Master of Business Administration

Benedictine University
The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that U.S. employers will have nearly 2.4 Million jobs that require a graduate degree or higher between 2012 and 2022.

M.B.A.

Leaders in the 21st century must make their way through the maze of market uncertainty, global competition, ethical challenges and constant change. Benedictine University's Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) prepares students to chart that course. The Benedictine M.B.A. develops both quantitative and qualitative competence for professionals. With the tools of quantitative analysis, students assess business risks and strategic alternatives. Qualitative analysis aligns action with opportunity, transforming ideas into implementation.

The Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) program at Benedictine University has prepared students for managerial roles in corporate and human service organizations for more than 40 years. By conveying practical knowledge and essential skills in such areas as management, accounting, economics, finance, strategy and marketing, the Benedictine M.B.A. provides the analytical and theoretical tools essential for making sound business decisions. You may also choose to pursue a greater level of knowledge in a specialized area of business by focusing in one of 20 areas of concentration. The M.B.A. is an essential element in your career growth and leadership development. Widely recognized as a powerful professional credential, the Benedictine M.B.A. is available through four delivery options to best suit your personal and professional needs.

Program Overview

- Flexible M.B.A. Program
- Internship Program (4+1)
- Dual Degrees

Flexible M.B.A. Program

Benedictine’s Flexible M.B.A. program is designed for working adults with at least two years of professional work experience. For those who seek flexibility in their course schedules, evening, afternoon matinee and weekend classes are held on the main campus in Lisle to meet your needs. “Flexible” refers to class schedule options, which may include part-time or full-time enrollment and various schedule options for several required classes. All classes are delivered on campus in a traditional face-to-face setting. Some courses may also be taken online. Speak with your graduate admissions counselor for more information.

Benedictine M.B.A. faculty believe in building on your knowledge and experience — not replicating what you already know. The M.B.A. program may accept graduate coursework completed at another institution. An additional 16 quarter credit hours may be waived for prior undergraduate coursework taken within the last seven years, pending department chair approval.* This means that you can potentially complete your degree in as little as one year.

Internship Program (4+1)

Our Internship M.B.A. program was developed specifically for recent Benedictine graduates and offers a professional internship experience supervised by a faculty advisor. Students may satisfy degree requirements in one year. Classes are conducted evenings and online to allow for the demands of daytime internships.

Dual Degrees

Benedictine offers dual M.B.A. degrees with graduate degree programs in Management Information Systems, Management and Organizational Behavior, Public Health, Accountancy, Nursing and Business Analytics. Dual degree programs consist of 96 quarter credit hours. Application and admission are required to each graduate program, and students must complete all requirements for the selected dual degree.

Benedictine is pleased to announce a new partnership with The John Marshall Law School. A dual Master of Business Administration/Juris Doctor (M.B.A./J.D.) program allows a student to earn an M.B.A. from Benedictine University and a J.D. from The John Marshall Law School. The dual degree program is fully integrated for students seeking to gain an advantage in today’s global business environment and the corporate world. Students must apply to both schools separately and meet the admissions requirements for both institutions.

* Combination of graduate credit transfer and undergraduate course waiver cannot exceed 32 quarter credit hours.
Certificate programs are designed to provide a concentrated focus beyond the core M.B.A. curriculum. Students can choose from certificates in Accounting, Advanced Accounting (accounting courses may be counted toward fulfillment of the Illinois CPA Society 150 rule), Business Administration, Business Law, Derivatives Trading, Entrepreneurship and Managing Innovation, Financial Management, Integrated Marketing Communications, International Management, Internet Marketing (online only), Operations Management and Logistics, Project Management and Sustainable Business and Leadership. Courses may be taken any quarter of the year and some may be applied toward the M.B.A. degree for students who are accepted into the degree-seeking program.

Ann Fulmer wants her students in the M.B.A. program at Benedictine University to learn that marketing is more than a mannequin in a window or telemarketer calling at dinner time. So after they learn how to develop and present comprehensive marketing plans, she connects them with real-world clients. Read the rest of the Ann’s story at ben.edu/OurStories.

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The Master of Business Administration requires a total of 64 quarter credit hours (equivalent of 16 courses).

Foundation Courses — 24 quarter credit hours
- MBA 520 Leadership and Business Ethics in a Global Environment
- MBA 541 Analytical Tools for Management Decisions
- MBA 510 Economics
- MBA 530 Organizational Behavior
- MBA 532 or MBA 633 Legal Issues in the Workplace
- MBA 539 International Business
- MBA 500 Financial Accounting
- MBA 501 Accounting for Non-Financial Managers

The Managerial Process — 28 quarter credit hours
- MBA 601 Managerial Accounting
- MBA 545 Business Law
- MBA 611 Managerial Economics
- MBA 630 Operations Management
- MBA 683 Project Management
- MBA 641 Information Technology Management
- MBA 651 Financial Management
- MBA 661 Marketing Management
- MBA 671 Strategic Management
+(Plus 12 elective quarter credit hours for a total of 64 quarter credit hours)

M.B.A. Concentrations
- Accounting
- Business Analytics
- Business Law
- Derivatives Trading
- Entrepreneurship and Managing Innovation
- Financial Management
- Health Administration
- Human Resource Management
- Information Systems Security
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- International Business
- Internet Marketing
- Management Consulting
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing Management
- Nonprofit Management
- Operations Management and Logistics
- Organizational Leadership
- Project Management
- Sustainable Business and Leadership

Note: Optional classes (MBA 633, MBA 501, MBA 545 and MBA 641) are only available in the Flexible format.
M.B.A. Full-Time Faculty

Ron P. Baiman, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Accountancy Programs (2013)

Sharon Borowicz, Ph.D., EA
Associate Professor, Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in Accountancy and Master of Science in Taxation Programs (2005)

John C. Draut, M.B.A.
Instructor and Program Director, Master of Science in Accountancy Program (2008)

Ricky M. Holman, J.D.
Chair and Assistant Professor, Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Accountancy Programs (2013)

Barbara T. Ozog, Ph.D.
Program Director and Professor, Master of Science in Management Information Systems and Master of Science in Business Analytics Programs (1992)

Thomas Yu, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Accountancy Programs (2008)

Date in parenthesis indicates the year person joined Benedictine University faculty.

Additional Full-Time Faculty

Peter Sorensen, Ph.D., RODC
Chair and Professor, Master of Science in Management and Organizational Behavior Program

Senior Lecturers

George Chakrabarty, M.B.A., MCPM
Ann Fulmer, M.S.
R. David Fulton, M.S., CPA
Kenneth Hansen, J.D., M.S.
James Hill, M.B.A.
Joe Kocinski, M.B.A.
John Malec, M.A.
Peter Papantos, M.B.A.
Ronald Revers, Ph.D.
Bernard Silverman, Ph.D.
Joseph Youchison, M.S., M.B.A.
James Zoda, Ph.D.

Adjunct Faculty

David Baker, M.B.A., CPA
Kim Beck, M.B.A., CPA
Duffy Blackburn, M.A.F.M., M.B.A., CPA, CFE
Chris Fernandez, Ph.D.
Darryl Franklin, Ph.D.
Sharolyn Franklin, M.B.A., CPA, CTP
John Frech, M.B.A., CPA
Philip L. Hupfer, M.S.
Mark Kozak, M.B.A., M.A.
Richard Magner, Ph.D.
John Potocki, M.B.A.
Kevin Pugh, M.B.A., M.S.
David Schreier, M.B.A.
Tom Scott M.S.A., CPA
Greg Sellers, Ph.D.
Mark Martin Sowa, M.A., M.B.A.
Martin Terpstra, M.S., CPA
Derrick Walters, Ed.D. (ABD), M.B.A., PMP, ITIL

Emeritus Faculty

David Dibblee, M.B.A., CPA