# BUSINESS SCHOLARS MBA PROGRAM

Concordia University offers a unique and affordable accelerated path to a master's degree in Business Administration. The Business Scholars Program allows highly qualified incoming freshman to earn both a Bachelor of Science degree in Business and an MBA within four years. MBA tuition costs are the same as regular four-year undergraduate fees.

## **Program Structure**

Business Scholars who complete this challenging program will earn a BS and an MBA. The program is designed to be completed in four years. Scholar students will take an accelerated number of credits each year to complete their two degrees. Students must complete the 120 credits for their undergraduate degree and 36 credits for their MBA in four years. Students take an average of 18 credits per regular semester, and typically bring in transfer or AP credits. Upon completion of 60 undergraduate credits, students may begin enrolling in MBA courses along with completing their remaining undergraduate requirements. In addition, the Business Scholar must maintain a 3.5 out of 4.0 academic average. The Business Scholar Program encompasses all undergraduate business majors and MBA concentrations. Note if a student takes over 18 credits in one semester the students will be charged an overload at the current fee. Students will be charged additional tuition and fees for courses taken during the summer. As business leaders, it is expected that Business Scholar students participate in networking opportunities, School of Business events, and other enrichment programs.

#### **MBA Fast-Track Program**

Students who do not meet the acceptance criteria for Business Scholars may be eligible to apply for the MBA Fast-Track program. See MBA Fast-Track Program for details.

# **Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)**

Students will...

- Evaluate business decisions and ethical dilemmas from a Christian perspective;
- Assess critical business issues using evidence from multiple sources and viewpoints, incorporating a global perspective;
- Integrate knowledge from various business disciplines to make informed decisions;
- Analyze complex questions within challenging business problems and compare and contrast multiple alternatives;
- Utilize quantitative and qualitative data to drive the decision-making process and formulate innovative solutions;
- Demonstrate professional oral and written communication of pertinent business information;
- · Interpret quantitative data to inform strategic decision making;
- Demonstrate proficiency within their selected area of business expertise through the creation of professional business materials, relevant to their selected discipline.

#### Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
Core courses		15
Concentratio	n courses	12

Experiential Lea	arning courses	6
Capstone		3
Total Hours		36
Code	Title	Hours
Core		15
BUS 5100	Ethical Leadership for Dynamic Organizations	
BUS 5110	People-Focused Management	
BUS 5120	Financial Analyses to Drive Business Growth	
BUS 5130	Mastering Analytics and Decision Making	
BUS 5140	Managerial Economics & Econometrics	
Concentration of	courses (see MBA page for choices)	12
Experiential Lea	arning Courses (pick 2)	6
BUS 7000	Industry Leaders Seminar Series	
BUS 7010	MBA Internship / Intraship	
BUS 7020	Business Coaching	
BUS 7030	Service Learning	
BUS 7040	Study Abroad	
BUS 7050	Project Management	
BUS 7060	Introduction to Six Sigma	
BUS 7090	Special Topics: Business & Industry	
BUS 9345	Environmental Stewardship Plan Development	
Capstone		3
BUS 7500	Strategic Management	
Total Hours		36

### **Admission Requirements**

This demanding program is open to first-year business majors who have met the following high school academic requirements:

- · High school cumulative GPA of 3.8 out of 4.0
- Entering freshman from high school
- · Ability to transfer up to twenty-nine (29) credits to begin program

#### **GPA and Probation**

Business Scholar students must maintain a 3.5 cumulative average while in the program. Students whose GPA falls below a cumulative GPA of 3.5 will be placed on probation for one semester. If a student is unable to achieve a cumulative 3.5 GPA after the probationary semester, the student will be dismissed from the program. The student may use the appeals procedure to present extenuating circumstances which may lead to readmission as a Business Scholar. The student will also need to present a plan for successful continuation in the program.

#### **Graduation Requirements**

To be awarded an MBA degree, a student must complete all thirty-six (36) credit hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and at least a C- in all MBA courses. Students must fill out an online Request to Graduate form while in their final class. Once the final grade has been posted in a student's final class, the student must notify the MBA Office to begin file processing for creating a diploma. Please refer to the Graduation Information page on the Concordia website for important graduation deadlines.

Please see your advisor for more information.