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Graduate School of Business 4+1/Accelerated

Master's Admission Policy

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6. 03/04/25 9:35 am

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- 2. Jun 1, 2023 by
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- 3. Apr 28, 2024 by
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- 4. Dec 5, 2024 by Mike
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Program Delivery

Method

On Campus

Is this program interdisciplinary between two or more colleges or schools?

No

Do the proposed changes impact any specific course(s) from another college or school?

No

Program Requirements and Description

Requirements

The 4+1 ~~or Accelerated~~ Master's Programs in the Graduate School of Business allow well-prepared undergraduate students at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, to begin graduate studies during the last year of their undergraduate careers. Students accepted to an approved 4+1 ~~or accelerated~~ program enroll in up to 12 hours of approved graduate coursework and may be able to apply those hours to both their undergraduate and graduate degrees. Each individual degree program has specific application procedures and limitations on use of hours as defined in each degree's entry in the Graduate Catalog below. Contact the Graduate School of Business for more information via gsb@walton.uark.edu or visit gsb.uark.edu.

4+1 Programs

Students applying for a 4+1 program are evaluated holistically on a case-by-case basis looking at a variety of factors. Students must have a 3.2 undergraduate GPA at the time of application and must apply by the published application deadline in their junior year. Admission to a 4+1 program does not guarantee admission to the Graduate School of Business or an individual master's degree program. Students admitted into a 4+1 program must earn a minimum of 3.0 average on all graduate coursework completed prior to matriculation into a degree program in the Graduate School of Business. Students who do not achieve a 3.0 on all graduate coursework attempted must reapply to the Graduate School of Business to the master's degree program of their choice.

Master of Applied Business Analytics

Admitted students may enroll in up to 12 approved hours of graduate coursework and apply those hours towards both their undergraduate and graduate degrees. (As students may only enroll in these hours during their senior year, typically only 6 graduate hours of coursework is feasible for most students' academic planning.)

Master of Information Systems

Admitted students may enroll in up to 12 approved hours of graduate coursework and apply those hours towards both their undergraduate and graduate degrees. (As students may only enroll in these hours during their senior year, typically only 6 graduate hours of coursework is feasible for most students' academic planning.)

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4+1 students who continue into the M.I.S. graduate degree program will participate in the part-time professional version of the degree which carries a separate tuition and fee structure. Please consult the Graduate School of Business for more information.

M.S. in Economic Analytics

Admitted students may enroll in up to 6 approved hours of graduate coursework and apply those hours towards both their undergraduate and graduate degrees.

M.S. in Finance

Admitted students may enroll in up to 6 approved hours of graduate coursework and apply those hours towards both their undergraduate and graduate degrees.

M.S. in Supply Chain Management

Admitted students may enroll in up to 6 approved hours of graduate coursework and apply those hours towards both their undergraduate and graduate degrees.

~~Accelerated Master's Programs Students applying for the Accelerated M.B.A. program are evaluated holistically on a case-by-case basis looking at a variety of factors. Students must have a 3.2 undergraduate GPA at the time of application and must apply by the published application deadline in their junior year. Admission to the Accelerated M.B.A. program does not guarantee admission to the Graduate School of Business or the M.B.A. degree program. Students admitted into the Accelerated M.B.A. program must earn a minimum of 2.85 average on all graduate coursework completed prior to matriculation into the degree program in the Graduate School of Business. Students who do not achieve a 2.85 on all graduate coursework attempted must reapply directly to the Graduate School of Business and the M.B.A. degree program. Accelerated Master of Business Administration Admitted students may enroll in up to 19 hours of M.B.A. coursework out-of-career. A maximum of 6 of these approved hours may apply towards both their undergraduate and graduate degrees. Applicants to a Graduate School of Business 4+1 or Accelerated Master's Program must submit the following items:~~*

Application form (gsb.uark.edu)

Current resume

Statement of Purpose ~~For Accelerated M.B.A. only: 3 letters of recommendation (4+1 programs do not require letters of recommendation as part of the application process)~~

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Current international students may need updated immigration documents and must satisfy the university's English Language Proficiency requirement to be matriculated as a graduate student in the Graduate School of Business.

Description and justification of the request

Description of specific change	Justification for this change
Reference to Accelerated MBA removed.	As the full-time MBA program is reduced from two years to one, it does not functionally support an accelerated path any longer.

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Reviewer Comments

- Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza) (03/03/25 10:37 am):

ATTENTION REGISTRAR: Please remove Undergraduate Council from the workflow.
- Gina Daugherty (gdaugher) (03/03/25 5:14 pm):

Undergraduate Council removed from workflow.

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