

Programs

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

(30 credits)

The Master of Business Administration, under the Tagliatela School of Business and Leadership, is a graduate professional degree designed for the working professional. The M.B.A. provides a strong conceptual foundation for the successful management of business, with emphasis on the skills needed for creating new value for customers and maximizing competitiveness in an increasingly dynamic and global environment. The M.B.A. provides the opportunity to profit from practical work-related experiences through collaborative learning and student interaction.

The culmination of the program has students prepare a comprehensive Capstone project, which consists of the development of a working business plan for an entrepreneurial endeavor or business consulting activity, and complete an internship.

Upon completing the program of study in Business Administration, students will:

- Demonstrate advanced critical thinking and communication skills.
- Demonstrate advanced understanding of concepts in the functional areas of business.
- Demonstrate an ability to apply formal concepts to real world situations.
- Demonstrate a capacity for informed moral decision making in the business environment.

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from a nationally or regionally accredited institution approved by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.8.*
- A minimum of two years requisite experience in an organization.
- Proficiency in the business application of personal computers.
- For non-native English-speakers, a minimum score of 550 paper-based, 80 internet-based, or 213 computer-based on the Test of English as a Foreign Language .
- Proof of immunization in accordance with Connecticut state requirements.
- For fully online students, a driver's license or DMV photo identification is required.
- Applicants intending to use VA benefits submit a copy of their certificate of eligibility to a school certifying official.

The applicant must submit:

- Official transcripts from all nationally and regionally accredited degree-granting institutions, approved by the USDE or CHEA, attended.

- An essay (of 500–600 words, double-spaced) on their professional career interests, reasons for entering the program and expectations of the program.
- Two letters of recommendation from former professors or professional associates.

* *Applicants who do not meet the above G.P.A. requirement may be admitted to the program on a provisional basis. You may be required to complete preparatory courses or to earn a 3.0 cumulative grade point average in 6 credits before being fully admitted to the program.*

Transfer Credits

Albertus Magnus College will accept a maximum of 6 graduate hours from nationally or regionally accredited institutions approved by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) toward satisfying the program requirements. Such credits must have been completed prior to entrance into the program and must satisfy degree requirements. Transfer credits must have been completed with a minimum grade of 3.0 within the last five years. Transfer credits will be considered on an individual basis. Students must submit an official transcript showing proof of completion of the course(s) to be transferred. All requests to transfer credits must be completed prior to starting the program. Internal transfer students from other Albertus graduate programs must complete at least 50% of their requirements (15 credits) in the Albertus M.B.A. program.

Tuition and Fees

- Application Fee: \$50.00
- Tutorial Surcharge: \$500.00 (for student requested tutorial)
- Thesis Continuation Fee: \$250.00 per registration period (within seven years of matriculation) until completion of the thesis.

Fees and rates are subject to change.

Accreditation

Albertus Magnus College is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education.

The Tagliatela School of Business and Leadership at Albertus Magnus College has received specialized accreditation for the Master of Business Administration through the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road in Overland Park, Kansas, USA. The IACBE grants accreditation for business management, public administration, accounting and finance programs only. Locations for program offerings are at the sole discretion of the Member.

The Master of Business Administration is accredited by the State of Connecticut Office of Higher Education.

Program Format

Classes are offered in an accelerated degree format, which consists of five, eight-week modules during the calendar year. As a FLEX program, students have the flexibility of

enrolling full-time or part-time and may choose between blended or fully online options on a course-by-course basis.

Academic Advisement

Admitted students are assigned a faculty advisor, typically the program director. Together the student and advisor will develop a program of study. Throughout the program the advisor will assist students with course planning, registration and regular academic review.

Course Load

Students may register for no more than 6 credits per mod.

Graduation Requirements

- Completion of all requirements within seven years of matriculation, including completion of the capstone course.
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0.
- Minimum grade in each course of 2.0.
- Payment of all tuition and fees.

Graduation with Honors

Master's degree candidates who have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.90 are awarded honors and will have the notation included on their transcript and diploma.

PROGRAM OF STUDY

M.B.A.

REQUIRED CORE (30 credits)

MB 512	Ethical Issues in Business
MB 515	Economic Theory and Application
MB 516	Organizational Behavior
MB 518	Marketing Concepts and Strategies
MB 611	Quantitative Research for Managers
MB 614	Information Systems Issues for Managers
MB 636	Legal Issues in Business
MB 638	Financial Statement Analysis
MB 580	Internship
MB 660	Strategic Management Capstone

Master of Business Administration: Five-Year B.S./M.B.A. (Traditional Undergraduate Students Only)

This program is designed for traditional undergraduate students who have demonstrated an ability to excel and a desire to obtain a Master of Business Administration degree in a minimal amount of time.

A total of 150 credits are required to receive both the Bachelor of Science in Business Management and Master of Business Administration. Of these, 120 credits are completed in the undergraduate program and 30 credits in the graduate program. During senior year, students take 2 graduate courses in addition to their regular undergraduate schedule.

Students with 30 credits remaining entering their senior year take a total of 18 credits each semester (15 undergraduate and 3 graduate credits). There is no extra cost to the student for these credits during their undergraduate study if they have been accepted into the five-year program. A preferred approach is that students accelerate their undergraduate studies prior to their senior year and enter their senior year with 24 credits remaining in the undergraduate program. This approach would allow seniors to complete 12 undergraduate credits and 3 graduate credits, 15 total credits, in each semester of their final year.

Students should apply to the Master of Business Administration program during the spring of their junior year and must have an overall G.P.A. of 3.5 to be accepted into the five-year program. At the time of acceptance, students will be assigned a graduate faculty advisor in addition to their undergraduate faculty advisor.