

Messiah University 4+1 MBA program

Department of Business Majors: For students with majors in the Department of Business, two courses (BUSA 505 Business Analytics and BUSA 501 Business Strategy and Execution) count toward both the undergraduate degree and the MBA. Students in the 4+1 program are able to take two MBA courses in addition to BUSA 501/505 during their senior year that will count only toward the MBA. These four courses (12 MBA credits) will allow students to complete 1/3 of the requirements for the MBA while an undergraduate student. The remaining 24 MBA credits are billed at the MBA program rate.

* Students in this program must be registered for between 15-2 credits of UG degree requirements per semester during their senior year in order to take 1-2 MBA courses without impacting UG financial aid.

** Before dropping credits in either semester of your senior year, please contact the Financial Aid Office to discuss your situation. Financial aid can only be used for undergraduate courses.

*** The fifth year does not have a residential option. It is fully online and you are considered a GRAD student.

**** Even though you are accepted into the 4+1 program with the completion of this form, you will need to complete a GRAD application during your senior year of UG so that you will make the transition to GRAD status after UG graduation.

***** Caution: If you are International student here on an F1 Visa, please contact Amy Nicols, Director of International Student Programs, to review your registration plans.

Sample plan for business majors:

- ‡ Fall 4th year: BUSA 505, online MBA course and at least 9 credits of UG degree requirements
- ‡ Spring 4th year: BUSA 501, online MBA course and at least 9 credits of UG degree requirements

Majors Outside the Department of Business: Students with majors outside of the Department of Business can also take advantage of the 4+1 MBA, completing 1/3 of the MBA requirements as an undergraduate student. For students with majors outside of the Department of Business, there is a minor (Business Foundations) that provides students with an overlay to ensure that they are meeting the 4+1 MBA requirements. These students will be able to take an additional two MBA courses during their senior year that will count only toward the MBA. This will allow students to complete 1/3 of the requirements for the MBA while an undergraduate student. Students can also take some GRAD courses that count toward the MBA over the summer once they have achieved senior UG status.

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Sample plan for non-business majors:

- ‡ Fall 2nd year: ECON 120
- ‡ Spring 2nd year: ACCT 131
- ‡ Fall 3rd year: STAT 269
- ‡ Spring 3rd year: FINA 305
- ‡ Fall 4th year: BUSA 505, MRKT 515
- ‡ Spring 4th year: BUSA 501, online MBA course

Business Foundations Minor

