Accelerated BA/MBA Program Requirements

The MBA program is open to students from any undergraduate major.

**Prerequisite courses are required.** Prospective MBA students **must complete** ECON 010 and either MGMT110, MATH 113, 119 or 120 with a grade of B- or higher **prior to the start of their senior year** (students can be enrolled in these courses in the semester that they are applying or can take them in the summer before their senior year). If a student places higher than MATH120 on the math placement exam, he/she should take a higher level math course to satisfy the math prerequisite. AP credit may count towards the Math prerequisite requirement. However, Clark’s MBA program has many quantitative course requirements, and students are encouraged to take at least one quantitative course during their undergraduate years to help them prepare if they have AP credit for the math prerequisite.

For Accelerated degree general academic requirements, please visit the Accelerated degree website: [http://www.clarku.edu/graduate/prospective/fifthyear/](http://www.clarku.edu/graduate/prospective/fifthyear/).

Because the MBA program is highly structured, students must consider the BA/MBA option as early in their undergraduate careers as possible. Since there are 17 units required for the MBA, students **must** take MBA courses during their senior year. Students are also encouraged to take specific undergraduate courses in their first three years at Clark since they will waive MBA required courses.

The following undergraduate courses (with a grade of B- or higher) will waive MBA foundation courses:
- MGMT 101 AND MGMT 203 waive MBA Foundations of Accounting (1 unit)
- MGMT 104 waives MBA Management Information Systems (½ unit)
- MGMT 230 waives MBA Marketing Management (½ unit)
- MGMT 240 waives MBA Financial Management (½ unit)
- MGMT 250 waives MBA Operations Management (1 unit)
- MGMT262 waives MBA Business Law (½ unit)
- ECON010 & 011 OR ECON 205 & 206 waive MBA Management Economics (½ unit)
- ECON 160 or PSYC105 waives MBA Statistical Methods (½ unit)*
*other undergraduate statistics courses may also provide a waiver

Depending on possible course waivers that a student can receive, students can and should plan on taking 3 – 7 units of graduate course work during their senior year. Students should ideally plan their course work so that they have 10 units remaining for the MBA following the completion of their senior year.

The following MBA courses are recommended for students to take during their senior year, although individual programs of study may vary depending on course waivers students received and a student’s MBA concentration plans.

ACCT4100 – Foundations of Accounting (1 unit)
ECON4004 – Management Economics (½ unit)
MGMT4302 – Creating Effective Organizations: Leadership (1 unit)
MGMT 4708 – Contemporary Business Law (½ unit)
MGMT4709 – Business in Society (½ unit)
MKT4400 – Marketing Management (1 unit) OR MKT4402 (1/2 unit)
MIS4500 – Management Information Systems (1 unit) OR MIS Elective (1/2 unit)
STAT4005 – Statistical Methods (½ unit)
STAT4006 – Management Decision Models (½ unit)
Students take the remaining units in their 5th/graduate year. If a student has more than 10 units remaining, he/she may need to remain at Clark an additional semester to complete program requirements. Students in that situation will need to discuss enrollment and payment issues with the Dean of Graduate Studies and GSOM.

MBA students choose a concentration, which is comprised of three to four units of upper-level electives. In addition, free choice electives outside the concentration are required to complete a total of 5½ elective units. Concentration options include Accounting, Expanded Accounting, Finance, Global Business, General Management, Marketing, Management Information Systems and Social Change. Students may also choose to do a dual concentration.

**MBA in Social Change**

Clark MBA students now have the unique opportunity to earn a concentration in Social Change by taking advanced graduate electives in this subject area through GSOM or through Clark's International Development, Community and Environment (IDCE) department. Through the Clark MBA and IDCE collaboration, students use the unique business acumen they develop to promote positive environmental, social, and economic change throughout the world.

Learn to use modern technology and advanced analysis to creatively address environmental and development problems and promote social justice. Whether ultimately working in a corporation, government agency, or nongovernmental organization in the U.S. or abroad, you will have the skills, tools, knowledge, understanding and confidence necessary to be a successful agent of global change, and to function effectively in the context of formal institutions, civil society, markets and technology.

**Internship Requirement**

Every MBA student who does not have 3 or more years of full-time work experience is required to complete an internship prior to the completion of the graduate degree. GSOM has its own Career Services office, located in Carlson Hall, which assists with internship and job placement. Internships completed as an undergraduate cannot fulfill the MBA internship requirement.