

Prospective Student Information

MBA

Overview of the Masters of Business Administration (MBA)

The MBA 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.

As a student here, you'll be immersed in a culture of innovation that will prepare you to embrace and formulate new ideas. You'll apply classroom theories to workplace challenges. You'll learn to collaborate and work effectively in teams across and within functional areas; enhance your communication skills; sharpen your critical and analytical thinking; deepen your ethical-decision making in a business context and pro-actively anticipate rapidly changing business challenges in a global economy. You'll have the opportunity to build a supportive network of fellow students from different professions, backgrounds and nationalities.

Curriculum

The curriculum for the MBA program can be found at the [MBA Curriculum website](#).

- **FOUNDATION:** Five (5) classes provide a solid foundation in the mandatory concepts and skillsets required for the program. Students who have successfully completed equivalent undergraduate work at an AACSB accredited institution within the last 7 years can request to be waived from MBA 5100, MBA 5200, and MBA 5400. Students who wish to be waived from MBA 5300 and MBA 5800 must pass a proficiency exam offered before the start of each academic year.
- **MBA CORE:** A collection of seven (7) classes focusing on each of the major areas of business.
- **MBA 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 designed as a project based class that incorporates the material of each of the previously studied courses and is intended to be completed in the last semester.

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Profile of a successful MBA candidate

Successful candidates to the MBA program have the following academic qualifications:

- A 4-year Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution with a satisfactory grade point average (GPA)
- Proof of English proficiency:
(LEAP: Pass Level 4; TOEFL: 213 CBT or 79/120 IBT; IELTS: Band 6)
- An acceptable GMAT score
- An "Admission Index" score of 1100 or more:
The Admissions Index is calculated in the following way: cumulative undergraduate GPA (on a scale out of 4) x 200 + GMAT score. If your undergraduate GPA is below 2.5 or your GMAT score is below 400 they will not be used in the Admissions Index calculation and you cannot be regularly admitted to the MBA program.

General information

- Wright State [International Gateway](#) is an international student's primary point of contact for undergraduate and graduate admissions. At their website you will find the online application and information on application deadlines, visa requirements, application checklists and so on. **If you have questions about the application process, please contact International Gateway for more information.**
- All MBA applications and supporting documents (including documentation for visa requirements) should be submitted at the time of your online application. Your application will not be processed until all the documentation has been received.
- The College of Business does not process admissions for the MBA program. **Please do not send any application materials to the College of Business.**
- [Tuition](#) information for the program can be found on the MBA Program website. If all 16 classes are required to complete the degree (11 MBA classes plus 5 foundation classes), then you should estimate that your program could be completed in approximately 4 semesters of full-time study (4 classes (12 hours) each semester). In order to secure a visa, international students must prove that they have enough personal funding to pay for their program.

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General information continued...

- Qualified international students are eligible for the [Graduate Assistantships](#) (GA) and [Graduate Tuition Scholarships](#) (GTS) offered by the College of Business. These are usually awarded for a period of one academic year from fall through summer. The GA award covers tuition remission and a monthly stipend for fall and spring, and only the tuition remission for summer. In order to be eligible for these awards, the student must already be regularly admitted to the MBA program and meet all of the listed criteria. Applications for the GA and GTS are available at the College website and should be sent to the College of Business with all required documentation before the listed deadline (March 1st for the next academic year).

Applying to the MBA program

1. Submit an online application to the MBA program to [Wright State University International Gateway](#) before the application deadline.
2. Pay the \$40 application fee.
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
 - Documentation of financial resources
4. Have your GMAT score forwarded directly from the Graduate Management Admission Council. The GMAT must have been taken within the last 5 years. Note: if you have recently taken the GMAT, it could take up to two weeks for Wright State University to receive your official score.
 - **GMAT WAIVER:** The GMAT requirement is only waived for students who have already achieved a Master's Degree (or higher) from a US accredited institution. If you want to know if your previous Master's Degree (or higher) will be recognized, you must submit your application and request that your previous degree be evaluated. Please note that on the "personal comments" section of your application. In some cases, the Graduate School may request that you complete an "Admissions Petition" in addition to your application to the MBA program. Please follow up with International Gateway for further information.

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- **PROVISIONAL ADMISSION:** In some circumstances, high academic achieving applicants can be admitted provisionally without the GMAT for one semester before having to submit their GMAT scores. If the GMAT score submitted is not satisfactory, the student may face dismissal from the program, despite already having taken one semester of coursework. If you are interested in provisional admission, please note that on the “personal comments” section of your application. Approvals for provisional admission are granted on a case by case basis. Please follow up with International Gateway for more information.
- **GRE SUBSTITUTION:** If you have taken the GRE instead of the GMAT we can use those scores in the Admission Index calculation provided they are recent, and they exceed the minimum allowable scores: minimum 550 on both the Quantitative and Verbal sections; or minimum of 146 Quantitative and 156 Verbal (depending on the version of the test that you took). Please note that on the “personal comments” section of your application. Please follow up with International Gateway for more information.

5. Have your official proof of English proficiency (TOEFL: 79/120 IBT or 213 CBT; IELTS: 6; PTE: 57) forwarded directly from TOEFL/IELTS/PTE.

- **LEAP PROGRAM:** If you have not passed a language proficiency exam you can apply for the intensive English training program called “LEAP” that we offer at Wright State University. General information about the LEAP Program can be found at the [LEAP website](#). Students who pass LEAP level 4 are waived from the language test.

Students admitted to the LEAP Program can also receive conditional acceptance to the MBA program pending the successful completion of LEAP level 4 and all the other stated requirements. **Please note: if you are going to apply for the LEAP Program, your application instructions may be different than those listed here.** You will have to submit an [online LEAP application](#) at the same time you submit your application to the MBA program. Please contact the LEAP program for additional information. Also, please note that you intend to complete the LEAP program on your application to the MBA program.

6. Wait while your application is processed. Once all the documents listed above are *received* it may take several weeks to process your application. You will be notified of the admission decision. If you have any questions about your application please follow up with the International Gateway office for more information.

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I have been admitted... Now what??

1. If you are admitted to the MBA program, you will receive an admissions letter from the Graduate School and further instructions from International Gateway. Read and follow all the instructions carefully.

This package will include your “I-20 Certificate of Eligibility” (or DS-2019) and I-901 SEVIS number. It will also give you more information about the mandatory “Check In” and “Orientation Session” at Wright State University. There should also be information on optional airport pick up service and housing at the University included in this package.

- While you are still in your home country, you will also want to have your local doctor fill out and certify your [Medical History Form](#) (in English) because if you cannot prove that you have received the required immunizations, you will have to have them at Wright State University (fee for each immunization).
- You will also receive a letter from the [Raj Soin College of Business](#). Read this letter carefully as well. As soon as you arrive in Dayton, make an appointment with an Academic Advisor to go over your program and sign the required paperwork in order to register for your first semester.

The Advising Office can be reached at (937) 775 – 2437.

2. Arrange a visa appointment at the American Embassy in your home country and bring all your 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.

3. If you are granted a student visa, please make arrangements to arrive in Dayton Ohio in advance of the mandatory “Check-in” and “Orientation Session” for international students.