Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)

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Introduction

The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Degree Completion program offers a challenging variety of courses intended to give students a well-rounded background in all aspects of operating a business. The program helps students develop critical-thinking, problem-solving, leadership, and other skills that will serve them on the job today as well as become a foundation for lifelong learning. The courses will be offered in an eight-week format (two courses per session when available) and regular (one course per session) track.

These business courses will help equip students to adapt to the constantly changing business world, including the globalization of the economy. They will give students credentials that can serve as a launching pad for a variety of business operation and leadership positions, as well as an advanced degree in business.

The College of Business Administration provides leadership in the creation and transmission of knowledge as one of the largest and best undergraduate business programs in the Chicago area. This outstanding education is enhanced through high-quality graduate programs, academically challenging and innovative theoretical and applied research, active professional development programs, and an array of research and outreach centers.

Accreditation

The College of Business Administration is accredited by AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. AACSB International accreditation represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools worldwide. Institutions that earn accreditation confirm their commitment to quality and continuous improvement through a rigorous and comprehensive peer review. AACSB accreditation is the hallmark of excellence in management education.

Admission

BBA application deadlines and complete admissions information (https://business.uic.edu/undergraduate-programs/online-bachelor-business-administration) can be found on the CBA website. Interested students should fill out the form found on the college website to arrange for a review of their transcripts and to determine where they stand with respect to the admission requirements and prerequisites, which are described below.

Admission Requirements

The Bachelor of Business Administration degree completion program from the College of Business Administration at the University of Illinois at Chicago covers the final 60 credit hours required to receive the bachelor’s degree. Students meet the admission requirements for the BBA degree completion program if they have:

- Completed at least 60 hours of prerequisite postsecondary course work with a grade of C or better (see description of prerequisites below)
- Maintained a cumulative GPA of 2.50/4.00 in all postsecondary course work

Students should submit the following to support their request for admission:

- A completed application
- Official transcripts from all prior postsecondary institutions attended, including prior attendance at any campus of the University of Illinois

Records are considered official if they meet one of the following criteria:

- The issuing institution sends them electronically to bba@uic.edu.
- They are certified as true copies by an official of the educational institution, an embassy official, or an appropriate government official.
- They have been received in an envelope sealed by the issuing institution or from an authorized email address.

International Students

The college considers an international student to be any student who does not have American citizenship or permanent residency status. In addition to the materials requested above and TOEFL scores, international applicants must also submit:

- A list of all subjects/courses studied each year
- Grades or examination results received, including maximum and minimum grades obtainable
- Certified/attested English translation of all credentials
- Degrees, certificates, and diplomas awarded accompanied by leaving results
- Official syllabus in English describing fully all course work attempted

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Prerequisites

Students must have completed at least 60 hours of postsecondary course work, in the following two categories:

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General Education and Elective Requirements (44 hours)

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a There are numerous courses that can be applied to these categories and satisfy the university requirement of 24 hours of general education course work with at least one course in each of these categories. Students can find a list of these courses and other information about UIC General Education requirements in the General Education (http://catalog.uic.edu/ucat/courses-depts/business-administration/bba/20http://catalog.uic.edu/ucat/degree-programs/general-education) section of the catalog.

b Other Mathematics, Calculus, Statistics or quantitative analysis courses are highly recommended prerequisites that can be taken in order to satisfy the 24 hours of Electives requirements. However, many courses that satisfy the above general education requirements as well as those required for an associate's degree in business can also satisfy the Electives requirements.

Please Note: An earned Associate of Arts or Associate of Science Degree from an Illinois community college fulfills the General Education requirements, per the Illinois Articulation Initiative. Students who have not earned such a degree must complete 60 transferable hours including the Core and General Education requirements above.

Students can select from a number of different courses to satisfy the broad General Education categories listed above. Following is a brief description of each category:

- Analyzing the Natural World: Courses in this category should introduce students to scientific and mathematical concepts and methods.
- Exploring World Cultures: Courses in this category should address significant aspects of any culture that is not part of the mainstream American culture.
- Understanding the Creative Arts: Courses in this category should focus, in close detail, on a number of significant works in literature, art, or other media.
- Understanding the Individual and Society: Courses in this category should introduce students either to the complexities of the individual or the relationship of the individual to social structures.
- Understanding the Past: Courses in this category should have as their focus significant past events.
- Understanding U.S. Society: Courses in this category should address some significant aspect of U.S. Society as their central focus.

BBA Curriculum

The curriculum of the 60-semester-hour program is listed below. The BBA is a cohort program with a prescribed sequence of courses. Students should work with academic advisors to rearrange the sequence if circumstances do not allow them to participate during a given term or terms. Courses are eight weeks in length with the exception of the BA 300 and the capstone course BA 495, which are 16 weeks.

The curriculum of the 60-semester-hour program is as follows:

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<td>Introduction to Organizations</td>
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<td>Business and Its External Environment</td>
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<td>MKTG 360</td>
<td>Introduction to Marketing</td>
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<td>ECON 220</td>
<td>Microeconomics: Theory and Applications</td>
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<td>or BA 330</td>
<td>Analysis of Firms, Markets, and Industries for Business Decision Making</td>
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Selectives

Select 19 hours of selective course work in consultation with BBA advisors. College maintains list of appropriate courses.

Total Hours | 60

Academic Advising Services

BBA students will have a designated advisor for their program to ensure academic success. Advising will be delivered in a variety of innovative methods such as Google Hangouts, Skype, and using the existing student advising program. Advisors will work with students to customize their schedule if life events or other circumstances prevent them from following the prescribed order.

Business Career Center Services

The Business Career Center offers students help with anything from general career advice to exploring specific career paths. Students can schedule a one-on-one meeting with a career advisor by signing up through UIC Careers (https://uic-csm.symplicity.com/students).

Textbooks and Course Packets

Textbooks are available through the UIC Bookstore Online or other vendors including eBook options. Textbooks and materials for each term
are available in the Student Resource Center several weeks prior to each start.

**Library Services**

The University of Illinois at Chicago provides easy access to library resources online, including electronic reserves and materials necessary to complete course-related research. Assistance will be available by email, phone, or the “Ask the Librarian” feature. Online tutorials, guides, and other forms of assistance will help students gain familiarity with the library resources most appropriate for a program.