BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, M.B.A. AND EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP, M.A., DUAL DEGREE

Graduates of this dual-degree program at Saint Louis University earn a Master of Arts in Educational Leadership and a Master of Business Administration (M.A./MBA). The SLU program provides an awareness of the functional relationships between the educational system, business, and administrative organizations. The increasing complexity of educational organizations and nonprofit institutions makes understanding business concepts important for students considering careers as administrators in educational institutions.

The M.A. in Educational Leadership (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-ma/) can be combined with either the Professional MBA (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/business-administration/business-administration-professional/) or the One-Year MBA (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/business-administration/business-administration-one-year-mba/) to complete the dual degree. The full-time, One-Year MBA program includes a study abroad component in which students study foreign-based business cases, visit local businesses and attend guest lectures. The Professional MBA is designed for working professionals and can be completed in 2-2.5 years on average while attending part time. Additionally, the class schedules for the educational leadership program accommodate busy working professionals.

The Master of Arts in Educational Leadership is provided through an online delivery design. Students attend synchronous online course sessions through Zoom, and complete coursework asynchronously through the Canvas learning management system.

Both programs benefit from a large alumni network in the St. Louis area and beyond. Graduates of these programs have successfully pursued leadership opportunities in schools and school systems, corporations, the nonprofit and social service sector, government and the entrepreneurial space.

Significant scholarship support for this dual-degree program is available thanks to the generosity of donors. Please contact gradbiz@slu.edu for more information.

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following SLU programs:

Business Administration, MBA (One-Year) (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/business-administration/business-administration-one-year-mba/)

Business Administration, MBA (Professional) (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/business-administration/business-administration-professional/)

Educational Leadership, M.A. (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-ma/)

Accreditation

The Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the world’s largest business education alliance and accrediting body of business schools, ensuring continuous quality improvement in terms of curriculum, instructional resources, student selection, career placement and intellectual contributions and qualifications of the faculty. Approximately 5% of business schools worldwide have achieved AACSB accreditation.

Admission

Students wishing to enter the MBA/M.A. program must fulfill all admission requirements for the School of Education (https://www.slu.edu/education/) and the Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business (https://www.slu.edu/business/). Students must apply to each separately but application materials can be shared between schools.

Requirements

The Professional MBA (https://www.slu.edu/business/graduate/professional-mba/) program requirements range from 36-48 credits, depending on prior academic background. Students may use up to six hours of the M.A. in Educational Leadership coursework as electives in their PMBA program.

Saint Louis University’s One-Year MBA (https://www.slu.edu/business/graduate/one-year-mba/) is a 48 credit hour analytics-driven curriculum. Each cohort starts in June, taking 18.5 credits of integrated MBA courses Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. All classes are held between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. in the fall and spring, meeting three days a week. Students enrolled in the dual One-Year MBA/MA complete the 48 business hour curriculum in conjunction with 30 hours of educational leadership credits.

The M.A. in Educational Leadership (https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-ma/) requires a completion of 32 credits of coursework and culmination examinations. Two credits of One-Year MBA coursework are accepted for the M.A. in Educational Leadership. Usually, EDL 6390 Gateway Leadership Institute (2 cr) is not required for dual-degree students. Schedules vary and are arranged with advisors and the program director.

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