



Duluth Campus

Business Administration M.B.A.

Labovitz School of Business & Economics - Adm

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- Program Type: Master's
- Requirements for this program are current for Spring 2021
- Length of program in credits: 32
- This program requires summer semesters for timely completion.
- Degree: Master of Business Administration

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

The Labovitz Master of Business Administration (MBA) program in Duluth is designed to meet the needs of those who would like to pursue a graduate management education either full-time or part-time. Part-time students can complete all program requirements in two to three years by taking evening courses (6:00 - 8:40 p.m.). Full-time students can finish the program in 12 months by taking a mix of day and evening courses.

The MBA program in Rochester is designed primarily to meet the needs of those who are currently employed full-time in professional managerial careers and who would like to pursue a graduate management education while continuing to work. Most courses offered in Rochester meet from 3:00-9:00 p.m. on Fridays, and 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Saturdays every other week over a period of 7 weeks. It is possible to enroll in the program on a full-time basis by registering for 6 or more credits per semester.

The Labovitz MBA is one of six in the entire state and the only program in Northern Minnesota accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB). This accreditation means a rigorous review process and ongoing evaluations of faculty qualifications, curriculum, continuous improvement processes, assessment practices, and student and faculty resources. Only five percent of business schools worldwide are able to achieve this accreditation, which guarantees the MBA meets the highest criteria established by the management education community.

Accreditation

This program is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB).

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Prerequisites for Admission

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 3.00.

All applicants must have an earned bachelor's degree from a regionally or nationally accredited college or university. Waivers of this requirement will only be permitted under special circumstances.

Other requirements to be completed before admission:

Test date must be within 2 years of program start.

Special Application Requirements:

The earned bachelors degree requirement may be waived only for students who are currently undergraduates in the Labovitz School and applying through the Integrated Undergraduate/Graduate (IUG) Option.

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 3.0 (on a 4-point scale). Students who are currently undergraduates in the Labovitz School must have a minimum 3.3 GPA in order to be accepted into the IUG Option.

A GRE or GMAT score is required for all applicants except:

*Applicants who have successfully passed the CPA exam;

*Applicants to the PharmD/MBA Dual Career Program who have completed the PCAT with percentile scores at or above the 50th percentile in the three sections of PCAT related to quantitative ability, verbal ability, and reading comprehension;

*Applicants with an earned undergraduate degree from the Labovitz School with a minimum GPA of 3.3

*Applicants who have been accepted into the program through the IUG Option;

*Applicants with a prior graduate degree from an accredited institution (see college for specific details).

A holistic review of GPA, GRE/GMAT score, prior work experience and other relevant factors is undertaken to determine admission eligibility. Other requirements to be completed before admission:

Students need to demonstrate competency in mathematics as well as the business foundation areas of Accounting, Economics, Financial Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing, Operations Management, Organizational Management, and Statistics through BUS or PMBA courses, other undergraduate business coursework, or competency tests. Students must consult with the MBA Director to determine competency fulfillment.

International applicants must submit score(s) from one of the following tests:

- TOEFL
 - Internet Based - Total Score: 79
 - Internet Based - Listening Score: 19
 - Internet Based - Writing Score: 21
 - Internet Based - Reading Score: 19
 - Internet Based - Speaking Score: 20
- IELTS
 - Total Score: 6.5
 - Reading Score: 6.5
 - Writing Score: 6.5
- MELAB
 - Final score: 80

Key to [test abbreviations](#) (TOEFL, IELTS, MELAB).

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website.

Program Requirements

Plan C: Plan C requires 32 major credits and up to null credits outside the major. There is no final exam.

This program may not be completed with a minor.

Use of 4xxx courses toward program requirements is permitted under certain conditions with adviser approval.

A minimum GPA of 2.80 is required for students to remain in good standing.

The MBA program requires completion of 32 MBA credits. The graduate-level coursework consists of 20 semester credits in the functional areas of business and its supporting areas, plus a 3-credit capstone strategic management course. In addition, all students must complete 9 credits of electives. IUG students may complete some or all of these electives during their senior year by taking 5xxx level courses. The MBA program expects students to maintain a 2.8 GPA through completion of the program. A cumulative GPA of 2.8 is required for graduation. Acceptance of 4xxx level courses as electives is permitted only via petition and requires prior written approval from the Director of Graduate Studies.

Core Coursework (20 cr)

- [MBA 8111](#) - Business Ethics (2.0 cr)
- [MBA 8211](#) - Data Analysis and Statistics for Managers (2.0 cr)
- [MBA 8311](#) - Decision Making in Operations (3.0 cr)
- [MBA 8412](#) - Accounting for Decision Making and Control (3.0 cr)
- [MBA 8511](#) - Managerial Economics (2.0 cr)
- [MBA 8611](#) - Financial Management and Decision Making (3.0 cr)
- [MBA 8711](#) - Strategic Marketing Management (3.0 cr)
- [MBA 8811](#) - Human Resource Challenges (2.0 cr)



Capstone Requirement (3 cr)

Can only be taken after MBA 8311, 8501, 8611, 8711 and 8811 are taken.

[MBA 8911](#) - Strategic Management (3.0 cr)

Electives (9 cr)

These are normally fulfilled by taking designated 1 - 3 credit electives at the 5xxx, or 8xxx level. Students can also choose from the following:

Take 9 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [MBA 8991](#) - Independent Study (1.0 - 3.0 cr)
- MBA 8994 *{Inactive}* (1.0 - 6.0 cr)
- [MBA 8995](#) - Special Topics: (Various Titles to be Assigned) (1.0 - 3.0 cr)
- MBA 5xxx
- MBA 8xxx

Program Sub-plans

A sub-plan is not required for this program.

Students may not complete the program with more than one sub-plan.

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