

# BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: ONE YEAR MBA

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## Introduction

The One Year MBA is the fastest way to earn your MBA and gain valuable experience in Denver. The program includes a fast-paced curriculum with flexibility that matches today's business world. Business consulting projects and optional competitive paid internships add experience to your degree and provide a career launchpad. The majority of classes are held in person, which provides valuable interactions with faculty and classmates. In addition, to provide flexibility, an online, at your own pace, course complements each term.

The program consists of five eight-week terms and a 10-12 night international course abroad. There are breaks between terms. Depending on the term, you should expect approximately 15 hours a week for class, with another 25 hours as an estimate for homework, studying, and group projects outside of class. Please note that these estimates do not include the time needed for consulting projects, which will generally add another 20-25 hours a week to your time commitment. These estimates also do not include possible time spent at an internship, graduate assistantship or on-campus student employment. These numbers are estimates only and may vary for each student.

The program is designed so your entire core curriculum will be taken with your cohort. This structure allows you to build lasting relationships with your peers through teamwork and group projects and presentations.

## Admission and Application Process

The admissions committee considers each candidate's entire record of achievement demonstrated through academic transcripts, GMAT scores (if applicable), essays, required letters of recommendation, work experience and/or extracurricular and community activities. Admission interviews are by invitation only and are conducted via Zoom.

## Previous Education

Applicants' complete academic records, including GPAs and previous course work, are considered. Undergraduate degrees do not have to be in business, but they must be from regionally accredited colleges or universities.

## Testing

The GMAT or GRE is not a requirement for students with at least a 3.0 GPA from an accredited university. For students with lower than a 3.0 GPA, a GMAT or GRE score, or waiver request, must be included in the application to the One Year MBA Program. Both verbal and quantitative scores on the GMAT/GRE are important indicators of potential for academic success. The GMAT website is [www.mba.com](http://www.mba.com) (<http://www.mba.com>).

GMAT waivers are available on a case-by-case basis and can be requested while completing the online application. GMAT waivers take

into consideration professional/student experience as well as academic qualifications, including demonstrated successful academic background in both quantitative and qualitative coursework.

International applicants whose first language is not English must take the TOEFL or IELTS exam and earn a minimum score 90 (IBT) or 575 (PBT) TOEFL or 6.5 IELTS to be considered for admission to the One Year MBA Program. Information on taking the TOEFL or IELTS can be obtained by visiting [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org) (<http://www.ets.org>) and [www.ielts.org](http://www.ielts.org) (<http://www.ielts.org>).

## Work Experience

The admissions committee does not require work experience to apply. Having some professional experience can add relevance and depth to the learning process and enables candidates to contribute to and benefit from the knowledge of fellow classmates in the accelerated time frame of the program.

## Applications

The following are required for consideration of admission to the program.

- Application fee (domestic or international as appropriate)
- Online application for graduate admission
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from professional or academic acquaintances who are familiar with the applicant's academic/professional competence
- GMAT scores or formal waiver request through online application. GMAT or GRE scores taken in the last five years sent directly from the Educational Testing Service. When registering for the GMAT, use code MPB-OG-65; for the GRE use code 4875. GMAT waiver considered on a case-by-case basis with completed waiver statement in application.
- Official transcripts from each school, college or university previously attended past high school, sent directly to the Business School admissions office. A minimum baccalaureate degree is required
- Include answers to the four essay questions demonstrating a commitment to an accelerated MBA program
- A resumé outlining work experience
- For international students, a minimum official score of 90 (IBT) or 575 (PBT) TOEFL (TOEFL school code: 4875) or 6.5 IELTS is required to apply - test scores are valid for two years after test date
- If invited, a personal interview (via Zoom)

The One Year MBA uses a rolling admission system. The committee reviews applications when they are complete in all respects, including transcripts, GMAT/GRE scores (if applicable) and letters of recommendation.

Space in each cohort is limited, so we urge you to apply as early as possible. Applications open in September for the following fall start. The admission rounds provide timing guidance for you, but the program operates on rolling admissions, meaning completed applications are reviewed as they are received.

- **Early Bird:** February 15
- **Priority Deadline:** April 15
- **Final International Student Deadline:** May 15
- **Final Domestic Student Deadline:** June 15

*Program scholarships are competitive and limited in number. Apply early for the best opportunity for consideration. In previous years, scholarships were allocated by April.*

All of the required admission materials should be sent to:

University of Colorado Denver  
The Business School  
Graduate Admissions  
Campus Box 165, P.O. Box 173364  
Denver, CO 80127-3364

For further information, contact the One Year MBA Program at:  
oneyearmba@ucdenver.edu.

## Financial Aid/Scholarships

General financial aid is available for qualified domestic students. Students should apply directly through the CU Denver Office of Financial Aid (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/student-finances/>).

The One Year MBA program offers scholarships specifically for students enrolled in the program.

### One Year MBA Scholarship

**From \$1,000-\$8,000 based on GPA, GMAT, and professional or personal leadership experience.** If you are awarded this scholarship, the award amount will be included in your admission letter. These scholarships are first come first served. The earlier you apply to the program, the better chance of a scholarship. In previous years, these scholarships were allocated by April, so apply to the program as early as possible to be considered.

If you are admitted to the One Year MBA program, you will be able to apply for the following additional scholarships. These scholarships are limited in number, but each category could have more than one recipient. These scholarships awards range anywhere from \$500-\$5,000.

- **One Year MBA Leadership Scholarship**
- **One Year MBA CU Denver Alumni Scholarship**
- **One Year MBA STEM Scholarship**
- **One Year MBA Global Citizen Scholarship**

These scholarship deadlines are in mid-May, so you must submit your application for the One Year MBA no later than April in order to apply for these scholarships.

CU Denver also has an online portal for internal and external scholarships available to admitted CU Denver students. If admitted to the program, you will be able to access this database of scholarships.

The One Year MBA program consists of 45 credit hours. Your credit hours will be made up of core courses, electives, an international course abroad, and consulting coursework.

**No courses may be waived, substituted or transferred into the program.**

If a student finds it necessary to leave the accelerated program, credits already earned may be transferred to the Professional MBA program.

BUSN 6550	Analyzing and Interpreting Accounting Information	3
BUSN 6560	Marketing Dynamics in the 21st Century	3
BUSN 6610	Information Systems Strategy	3
BUSN 6620	Applied Economics for Managers	3
BUSN 6630	Management of Operations	3
BUSN 6640	Financial Management	3
BUSN 6710	Strategic Management	3
Business Consulting in Practice		3
Executive Briefings		1.5
Global Business		1.5
International Business Abroad		3
<b>Electives</b>		
Select from One Year MBA electives		6
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>45</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core/Required Classes</b>		
BUSN 6520	Leading Individuals and Teams	3
BUSN 6530	Data Analytics for Managers	3
BUSN 6540	Legal and Ethical Environment of Business	3