W. P. Carey MBA - Full-Time Program

For future success, take the road that focuses forward. Our full-time MBA program prepares you to lead. The curriculum emphasizes and expands your leadership skills, and our scholarships can significantly help offset the funding of your world-class degree.

Program Description

Degree Awarded: MBA W. P. Carey MBA
Highly ranked by U.S. News & World Report, the full-time MBA program meets the rapid changes and new realities in business and prepares students to be adaptable in the face of the uncertainty and ambiguity of a rapidly changing global economy. This program prepares students for immediate success through a cutting-edge curriculum, dedicated career services and a supportive community.

In tandem with rethinking the way the world does business, the W. P. Carey School of Business is rethinking the way business is taught. This program is designed for individuals who want to immerse themselves in full-time graduate studies and take classes during the day. Small class size in the program supports individual learning, promotes student-faculty interaction and encourages personal and professional development.

The Master of Business Administration curriculum is rooted in transformation of both the students and current business practices and is supported by each of the eight academic units within the W. P. Carey School of Business. Group projects and access to different organizations give students the tools to graduate ready to make a difference in their community and in the world. Connect with internationally renowned faculty, who bring years of real-world experience and innovative research into the classroom. The Master of Business Administration transforms students into leaders who can navigate circumstances filled with ambiguity.

As a STEM-designated master's degree, the program allows eligible graduates on student visas access to an Optional Practical Training extension for up to 36 months, helping international students gain additional skills and experience in the U.S.
At a Glance

- **College/School:** W. P. Carey School of Business
- **Location:** Tempe

**Concurrent Program Options**

Students can choose to create their own *concurrent degree* combination to match their interests by working with their academic advisor during or after their first semester of study. Some concurrent combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum; students should speak with their academic advisor for more details.

This degree is also offered as a concurrent program with the following:

- [Accountancy and Data Analytics, MACC](#)
- [Architecture, MArch](#)
- [Business Analytics, MS](#)
- [Finance, MS](#)
- [Information Systems Management, MS](#)
- [Juris Doctor, JD](#)
- [Legal Studies, MLS](#)
- [Taxation and Data Analytics, MTax](#)

**Degree Requirements**

60 credit hours including the required capstone course (MGT 589)
Required Core (1.5 credit hours)
LES 582 Ethical Issues for Managers (1.5)

Electives (55.5 credit hours)

Culminating Experience (3 credit hours)
MGT 589 Strategic Management (3)

Additional Curricular Information
While there are no business course prerequisites, potential students must demonstrate strong quantitative ability as well as effective written and oral communication skills.

The business school does not accept graduate credits earned while students are in nondegree status or from courses taken prior to admission to the Master of Business Administration program or taken while enrolled in another Master of Business Administration program outside of the W. P. Carey School of Business. Registration in School of Business courses numbered 501 and above is limited to students who have been admitted to a graduate degree program and have the approval of the MBA program office.

The core course is designed to provide a foundation in business knowledge. Elective or specialization courses build upon the business core and center on the further development of a specialization. There may be additional requirements that vary by specialization. The program is typically completed in two years, with a required internship in the summer between the first and second year of study.

All students must successfully complete the comprehensive requirement established for the Master of Business Administration by the W. P. Carey School of Business and the Graduate College. The comprehensive culminating experience is integrated with capstone course MGT 589 Strategic Management. Students passing this course with a grade of "B" (scale is 4.00 = "A") or higher satisfy the comprehensive examination requirement.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the W. P. Carey School of Business.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. GMAT or GRE test scores
4. two letters of recommendation
5. current resume
6. short-answer question responses
7. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information
An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of current residency.

Letters of recommendation should comment on the student's motivation, commitment, achievements, work experience and opportunity for success in the program.

A personal interview, arranged by invitation only, must be completed before an offer of admission may be made.

Applicants should see the department's website for more information.

Application Deadlines

Fall

Global Opportunities

Global Experience
Study abroad is possible for graduate students, with more than 50 program opportunities spanning seven continents. Faculty-directed programs tend to be the best fit for graduate students; taking courses over the summer or during academic breaks with ASU professors offers close mentorship and professional network growth in many fields of study while earning ASU credit. Exchange program participation is also possible with careful planning. More information is available on the Global Education website at https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/graduate-students.

Career Opportunities
The Master of Business Administration program includes the essential academic preparation for students who are interested in pursuing professional careers leading within organizations in diverse functions, such as human resources, finance or marketing.

Career examples include:

- CEO
- finance manager
- marketing manager
- supply chain manager

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