

New Program Proposal

Supply Chain Analytics, Accelerated Master's

The Department of Supply Chain and Analytics offers an Accelerated MS degree program that allows students to earn their BSBA with an emphasis in Supply Chain Management and their MS in Supply Chain Analytics in as few as 10 semesters. Students in the Accelerated MS program will complete the MS through the required coursework.

A total of 138 credits is required to earn both BSBA/MSSCA, allowing 12 credits to count for both the BSBA and MS degrees.

Students are encouraged to work closely with the Undergraduate and MS Program Directors to ensure that required courses are timed appropriately. They are also encouraged to begin working with the appropriate directors early in their undergraduate studies.

Eligibility

Students will need to have fulfilled the core curriculum requirements prior to applying for the Accelerated MS program.

Admission Requirements

Provisional Admission

Applicants are considered for provisional admission if they meet the following criteria.

- Earned 60 hours as an undergraduate
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0
- Have met with both the BS and MS academic advisors

Graduate courses completed by undergraduate students who have been provisionally admitted to Accelerated Master's program will be charged at the undergraduate tuition rate; however, these courses will count toward the master's degree. These courses must be approved in advance to count toward both degrees. Therefore, it is recommended to apply for provisional status as a junior, preferably in the first semester of the junior year.

Graduate Admission

Students are considered for graduate admission if they meet the following criteria.

- Are in their final semester in undergraduate status
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 since being granted provisional status
- Have met with the Graduate Academic Advisor

The MS Academic Advisor, in consultation with the BS Academic Advisor, will determine whether the student can apply for formal admission. Final decisions concerning formal admission are made by the Graduate School in consultation with the SCA Department Chair and/or the Graduate Program Director. Students admitted to the graduate program must take courses with graduate status until the completion of the MS degree.

Program Requirements

Junior/Senior Year Courses (Complete 4 courses, 12 hours, from below)

SCMA 5320	Supply Chain and Operations Management	3
SCMA 5381	Global Supply Chain Management	3
SCMA 6330	Business Logistics Systems	3
SCMA 6350	Management Science Methods	3

Final Year Courses (Complete 6 courses, 18 hours, from below)

SCMA 5310	Supply Chain Strategies	3
SCMA 6321	Strategic Sourcing	3
SCMA 6345	Business Analytics and Data Mining	3
SCMA 6331	Supply Chain Modeling	3
SCMA 5389	Supply Chain Management Practicum	3
SCMA Elective ¹		3

¹ Courses that are not in the list of MS in Supply Chain Analytics electives must be approved by the Supply Chain and Analytics Department Chair. SCMA 5399 Independent Study or SCMA 5334 Internship can each be counted no more than once toward the degree requirement.

Awarding of Degrees

The student may apply for and receive the bachelor's degree in the semester when all the undergraduate requirements are completed. In their final semester in undergraduate status, the student must apply and be admitted to the graduate program, to begin the following semester. The student will apply to receive the

master's degree in the semester that the requirements for the graduate degree will be completed.

If the student fails to enroll for more than one year after receiving the bachelor's degree, the student can still earn the master's degree, but the graduate-level credits earned as an undergraduate cannot be used for the graduate degree.

Justification for request:

The purpose of this accelerated program is to leverage our BSBA Supply Chain Management Emphasis and the newly launched MS in Supply Chain Analytics, which is expected to generate more enrollment of supply chain majors.