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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.

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 will 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 within the last 7 years with a grade of “B” or better can request to be waived from MBA 5100, MBA 5200, and MBA 5400. An English syllabus must be provided so that the advisor can determine equivalency. Students who wish to be waived from MBA 5300 and/or MBA 5800 must have previous credit in the field and pass a placement exam.

- 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) incorporates the material of each of the previously studied courses and is intended to be completed in the last semester.
Profile of a successful MBA candidate

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

- A 4-year bachelor 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:
  - **GPA 3.00 to 4.00:** Can be admitted with *regular* status to the program.
  - **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.
  - **0.00 to 2.69:** Not eligible for admission to the program.

Applicants with grade point averages that fall slightly below our minimum criteria may be able to submit a petition for admission along with supporting documentation showing an aptitude for graduate study in the form of an acceptable GMAT or GRE score. For information on minimum petition criteria, contact the MBA Advisor.

Program of study

The MBA program is flexible and the length of the program depends on numerous factors such as the total number of classes required (11-16), how many classes the student wishes to take each semester (2-4), the sequence of study for the preferred concentration, if the student will be taking classes in the summer semester, and so on.

As a point of reference: If all sixteen (16) courses are required and the student takes three (3) classes per semester (fall and spring) taking summer semester off, then it will take approximately two and a half (2.5) years to complete the program. If the same student wanted to only take the minimum amount of courses to keep their visa in good standing, then it would take four (4) years to complete the program. If the same student wanted to take the maximum recommended course load, it would take approximately one and a half (1.5) years to complete the program.

All students are required to meet with the MBA 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. The MBA Advisor will help prepare a personalized path to success for each individual student based on this information.
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Program costs
Because Wright State University is a public university, it has some of the most affordable tuition rates in the mid-western United States. The Dayton area also offers a reasonable cost of living compared to some of the larger urban areas. These factors make Wright State University an affordable choice for an AACSB-accredited MBA program!

Actual total cost
It is very important to understand the full cost of pursuing a graduate degree in the United States of America before arriving on campus. The total cost of studying abroad includes many things that must be considered such as: tuition and fees, textbooks and supplies, international student fees and health insurance, housing and utilities, food and toiletries, transportation, and any other incidental costs that may arise. For more information on the cost of living in Dayton, Ohio, USA, please see the estimate at the Wright State International Admissions website.

Please note that the cost of living and the tuition fees that are quoted on the I-20 provided by Wright State University with the admission letter may not accurately reflect the actual costs associated with the program! Housing costs may be higher or lower depending on the type of housing chosen by the student. Transportation costs may also vary depending on if the student lives within the public transportation route, or if they must purchase a personal vehicle. Some students may need to purchase winter clothing if they are not from a similar climate. In addition, the actual tuition cost changes depending on how many of the MBA foundation classes are required, how many classes are taken each semester, and so on.

Tuition Fees
Tuition information can be found on the MBA Program website or the Bursar’s website.

Most MBA classes are three (3) credit hours each, and minimum full time enrollment is six (6) semester hours per semester (fall and spring). International students are not required to take classes during the summer but can opt to do so if they wish.

Tuition is charged each semester according to the number of credit hours the student has registered for:
- 1 to 10.5 credit hours per semester = per credit hour rate of $1,029 (2015-2016 rate)
- 11 to 18 credit hours per semester = flat rate of $11,112 (2015-2016 rate)
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Tuition fees as listed on the I-20
The tuition quoted on the Wright State University International Admissions website as well as the tuition quoted on the I-20 issued with the admission letter is the annual tuition for minimum full time study in the USA as required to keep an F1 student in compliance with visa requirements: six (6) credit hours (2 classes) in fall, six (6) credit hours (2 classes) in spring, and zero (0) credit hours in summer. At the minimum full time rate, it would take approximately four (4) years to complete the sixteen (16) classes of the MBA program.

Total tuition of MBA program
The following scenarios are provided for reference only. These estimates use the tuition rates for the 2015-2016 academic year and do not include any annual rate increase. In addition, not all students will need to complete each foundation class so the actual number of courses required to complete the program may be less. While the approximate tuition cost of both scenarios below is similar, the cost of living would be remarkably different.

- If a student needed all 46.5 credit hours of the MBA (16 classes):
  - Scenario 1: At minimum full time pace as listed on the I-20 (4-year program): The total tuition cost would be at the “per hour rate” each semester (6 hours fall, 6 hours spring, 0 hours summer) with a total program cost of approximately $47,850 (excluding annual tuition increase).
  - Scenario 2: As quickly as possible in eighteen months (1.5-year program): The total tuition cost would be at the “flat rate” most semesters and a total of approximately $44,140 (excluding annual tuition increase).

Scholarships and funding
Institutional funding for international students is limited. In order to secure a visa, international students must provide proof that they enough personal funding to cover the cost of the program. Both International Admissions and the University Center for International Education may have scholarship opportunities for international students.

The Raj Soin College of Business offers two (2) types of scholarships for MBA students. There is no distinction between “international” or “domestic” applicants. Qualified international students are eligible for the Graduate Assistantships (GA) and Graduate Tuition Scholarships (GTS). 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 upcoming academic year).
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General Information

- Wright State International Admissions 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 Admissions for more information.**

- All MBA applications and supporting documents (including documentation for visa requirements) should be submitted at the time of application. If you have questions about submitting required documentation, please follow up with International Admissions.

- The College of Business does not process admissions for the MBA program. **Please do not send any application materials to the College of Business.**

- In order to secure a visa, international students must prove that they have enough personal funding to pay for their program. The tuition quoted on the I-20 is the **annual cost of tuition for minimum full time study:** six (6) credit hours (2 classes) in fall, six (6) credit hours (2 classes) in spring, and zero (0) credit hours in summer. If students take more classes each semester, or take classes in the summer, their **actual** tuition costs will be greater. Please note that at this minimum full time rate, it will take between 3 and 4 years to complete the MBA program, depending on how many foundation courses are required.

- The College of Business supports the CPT and OPT work authorization plans sponsored by the federal government. This program allows qualified graduate students the opportunity to work off campus in their field of study during their program (CPT), or after their graduation (OPT). For more information on the CPT and OPT programs, please visit the [University Center for International Education](http://www.universitycenterforinternationaleducation.com) website.
Applying to the MBA program

1. Submit an online application to the MBA program to Wright State University International Admissions 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 degree
   - Documentation of financial resources

4. 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 as long as they meet the admission criteria for the MBA program at the time of application. Please note: if you are going to apply for the LEAP Program, your application instructions may be different than those listed here. Please contact the LEAP program for information.

5. Wait while your application is processed. Once all the documents listed above are received it may take a few weeks to process your application. 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.
I have been admitted... Now what??

1. If admitted to the MBA program, you will receive an admissions letter and further instructions from International Admissions. Read and follow all the instructions carefully. If you have any questions, follow up with International Admissions. This package will also include: “I-20 Certificate of Eligibility” (or DS-2019) and I-901 SEVIS number (required for visa application), information about the mandatory “Check In” and “Orientation Session” required for all international students at Wright State University, and information on optional airport pick up service and housing.

2. While you are still in your home country, have your local doctor fill out and certify your Medical History Form (in English). If you cannot prove that you have received the required immunizations, you will have to have them upon arrival and there will be a fee for each immunization.

3. You will receive an admission letter (by email) from the Raj Soin College of Business. Before you arrive in Dayton, call or email the Raj Soin College of Business to make arrangements for an advising appointment shortly after your scheduled 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, it is likely that you will not 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 make arrangements to arrive in Dayton Ohio in advance of the mandatory “Check-in” and “Orientation Session” for international students as outlined in your admission package.

We look forward to meeting you!!

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