

Flex Track MBA Program Information*

CURRICULUM

Course Title	Credits*
MBA Fundamentals	
Online Primer	1.5
Leadership Challenge	2.0
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VSB Pillars	
Developing and Leveraging Technology	1.5
Ethical Business Practices	1.5
Managing for Innovation and Creativity	1.5
Global Political Economics	1.5
Functional Core	
Analyzing and Leveraging Data	3.0
Performance Management and Reporting Fundamentals: A Global Accounting Perspective	3.0
Financial Analysis and Decision Making	3.0
Strategic Marketing Management	3.0
Business Operations in the 21 st Century	1.5
Team Leadership and Group Dynamics	1.5
Capstone	
Capstone I	1.5
Global Strategic Management	3.0
Capstone II	3.0
Multidisciplinary	
Multidisciplinary Course 1	1.5
Multidisciplinary Course 2	1.5
Multidisciplinary Course 3	1.5
Multidisciplinary Course 4	1.5
Specialization	
Elective 1	1.5
Elective 2	1.5
Elective 3	1.5
Elective 4	1.5
Elective 5	1.5
Elective 6	1.5
Current Issues in Business	
"Current Issues in Business" Seminars (total of four)	1.0
Total Credits	48

To fulfill MBA degree requirements, candidates must complete all 48 credits. Course descriptions are available through the Novasis system.

Course Sequence

MBA 8100 and MBA 8050, The Leadership Challenge and Online Primer, must be taken in the first semester. VSB Pillar and Functional Core courses must be completed before registering for Capstone I, electives and multidisciplinary courses. You may register for an elective or multidisciplinary course in the same semester you are completing the Capstone I course.

*For students who began the program in Summer 2009 and after.

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Global Strategic Management and *Capstone II* may only be taken after all other courses are completed.

Students employed more than 25 hours a week may not register for more than two courses each semester in addition to the Leadership Challenge. Full-time students may register for up to 12 credits plus the Leadership Challenge during the fall and spring semesters.

Electives in the Graduate Tax Program

MBA students who have taken MBA 8122 Federal Income Tax Concepts or have an undergraduate degree in accountancy and substantial tax experience are permitted to take as electives three courses offered in the Graduate Tax Program as electives. For information on tax courses call the Graduate Tax Office at 610-519-7043.

Prerequisites for Courses

Prerequisites for all courses are indicated in the Novasis system in the course information. Generally, please defer to the Course Sequence listed above. **A prerequisite and the course for which it is required may not be taken in the same semester.**

INDEPENDENT STUDY

An Independent Study gives a student an opportunity to thoroughly study and research a particular business related topic of interest. A proposal must be submitted by the student and approved by the sponsoring professor, the department chair, and the Assistant Dean, Graduate Business Programs two weeks prior to the start of the semester. To be eligible for an Independent Study, students must have completed the Capstone I course. More information regarding Independent Study process is available at <http://www.villanova.edu/business/resources/students/gradstudents.htm>.

MBA FELLOWS PROGRAM

The Graduate Business Programs Office offers positions for the MBA Fellows Program. The function of the Fellow is to assist faculty members in research activities. A student awarded a Fellow position is provided a stipend for the academic year and receives tuition remission for MBA courses, awarded each semester for up to four semesters, contingent on a positive review from the faculty member(s) to which the fellow is assigned. To be eligible for this position, an individual may not be employed during the term in which they are a Fellow. The Fellows program is generally awarded to incoming students. Currently enrolled students are welcome to apply, but the number of courses remaining will be considered when evaluating applications.

The MBA Fellows Program application can be downloaded from the MBA website. The deadlines for applying for fall or spring assistantships are March 31 and October 15, respectively. Summer assistantships are available to returning Fellows. During the summer the University will waive tuition in exchange for research activities, but a stipend is not provided.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Registration materials will be emailed to you and include the start date for online registration via the Novasis system, as well as the pin number to access the registration area, and the academic calendar. The academic calendar is also posted on the MBA website. This information is emailed/posted approximately two months prior to the start of each semester.

TUITION

For the 2009-2010 academic year, tuition is \$775 per credit.