

Degree Requirements for Master of Business Administration – WG27

Students matriculating into the Master of Business Administration program at The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania during the 2025-2026 academic year must satisfy the following degree requirements:

19.0 Total Course Units (CU) Required¹

15.0 CU must be Wharton MBA coursework²

Core Curriculum Requirements³

Degree candidates must satisfy the following core curriculum requirements:

| Requirement Area | Courses | CU |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------|
| Accounting | ACCT 6110 or ACCT 6130 | 1.0 |
| Finance ⁴ | FNCE 6110 or FNCE 6210 | 1.5-2.0 |
| | FNCE 6130 or FNCE 6230 | |
| Legal Studies | LGST 6110, LGST 6120, or LGST 6130 | 0.5 |
| Microeconomics | BEPP 6110 | 0.5 |
| | BEPP 6120 | 0.5 |
| Management | MGMT 6100 | 0.5 |
| | MGMT 6110 or MGMT 6120 | 1.0 |
| Marketing | MKTG 6110 | 0.5 |
| | MKTG 6120 or MKTG 6130 | 0.5 |
| Operations, Information & Decisions | OIDD 6110, OIDD 6120, OIDD 6130, OIDD 6140, OIDD 6150, OIDD 6620, or OIDD 6900 | 1.0 |
| Statistics | STAT 6130 or STAT 6210 | 0.5-1.0 |
| Communication | WHCP 6160 or WHCP 6180 | 0.5 |

Major Requirement

Degree candidates must satisfy the requirements of a major.

Major requirements can be found in the [University Catalog](#).

- A major typically requires 4.0-5.0 CU beyond core curriculum requirements.
- Coursework counting towards majors must be taken for a letter grade.
- Degree candidates may declare multiple majors, understanding that a maximum of 2.0 CU may cross-count across all declared majors.
- Review the University Catalog for additional stipulations regarding your major.

Elective Requirement

To meet the minimum 19.0 CU to earn the degree, students may choose additional graduate-level⁵ elective coursework outside of the core curriculum and major requirements.

Second-Year Graduation Requirement

- Semester GPA > 2.33 in both second-year semesters
- No more than 4.0 CU with grade ≤ 2.33 in year 2.

1 – A student's four-semester tuition includes the cost of 21.0 CU. Please note that dual degree students, depending on their program, may have a different maximum credit allowance. Please consult [MBA Inside](#) for more information on dual degrees by program.

2 – Wharton PhD coursework may count towards the minimum 15.0 CU requirement, but grades earned in Wharton PhD and other non-Wharton coursework will not be factored into Wharton MBA GPA.

3 – Core requirements may be waived or substituted based upon decisions rendered in the Core Requirement Evaluation Process (CREP) at admission.

4 – Students who intend to pursue a major in Finance or Quantitative Finance must complete a combined 2.0 CU from the Finance flexible core requirement. Students pursuing a major other than Finance or Quantitative Finance must complete a minimum combined 1.5 CU from the Finance flexible core requirement. Enrolling in both FNCE 6210 (0.5 CU) and FNCE 6230 (0.5 CU) is prohibited.

5 – Graduate-level electives outside of Wharton typically have a course number ranging from 5000-9999.

WHARTON MBA FIXED CORE REQUIREMENTS

| | SUMMER | FALL SEMESTER | | SPRING SEMESTER | |
|----------------|--|---|--|---|-----------|
| | AUGUST | QUARTER 1 | QUARTER 2 | QUARTER 3 | QUARTER 4 |
| MANAGEMENT | MGMT 6100: Foundations of Teamwork and Leadership (0.5 CU) | | | | |
| MARKETING | | MKTG 6110: Marketing Management (0.5 CU) Take Waive Substitute | | | |
| MICROECONOMICS | | BEPP 6110: Microeconomics for Managers (0.5 CU) Take Waive | BEPP 6120: Adv. Microeconomics for Managers (0.5 CU) Take | | |
| STATISTICS | | STAT 6130: Regression Analysis for Business (1.0 CU) Take Waive | | | |
| | | OR STAT 6210: Accelerated Regression (0.5 CU) Take by Placement | | | |
| COMMUNICATIONS | | WHCP 6160: Management Communication (0.5 CU) (Cohorts A, C, E, G, I, K) Take | OR | WHCP 6160: Management Communication (0.5 CU) (Cohorts B, D, F, H, J, L) Take | |
| | | OR WHCP 6180: Entrepreneurial Communication (0.5 CU) (Cohorts A, C, E, G, I, K) Take | OR | OR WHCP 6180: Entrepreneurial Communication (0.5 CU) (Cohorts B, D, F, H, J, L) Take | |

WHARTON MBA FLEXIBLE CORE REQUIREMENTS

| | FALL SEMESTER | | SPRING SEMESTER | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| | QUARTER 1 | QUARTER 2 | QUARTER 3 | QUARTER 4 |
| ACCOUNTING | ACCT 6110: Financial Accounting (1.0 CU) | | ACCT 6130: Financial and Managerial Accounting (1.0 CU) | |
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| FINANCE | FNCE 6110: Corporate Finance (1.0 CU) | | FNCE 6110: Corporate Finance (1.0 CU) | |
| | | | FNCE 6210: Intro to Corp Finance* (0.5 CU) | |
| | FNCE 6130: Macroeconomics & the Global Economic Environment (1.0 CU) | | FNCE 6130: Macroeconomics & the Global Economic Environment (1.0 CU) | |
| | FNCE 6230: Introduction to Macroeconomics* (0.5 CU) | | FNCE 6230: Introduction to Macroeconomics* (0.5 CU) | |
| LEGAL STUDIES & BUSINESS ETHICS | LGST 6110: Responsibility in Global Management (0.5 CU) | LGST 6110: Responsibility in Global Management (0.5 CU) | LGST 6110: Responsibility in Global Management (0.5 CU) | LGST 6110: Responsibility in Global Management (0.5 CU) |
| | LGST 6120: Responsibility in Business (0.5 CU) | LGST 6120: Responsibility in Business (0.5 CU) | LGST 6120: Responsibility in Business (0.5 CU) | LGST 6120: Responsibility in Business (0.5 CU) |
| | LGST 6130: Business, Social Responsibility & Environment (0.5 CU) | LGST 6130: Business, Social Responsibility & Environment (0.5 CU) | LGST 6130: Business, Social Responsibility & Environment (0.5 CU) | LGST 6130: Business, Social Responsibility & Environment (0.5 CU) |
| MANAGEMENT | MGMT 6110: Managing the Established Enterprise (1 CU) | | MGMT 6110: Managing the Established Enterprise (1 CU) | |
| | MGMT 6120: Managing the Emerging Enterprise (1 CU) | | MGMT 6120: Managing the Emerging Enterprise (1 CU) | |
| MARKETING | | MKTG 6120: Dynamic Marketing Strategy (0.5 CU) | MKTG 6120: Dynamic Marketing Strategy (0.5 CU) | MKTG 6130: Strategic Marketing Simulation** (0.5 CU) |
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| OPERATIONS, INFORMATION & DECISIONS | OIDD 6110: Quality and Productivity (0.5 CU) | OIDD 6110: Quality and Productivity (0.5 CU) | | OIDD 6120: Business Analytics (0.5 CU) |
| | OIDD 6140: Innovation (0.5 CU) | | | OIDD 6130: Online Business Models (0.5 CU) |
| | OIDD 6150: Operations Strategy (0.5 CU) | | OIDD 6150: Operations Strategy (0.5 CU) | OIDD 6150: Operations Strategy (0.5 CU) |
| | OIDD 6620: Enabling Technologies (0.5 CU) | OIDD 6620: Enabling Technologies (0.5 CU) | OIDD 6900: Managerial Decision Making (1 CU) | |
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