday Evening (full-time or part-time); Online

- **FOUNDATION:** Five (5) classes provide a solid foundation in the mandatory concepts and skillsets required for the program. *Some* students may be eligible to have foundation coursework waived based on their academic history.
 - MBA 5100, 5200, 5300, 5400, 5800: Students who have successfully completed *equivalent* undergraduate work within the last 5 years (MBA 5400 – no time limit) with a grade of “B” or better can request to be waived from these classes.
 - A full syllabus in English must be provided so that equivalency can be determined.
 - Students who are required to complete foundation courses have the opportunity to complete ABE- Accelerated Business Essentials course. This is a 5-week online asynchronous course with an intensive review and testing of the MBA Foundation course material. At the end of each week, students will take a test and, if passed, will As far as I know this is still be waived from that MBA course; if not passed, the student will still need to take the MBA Foundation course.
- **M.B.A. CORE:** A collection of six (6) classes focusing on each of the major areas of business.
- **M.B.A. CONCENTRATION:** Each concentration is comprised of three (3) classes that highlight the skills and knowledge required for that specialty. Students can choose to complete more than one concentration if they wish.
- **CAPSTONE CLASS:** The capstone class (1) is a project-based class that incorporates the material of the previously studied courses and is intended to be completed in the last semester.

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Profile of a successful M.B.A. candidate

Successful candidates to the M.B.A. program have the following academic qualifications:

- A 4-year bachelor's degree (or equivalent) from an accredited institution in any discipline.
- A good academic foundation for graduate study as reflected in the applicant's cumulative undergraduate grade point average (GPA) on a scale out of 4.0:
 - **GPA 3.00 to 4.00:** Can be admitted with *regular* status to the program. GMAT is not required.
 - **GPA 2.70 to 2.99:** Can be admitted with *conditional* status to the program. Conditionally admitted students must achieve a 3.0 cumulative graduate grade point average in the term in which they complete nine (9) or more semester hours. Students who fail to meet this requirement will be dismissed from the program. GMAT is not required
 - **GPA 2.50 to 2.69 will:** Cannot be admitted to the program but may [petition for admission](#). Applicants will be required to submit a minimum GMAT score of 400 or a minimum GRE score can be [substituted](#) for the GMAT score.
- Applicants who have successfully completed an American graduate degree (or equivalent international graduate degree as determined by International Admissions), will be reviewed based on cumulative graduate GPA.
- If your native language is not English and you do not have a degree from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university, you must have a minimum score on one of the following exams:
 - A score of 79/120 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (T.O.E.F.L.)
 - A band 6 or higher through the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
 - A score of 57 or higher on the Pearson PTE
 - Students who show proof of successful completion of an Intensive English Program from an accredited Institution or program accepted by international admissions are exempt from the requirement to take an approved English Proficiency exam.

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Program of study

The M.B.A. program is flexible, and its length depends on numerous factors, such as the total number of classes required (0-5 foundation classes + 10 MBA classes), how many classes the student wishes to take each semester, the sequence of study for the preferred concentration, whether the student will be taking classes in the summer semester, and so on. Each student has up to five (5) years to complete the curriculum of the M.B.A. program.

All students are required to meet with the M.B.A. Advisor upon admission to the program, and during that meeting, the student will be able to discuss their goals, objectives, and constraints with the advisor. Based on this information, the M.B.A. Advisor will help prepare a personalized path to success for each student. Advisors are available by appointment (in person, Webex, or by telephone) or email to help the student navigate the program and answer any questions or concerns that may arise.

General information

- The M.B.A. program has rolling admission. Qualified students can be admitted for any semester. The fall semester starts at the end of August, the spring semester starts in January, and the summer semester starts in May.
- Applications and supporting documentation should be submitted [online](#). All admission decisions are made by the [Graduate School \(for domestic applicants\)](#) and [International Admission \(for international applicants\)](#). The College of Business does not process admissions for the M.B.A. program, so **please do not send any application materials to the College of Business**.
- [Tuition](#) information for the program can be found on the M.B.A. program website or the [Bursar's](#) website. Tuition is charged each semester according to how many credit hours the student is enrolled in as either a per hour rate (1 to 10.5 credit hours) or a flat rate (11 to 18 credit hours). Additionally, tuition is charged at an "Ohio Resident" rate, or a "Non-Resident" rate. For more information about these rates, please see the Bursar's website.
- The length of the program depends on how many classes are required to complete the degree and how many classes the student takes each semester. A full-time student may take 3 or 4 classes per semester and finish in 1-2 years. A part-time student will usually take 1 or 2 classes per semester. Students have up to five (5) calendar years to complete the program.
- The M.B.A. program is based on coursework. A thesis is not required.

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- Qualified full-time students are eligible for the [Graduate Assistantships](#) (GA) offered by the College of Business. A limited number of each is offered every academic year, and the selection process is highly competitive. The award is for one academic year only (fall, spring, summer). Applications for the GA should be sent to the College of Business with all required documentation. In order to be eligible, applicants must be admitted to the M.B.A. program and have a competitive GMAT (or GRE) score on file when the application is reviewed.

Applying to the M.B.A. program

For domestic applicants (international applicants, please skip page 4 go to page 5)

1. Complete an [online](#) application for graduate study at the [Graduate School](#). While there is no official application deadline, it is recommended that applications are submitted no less than two (2) months before the start of the semester. While applications can be accepted later there is no guarantee that they will be processed in time, or that there will be seats available in any courses at the time of admission.
2. Pay the \$40 nonrefundable application fee.
3. Have the required supporting documentation sent to the Graduate School:
 - Official undergraduate transcripts from *all* institutions attended.
 - The awarding of the bachelor's degree must be indicated on the transcript from the degree-granting institution.
 - If graduate coursework has been taken or a graduate degree has been conferred, have these transcripts submitted.
 - Note: All transcripts should be sent directly from the institution to Wright State University Graduate School. For the graduate school's mailing or transcript address, please see their [website](#).
4. Notes:
 - Applicants must list three (3) references on their application, but reference letters are not required for admission to the program.
 - The following documents are **not** required for admission: resume, statement of goals/objectives, essay.
 - The GMAT (or GRE) is not required for admission to the M.B.A. program, however:
 - a competitive GMAT or GRE score is *required* to qualify for Graduate Assistantships or the Graduate Tuition Scholarship.
 - if the applicant has been denied admission due to insufficient cumulative GPA but meets the petition criteria and is submitting a petition for admission, an acceptable GMAT or GRE score *must* be on file before the [petition](#) will be reviewed.

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I applied... Now what?

1. Admission Notification

Once an admission decision has been made, the Graduate School will post the decision in the [application portal](#) and send a notification email. The official admission letter will be mailed and may include information on [Graduate School Orientation](#). Please note that it may take up to 2 weeks *after receiving all documentation* to receive an admissions decision. If an applicant is denied admission due to insufficient cumulative undergraduate GPA but meets the petition criteria, they may want to consider submitting an [admission petition](#) to the Graduate School. For more on petition criteria, please email mba@wright.edu.

2. College Welcome Letter

Once admitted by the Graduate School, the student will receive a welcome email from the College advising office outlining the next steps. This email may also list additional events, such as the M.B.A. Program Orientation, the M.B.A. Meet and Greet, and so on.

3. Initial Advising Appointment

Students cannot register until they meet with the [M.B.A. Advisor](#) for their Initial Advising Appointment. At that appointment, the advisor will review the M.B.A. program's course requirements and official program intake paperwork, evaluate potential foundation class waivers and/or Accelerated Business Essentials (ABE), map out an ideal course path, and answer any questions.

4. Follow up on funding

If the student has applied for federal student funding, they should follow up with the Financial Aid Office ([Raider Connect](#)). They will hear directly from those programs if they have applied for a Graduate Tuition Scholarship or a Graduate Assistantship.

Do not hesitate to call the Advising Office at (937) 775-2437 to schedule an appointment with an advisor to answer any additional questions about the program.

For International Applicants

Note: the M.B.A. is **not** a STEM-designated degree at this time. Students in all majors are eligible for 12 months of Optional Practical Training (OPT); in addition, students in most science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields are eligible for a two-year extension for a total of 36 months. Visit our [STEM OPT Extension](#) page to find out more.

1. Complete an online application to the M.B.A. program at [Wright State University International Admissions](#). Submit the application and supporting documents before the [application deadline](#).

2. Pay the \$70 application fee.

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3. Upload all required supporting documents as listed on the [Application Checklist](#), including:
 - Photocopy of passport information page
 - Complete official academic record (English) from each college/university attended
 - Official confirmation of a bachelor's degree
 - For admission, the M.B.A. program *does not* require the following: GRE/GMAT, Letters of Recommendation, Statement of Objectives, or Resume.
4. Have your official proof of English proficiency forwarded directly from TOEFL/IELTS/PTE. Unofficial scores can be uploaded at the time of application, but official scores must be received.
5. Wait while your application is processed. Once all the documents listed above are *received*, processing your application may take a few weeks. You will be notified of the admission decision. If you have any questions about your application, please check the status of your application [online](#) or follow up with the International Admissions office for more information.
6. If you are admitted, you will be asked to submit documentation required for the visa application:
 - Completed [Financial Statement I20 Request Form](#)
 - Documentation of financial resources from the bank. This must be in English and dated less than 6 months from the start of the term
 - You will be asked to confirm your mailing address before the I-20 and SEVIS documentation is sent to you. If you do not confirm your address, the documents will not be sent to you, and you will not be able to apply for a visa appointment at the local US Embassy or Consulate.

I have been admitted... Now what??

1. If admitted to the M.B.A. program, you will receive an admissions notification by email. You will be asked to submit the financial documentation for the visa application. You will also be asked to confirm your mailing address so that a packet containing the official admission letter, immigration documentation, and further instructions can be sent to you by mail. When you receive this packet, read and follow all the instructions carefully. If you have any questions, follow up with International Admissions. This packet will include an official admission letter, immigration documentation (I-20 and I-901 SEVIS number), information about the mandatory "Check In" and "Orientation Session" required for all international students at Wright State University, information on optional "airport pick up service" and "on-campus housing".
2. While still in your home country, have your local doctor complete and certify your [Medical History Form](#) (in English). If you cannot prove that you received the required immunizations, you will have to have them upon arrival, and there will be a charge for each immunization.

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3. You will receive a welcome letter by email from the [Raj Soin College of Business](#). This is not the official admission letter that needs to be brought to the visa interview. *Before* you arrive in Dayton, call or email the Raj Soin College of Business to arrange an advising appointment shortly after your arrival. You must meet with an Academic Advisor before you are allowed to register for your first semester. If you wait until you arrive in Dayton to contact the Advising Office, you will not likely get an appointment before the semester starts.

4. Arrange a visa appointment at the American Embassy in your home country and bring all required documentation for the interview, including (but not limited to) your passport, letter of admission from Wright State University, proof of SEVIS fee payment, and proof of financial support. Note: an I-20 invitation from Wright State University does not guarantee a student visa.

5. If you are granted a student visa, please arrange to arrive in Dayton, Ohio, before the mandatory “Check-in” and “Orientation Session” for international students. Remember to bring the original paper copies of all the documents you uploaded during the application process.

We look forward to meeting you!!

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[Directions & Campus Map](#)