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Catalog Pages Using this Program

[Operations Analytics \(OPAN\)](#)

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Program Status: Active

Academic Level: Graduate

Type of proposal: Major/Field of Study

Select a reason for this modification

Making Changes that Qualify for a Shortened Approval Process (including 15 or fewer hours within the college, total hours and admission/graduation requirements remain the same)

Are you adding a concentration? No

Are you adding or modifying a track? No

Are you adding or modifying a focused study? No

Effective Catalog Year: Fall 2024

College/School Code: College of Engineering (ENGR)

Department Code:

In Workflow

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3. 01/30/24 4:16 pm
Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza): Approved for Director of Curriculum Review

Department of Industrial Engineering (INEG)

Program Code OPANMS
 Degree Master of Science in Operations Analytics
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 5. 01/31/24 10:30 am
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History

1. May 14, 2020 by Manuel Rossetti (rossetti)
2. Jun 16, 2021 by Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza)
3. May 23, 2022 by Gina Daugherty (gdaugher)
4. Nov 8, 2023 by Gina Daugherty (gdaugher)
5. Jan 12, 2024 by Gina Daugherty (gdaugher)
6. Jan 25, 2024 by Gina Daugherty (gdaugher)

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Program Title

Operations Analytics, Master of Science in Operations Analytics

Program Delivery

Method

On Campus

Online/Web-based

Is this program interdisciplinary?

No

Does this proposal impact any courses from another College/School?

No

What are the total hours needed to complete the program? 30

On-line/Web-based Information

Reason for offering
Web-based Program

To reach working professionals who need the flexibility that on-line delivery permits.

Maximum Class Size 20
for Web-based
Courses

Course delivery
mode

Method(s)
Blended Delivery Methods

Describe Blended
Delivery Methods

Online and course project based methods

Class interaction
mode

Method(s):
Other

Specify Other
Interaction Methods

Blackboard

Percent Online

50-99%

100% with No Required Campus Component

Provide a List of
Services Supplied by
Consortia Partners or
Outsourced
Organization

The only service outsourced is online proctoring service. The University of Arkansas partners with ProctorU for online test proctoring services for some online exams.

Estimate Costs of the refer to the required
Program over the proposal document
First 3 Years attached

List Courses Taught
by Adjunct Faculty

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Memorandum of
Understanding Forms
(if required)

Program Requirements and Description

Requirements

Prerequisites to the M.S.O.A. Degree Program:

There are no prerequisites for students with an undergraduate degree from an ABET-accredited industrial engineering program.

For students with a degree other than an ABET-accredited industrial engineering degree, a number of prerequisite courses may be required. Students are expected to have completed mathematics courses through differential and integral calculus of several variables and vector calculus and linear algebra. Students are expected to have completed a calculus-based probability and statistics course. In addition, students are expected to have completed a computer programming course. Specific University of Arkansas courses that meet these prerequisites are available on-line through the INEG departmental web-pages.

Requirements for the Master of Science in Operations Analytics

In addition to the requirements of the Graduate School and the College of Engineering, the following program requirements must be satisfied by candidates for the M.S.O.A. degree.

Candidates for the degree are required to complete 30 semester hours of course work.

All candidates must successfully complete a master's oral examination that is conducted by the candidate's faculty committee.

Accelerated Master of Science in Operations Analytics

High-achieving current undergraduate students seeking a BS degree at the University of Arkansas who choose to pursue graduate studies in Operations Analytics may participate in the accelerated M.S.O.A. program. Provided that 6 credit hours of 5000-level courses listed ~~OPAN course work can be taken~~ as required or electives for in the ~~student's current undergraduate program, students may also count those 6 hours towards their~~ M.S.O.A. degree can be applied towards the student's current undergraduate program, students may also count those 6 hours towards their M.S.O.A. degree. In addition, students may take another 6 credit hours of graduate degree credit as undergraduate students in order to apply them to their M.S.O.A. degree. These additional 6 hours of courses may not have been used towards the B.S. undergraduate degree and must meet M.S.O.A. degree requirements. The total of 12 credit hours of graduate courses taken as an undergraduate student must be taken during the final 12 month period of their undergraduate degree.

Once fully admitted to the M.S.O.A. program, students request that up to 12 hours of 5000-level or above courses taken in the final 12-month period of their undergraduate degree count toward their graduate degree, if these courses were taken on the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville campus. Students then take an additional 18 credit hours of approved OPAN graduate-level courses in order to meet the M.S.O.A. degree requirements.

Undergraduate students interested in the accelerated M.S.O.A. degree should apply to the program prior to starting the second-to-last semester of their undergraduate program. To be eligible students must have a 3.5 cumulative

GPA or higher and submit the normal application materials required by the graduate school for the M.S.O.A. degree program.

Required Courses

<u>OPAN 50003</u>	Introduction to Operations Analytics	3
<u>OPAN 50103</u>	Applied Predictive Analytics	3
<u>OPAN 50203</u>	Applied Prescriptive Analytics	3
<u>OPAN 59003</u>	Operations Analytics Capstone	3
or <u>OPAN 59103</u>	Operations Analytics Industrial Practicum	

Electives

18

Students must select course electives from both of the following course topic areas for a total of 18 credit hours.

Operations Analytics (choose 4 or 5 courses)

<u>INEG 51603</u>	Introduction to Modern Statistical Techniques for Industrial Applications
<u>INEG 53103</u>	Engineering Applications of Probability Theory
<u>INEG 53203</u>	Engineering Applications of Stochastic Processes
<u>INEG 54403</u>	Decision Models
<u>INEG 58303</u>	Introduction to Database Concepts for Industrial Engineers
<u>INEG 56803</u>	Nonlinear Programming
<u>INEG 56903</u>	Heuristic Optimization
<u>OPAN 57103</u>	Simulation Analytics

Engineering and Operations Management (choose 1 or 2 courses)

<u>EMGT 50303</u>	Introduction to Engineering Management
<u>EMGT 50503</u>	Tradeoff Analytics for Engineering Management
<u>EMGT 56003</u>	Systems Thinking and Systems Engineering
<u>OMGT 50103</u>	Supply Chain Management for Operations Managers
<u>OMGT 53703</u>	Quality Management
<u>OMGT 57803</u>	Project Management for Operations Managers
<u>OMGT 59803</u>	Advanced Project Management
<u>INEG 52603</u>	Engineering Statistics
<u>INEG 53303</u>	Design of Industrial Experiments

<u>INEG 54203</u>	Advanced Engineering Economy
<u>INEG 56203</u>	Analysis of Inventory Systems
<u>INEG 58003</u>	Simulation

Total Hours 30

~~For students eligible for the accelerated M.S.O.A. program that have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher, the submission of GRE scores is waived.~~

Are Similar Programs available in the area?

No

Estimated Student Demand for Program 15-30 per year

Scheduled Program Review Date 2028-2029

Program Goals and Objectives

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Successfully applying core operations analytics quantitative modeling skills to the management, control, and improvement of enterprise or public sector organizations.

Demonstrating professional and intellectual growth as managers and leaders in operations analytics and their organizations.

Pursuing life-long learning and continued professional development; and undertaking leadership roles in their profession, in their communities, and in the global society.

Learning Outcomes

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An ability to use information systems, statistics, and computing principles and apply state-of-the-art technologies for data representation, data retrieval, data manipulation, computational analytics, data analysis, visualization as they apply analytics within enterprise operations.

An ability to develop descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive mathematical and statistical models and to apply those models through computational methods to problems of controlling and improving enterprise operations.

An ability to use foundational knowledge and apply critical thinking skills to problem identification, problem solving, and decision making, within the context of controlling and improving enterprise operations.

An ability to adapt analytics concepts to interpret and communicate findings and implications to senior decision makers.

Description and justification of the request

Description of specific change	Justification for this change
<p>There are two changes proposed:</p> <p>(1) In the first paragraph under the header Accelerated Master of Science in Operations Analytics, "OPAN course work can be taken as electives in" is changed to "courses listed as required or electives for the M.S.O.A. degree can be applied towards"</p> <p>(2) The sentence noting the waiver of GRE score submission for students with a CGPA of 3.5 or higher is deleted</p>	<p>Justifications for the two changes:</p> <p>(1) The wording "OPAN course work" is vague and leaves open to interpretation whether this only refers to courses with an OPAN number, or all courses listed in the OPANMS program. The new wording clarifies that it should be inclusive of all required and elective courses listed for the M.S.O.A. degree. Further, the new wording reflects ambivalence regarding whether the courses that are being doubly-applied to both an undergraduate and accelerated master's degree were taken as required or electives in the undergraduate program.</p> <p>(2) The submission of GRE scores is no longer required for applying to OPANMS, regardless of CGPA.</p>

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Reviewer Comments

Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza) (01/30/24 4:15 pm): Updated submitter information and adjusted type of proposal back to Major/Field of Study.

Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza) (01/30/24 4:15 pm): ATTENTION REGISTRAR: Please remove Undergraduate Council from the workflow.

Gina Daugherty (gdaugher) (01/31/24 8:47 am): Removed Undergraduate Council from workflow.

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