

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMIN (MBA)

MBA-501 Business Methods Statistics (3 credits)

This course will prepare the graduate student to apply and analyze the descriptive and inferential methods of statistics. The use of computer models will enhance the underlying mathematical concepts that the student will be expected to synthesize. There will be a particular emphasis on research, including design, the collection of data, and an analysis of that data through competent statistical compilation.

MBA-602 Theories of Economics (3 credits)

This course goes beyond just the principles of macro and microeconomics and teaches business decision making by allowing students to both understand the economic issues involved in and apply economic theories to the analysis of concrete, real world problems. The course attempts to synthesize theoretical principles of economics with functional areas of business as a foundation for higher-level business courses.

MBA-603 Financial & Management Accounting (3 credits)

As an introduction, a basic financial accounting review is provided. U.S. financial accounting is related to global international accounting. Financial accounting is bridged to managerial accounting. Managerial accounting is defined and contrasted with financial accounting. The process of managerial accounting and its use by managers in an organization is described and assessed. Major cost accounting systems and how they work in our modern technological environment are reviewed and analyzed. Planning and control systems in current organizations are examined through budgeting, standard costing and responsible accounting principles. Use of managerial accounting for decision making and financial statement analysis completes the managerial accounting process.

MBA-604 Human Resources Management (3 credits)

Strategic management of human resources in any organization must be addressed within the larger scope of strategic business planning and leadership. People are often the competitive advantage in an organization, but only when the human-focused policies and practices align with the strategic directions of the organization. This three credit hour, graduate level course will provide students with the ability to formulate and analyze human resources policies and practices in a strategic manner to positively impact the operations of their organizations.

MBA-606 Operations Management (3 credits)

This course focuses on the strategic implementation of operations management tools and techniques to guide decisions related to the process of converting resources into products or services. Decision making and planning to improve core operational capabilities including design and management of operations based on the tools and techniques of operations management are addressed.

Corequisite(s): Take MBA-501

MBA-611 Organizational Leadership (3 credits)

An effective manager needs to be able to lead a group of people toward the accomplishment of organizational objectives. A good leader will also be able to analyze the leadership style and methods of other leaders using critical thought and the application of well-researched theories of leadership. Students will also formulate a personal philosophy of leadership to guide future decisions and actions.

MBA-612 Legal Environment in Business (3 credits)

This course is an analysis and application of the U.S. corporate law and practice from the perspectives of practitioners. This legal analysis and application (through case studies) includes corporate governance principles, contracts, and business tort laws. In addition, this course explores the U.S. securities law, evidence of indebtedness, investment contracts, and certificates of interest in profit-sharing agreements.

MBA-615 Marketing Management (3 credits)

This course presents the importance of the marketing function in the strategic management of the organization. Within the framework of the marketing discipline, students will learn how to ascertain customer needs and to strategically plan to fill those needs while serving an increasingly diverse population. Also considered in this course are issues such as electronic marketing, environmentalism, consumerism and consumer life-style. As part of this course, students will identify actual consumer needs and devise a comprehensive strategic marketing plan.

MBA-616 Corporate Finance (3 credits)

This course will prepare the graduate student to apply and analyze sophisticated methods of investment decision making in a corporate environment. This will include the ability to combine the results of different analyses, as well as the discernment of the most appropriate tool in a given circumstance. There will be a particular emphasis on research, including problem solving in a practical business setting.

Corequisite(s): Take MBA-603

MBA-623 Special Topics in Business Management (3 credits)

This course is designed to help students gain in-depth knowledge of current management issues; specific problems and issues related to organizational change; analysis of human resources; operations, and strategic management, finance and investments; or in areas of international trade and global management. Students interested in a particular area of business can enhance their knowledge, skills, and research in this special topics course.

MBA-624 Global Supply Chain Management (3 credits)

This course examines the increasing importance of transportation and logistics to the movement of goods and services in today's global economy. Transportation issues related to policy and regulation, carrier operations, and business logistics (from user's perspective) are explored and analyzed in detail, both on the domestic as well as international levels. Other issues such as supply chain management, export/import operations management and documentation, and management techniques related to logistics and traffic management operations are also discussed.

MBA-655 Strategic Management (3 credits)

This course explores the issues of defining corporate mission, objectives, and goals. Participants focus on the analysis of the firm's external and internal environment to identify and create competitive advantage in a global context. The course emphasizes the cultural, ethical, political, and regulatory issues facing any global business environment, and the need for leadership for a successful management of strategic change. The course serves as a capstone for students to integrate functional areas with the overall strategic issues facing companies in today's business environment.

Prerequisite(s): Complete 30 MBA credits.

MBA-679 Advanced Statistics (3 credits)