

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: ACCELERATED TRACK

The Master of Business Administration: Accelerated Track at Sam Houston State University is designed to develop candidates for positions of leadership in modern organizations. Managerial procedures and practices are continually changing. Therefore, the program emphasizes the integration and synthesis of various disciplines to develop a student's ability to function in a dynamic environment and make sound administrative decisions that maximize the value and contributions of an organization. The MBA: Accelerated Track is suited for highly motivated and qualified students from any academic discipline. The program provides the candidate with a basic managerial background through the core requirements and additional courses.

The MBA: Accelerated Track requires 30 graduate hours including 18 hours of core courses and 12 hours of additional courses.

Please see the current schedule of classes (<http://www.shsu.edu/academics/current-schedule-of-classes.html>) for the course offerings.

The MBA: Accelerated Track may be completed in as few as three semesters.

Admission Process Requirements

Applicants seeking admission to the Master of Business Administration: Accelerated Track must:

1. Complete the online graduate application form (<http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>).
2. Pay the application fee (<http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>).

Additionally, applicants must submit the following material directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-admissions/prospective-students.html>):

1. Official transcript(s) from all previous college work (except SHSU graduates).
2. **Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher.**

International Students must submit all of the above information plus:

1. Official TOEFL score of at least 79, IELTS score of at least 6.5, or Duolingo EPT score of at least 105.
2. English translations and evaluation of official transcripts.

Graduate Application Deadlines

U.S. Citizens

- Fall - August 1
- Spring - December 1
- Summer - May 15

International Students

- Fall - June 25
- Spring - November 12
- Summer - April 9

Admission Criteria

Degree from a U.S. university

- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Degree from a non-U.S. university

- **Students who earned a baccalaureate degree from a university located outside of the United States must satisfy all of the following to be considered for admission into SHSU's MBA: Accelerated Track.**

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- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher as determined by independent evaluations of official transcripts.
- TOEFL score of at least 79, IELTS score of at least 6.5, or Duolingo EPT score of at least 105.
- English translations and evaluations of official transcripts.

Prerequisite Coursework Requirements for Non-Business Graduates

Prerequisite courses for graduate business courses are **required** for students who did not take the equivalent courses as part of their baccalaureate program or for students with a baccalaureate degree from a non-U.S. university. The graduate prerequisite courses (courses listed as 5300) **do not** apply to the 30-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA: Accelerated Track degree. (Prerequisite courses can be completed through Peregrine Global Services - Business Administration Assessment. Contact advisor for details.)

Code	Title	Hours
Prerequisite Course Requirements		
ACCT 5300	Analysis of Accounting Information	3
BANA 5300	Quantitative Tools For Business	3
ECON 5300	Economic Principles And Policy	3
FINC 5300	Business Finance Environment	3
MGMT 5300	Foundations Of Strategic Management	3
Total Hours		15

The MBA: Accelerated Track degree program requires a minimum of thirty hours of graduate credit.

Code	Title	Hours
Master of Business Administration: Accelerated Track		
Specified Courses		
ACCT 5304	Accounting For Management	3
BANA 5368	Techniques Of Statistical Analysis	3
ECON 5357	Seminar in Managerial Economics ¹	3
FINC 5310	Financial Management	3
MGMT 5390	Seminar in Strategic Management and Policy ²	3
MKTG 5330	Marketing Management	3
SCMG 5315	Seminar Operations Management	3
Additional Courses		
Electives or Concentration ^{3,4}		9
Total Hours		30

¹ Substitutions of other ECON courses may be allowed for students pursuing specific concentrations that require an ECON course other than ECON 5357.

² This is a capstone course that satisfies the comprehensive exam requirement. A grade of "B" or better is required for graduation.

³ Select any 3 COBA graduate level courses, excluding prefixes with the course number 5300 or ACCT 5302. Please, be mindful that all prerequisite requirements for the selected courses must be completed.

⁴ Select from Concentration options below.

Concentration Options

Economics

Code	Title	Hours
Economics Concentration		
Required Courses		
Select four of the following:		12
ECON 5301	Mathematical Methods for Applied Economics	
ECON 5305	Microeconomics	
ECON 5307	Macroeconomics	
ECON 5325	Econometrics	
ECON 5340	International Economics	

ECON 5348	Development Economics	
ECON 5350	Applied Topics in Health Economics	
ECON 5351	Seminar In Labor Economics	
ECON 5352	Energy Economics	
ECON 5357	Seminar in Managerial Economics	
ECON 5360	Economic Analysis Of Strategy	
ECON 5370	Economic Theory	
ECON 5373	Urban Economics	
Total Hours		12

Finance

Code	Title	Hours
Finance Concentration		
Required Course		
FINC 5310	Financial Management	3
Select three from the following:		9
FINC 5320	Seminar in Commercial Banking	
FINC 5333	Financial Statement Analysis	
FINC 5338	Selected Topics in Money, Capital, and Security Markets	
FINC 5340	International Finance	
FINC 5345	Seminar in Investments	
FINC 5370	Administrative Problems in Finance	
FINC 5395	Seminar in Commercial Lending	
Total Hours		12

Management

Code	Title	Hours
Management Concentration		
Required Courses		
MGMT 5390	Seminar in Strategic Management and Policy	3
SCMG 5315	Seminar Operations Management	3
Select two of the following:		6
MGMT 5320	Management of Innovation and Technology	
MGMT 5350	Leading Organizational Change and Development	
MGMT 5355	Seminar in Human Resource Management	
MGMT 5360	Staffing Organizations	
MGMT 5365	Seminar In Compensation Management	
SCMG 5316	Supply Chain Management	
SCMG 5318	Quality Management	
SCMG 5323	Tools of Project Management	
SCMG 5325	Project Management	
SCMG 5330	Operations Planning & Control	
Total Hours		12

Project Management

Code	Title	Hours
Project Management Concentration		
Required Courses		
SCMG 5315	Seminar Operations Management	3
SCMG 5325	Project Management	3
Select two of the following:		6
SCMG 5318	Quality Management	

SCMG 5323	Tools of Project Management	
SCMG 5327	Agile Project Management	
Total Hours		12

Real Estate

Code	Title	Hours
Real Estate Concentration		
Required Courses		
ECON 5373	Urban Economics	3
REAL 5350	Real Estate Debt	3
REAL 5351	Real Estate Equity	3
REAL 5352	Real Estate Market and Development Feasibility Analysis	3
Total Hours		12

Supply Chain

Code	Title	Hours
Supply Chain Management Concentration		
Required Courses		
SCMG 5315	Seminar Operations Management	3
SCMG 5316	Supply Chain Management	3
Select two of the following:		6
MGIS 5360	Project Management for Business Systems Development	
SCMG 5318	Quality Management	
SCMG 5330	Operations Planning & Control	
SCMG 5375	Enterprise Resource Planning Business Process Integration	
Total Hours		12

Note: Pending approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The MBA: Accelerated Track is designed to prepare business professionals for leadership roles within the business, governmental, or non-profit sectors. Specific marketable skills include:

- **Effective communication:** Graduates will be able to demonstrate language and content that suits the intended audience and organize content in a logical sequence.
- **Effective critical thinking:** Graduates will be able to distinguish relevant and non-relevant information regarding a business problem and develop a valid argument in support of a conclusion.
- **Effective strategic decision making:** Graduates will be able to consider different strategic options using available evidence through the lens of organizational goals and generate applicable solutions for business problems.