

**University of Missouri-St Louis**  
**Graduate Program Profile**  
**Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Business Administration**  
**Emphasis in Logistics & Supply Chain Management (LSCM)**

**Degree Program**

*Coursework:* 27 credit hours of Business & Research Foundation courses, nine hours in a Support Field in business administration, 24 hours of required courses in Logistics & Supply Chain Management (LSCM). and nine hours of approved LSCM electives.

*Comprehensive Examination:* Taken in LSCM and in a supporting field of the student's choice upon completion of coursework. Upon successful completion, student is advanced to candidacy.

*Dissertation:* Minimum of six credit hours; requires a proposal and an oral defense. Proposal must be defended within one year of advancement to candidacy, and the dissertation defended within three years of approval of the proposal.

*Other Requirements:* Teaching at least two courses, presenting a scholarly paper, and submitting a paper for publishing are required of all students. Please see the program website for all requirements.

**Program website:**

<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/business/PhD/index.htm>

**Application Requirements**

**1. Application**

<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/prospective/applying.html>

**2. Three letters of recommendation**

Letters that address academic potential must be provided by individuals who can accurately assess it such as previous instructors, professors, etc. At least two letters should be from individuals with earned doctorates

**3. Official transcripts from all universities attended**

Successful applicants must have completed at least a baccalaureate degree before beginning the program.

**4. Entrance examinations**

a. Acceptable official scores on Graduate Management Admission Test (<http://www.mba.com/mba/TaketheGMAT>) or Graduate Record Examination (<http://www.gre.org/ttindex.html>).

b. International students are required to document English proficiency (<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/prospective/international.html>).

**5. Grade Point Average**

Minimum of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.

**6. Statement of purpose**

One or two page rationale for pursuing the Ph.D. in Business/LSCM.

**Application Deadline**

Program starts only in the Fall Semester. Few positions are open each year so applicants are urged to apply before February 1, when review of applications begins.

**Application Fee**

\$35 (\$40 for international students)

**Assistantships**

Assistantships are currently funded at 18,000 annually (with a potential \$2000 performance-based award) and a tuition scholarship covering educational fees. Applications for assistantships are sent to the Director of Graduate Studies.

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