Business Administration

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Mission

The UAH College of Business Administration serves business and society through the expertise of our alumni, students, and faculty. We provide academically rigorous programs emphasizing the application of theory and skills in scientific, technological, and traditional business environments. We are committed to offering degree programs that build analytical skills, develop an entrepreneurial mindset, and provide opportunities to engage with practice through projects, practica, and internships.

Accreditation

The College of Business Administration is accredited by AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.* AACSB provides the highest standard of accreditation offered to business schools worldwide, with fewer than 25% of U.S. business schools and fewer than 5% of worldwide business schools achieving the distinction. To maintain AACSB accreditation, we must have a specific plan and sufficient resources to support high quality undergraduate and graduate programs, a highly qualified faculty who maintain credentials through continuous research or engagement with practice, and a process for assessing that our students are learning what we teach. We report to AACSB annually and undergo a comprehensive site visit every five years.

UAH is designated by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education (CAE/IAE) and Cyber Defense (CAE/CD).

*AACSB International is a not-for-profit corporation comprised of member organizations and institutions devoted to the promotion and continuous improvement of higher education for business administration and management. Organized in 1916, AACSB International is the premier accrediting agency for bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in business administration and accounting.

Graduate Degrees and Certificates

The College of Business Administration offers seven graduate degrees and five graduate certificates.

- Master of Accountancy (MAcc)
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- M.S. in Cybersecurity (Management Track)
- M.S. in Information Systems
- M.S. in Management, major in Human Resource Management
- M.S. in Management Science, major in Business Analytics
- M.S. in Supply Chain & Logistics Management
- Graduate Certificate in Cybersecurity Studies
- Graduate Certificate in Enterprise Resource Planning
- Graduate Certificate in Federal Contracting & Procurement Management
- Graduate Certificate in Supply Chain Management
- Graduate Certificate in Technology & Innovation Management

Expectations about Degree Progress

Course Load: The usual semester course load for a full-time graduate student is 9 to 12 semester hours. Students who are employed full time should seek counsel from the Graduate Program Director before enrolling in more than 6 semester hours per semester. Once admitted, students are expected to make satisfactory progress toward the degree, with such progress defined as the satisfactory completion of at least 3 courses during each 12-month period following admission.

Time limit: All requirements for graduate degrees in the College of Business Administration must be completed in six or fewer years. In the event a student does not complete the degree requirements in six years, the student may petition for an extension of the timeline to 10 years. The petition must
be approved by the College’s Assessment & Curriculum Committee (ACC) and by the Dean of the Graduate School, following the specific guidelines and policies of the Graduate School. See the Graduate School for additional information.

Graduate Assistantships

A limited number of graduate assistantships are available to select full-time students on a competitive basis. Graduate assistantships may require up to half-time (20 hours per week) service to the College, carry a stipend, and have up to 9 semester hours of tuition paid. Assistantship applications are available from the Associate Dean for Graduate Programs within the College as well as the Graduate Program Director.

Graduate Teaching Assistantships (GTA) are awarded to a few students who assist with the College’s undergraduate teaching mission as tutors, graders, and coordinators of program activities. Graduate Research Assistantships (GRA) are made available through externally funded grants or contracts. GRAs do research under the supervision of a faculty member or center director. Because GRAs assist with specific research activities, the ability of applicants to assist with these specific activities is considered when awarding assistantships.

Master's Programs in Business Administration

- Accountancy, MAcc (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/accountancy-macc)
- Master of Business Administration, MBA (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/master-of-business-administration-mba)
- Information Systems, MS-IS (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/information-systems-ms-is)
- Cybersecurity, MS Interdisciplinary - Management Track (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/cybersecurity-ms-interdisciplinary-management-track)
- Supply Chain and Logistics Management, MS (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/supply-chain)

Certificates in Business Administration

- Cybersecurity Studies (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/graduate-certificate-information-assurance)
- Supply Chain Management (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/graduate-certificate-supply-chain-management)
- Technology and Innovation Management (http://catalog.uah.edu/archive/2015-2016/grad/colleges-departments/business-administration/graduate-certificate-technology-innovation-management)