

# MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

## HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION SPECIALIZATION -ONLINE

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"The Online MBA from USD has been an enjoyable and rewarding experience! I've always wanted to get my MBA, but my work schedule has not allowed me to commit to being in one place every week, even for just one night, so an online program was the only way I could obtain my MBA goal. Most online schools appeared out of reach price-wise, but USD has proven to be very affordable, while offering quality online education."

Brian Webb  
Online MBA Student

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### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the MBA program is to develop current and future executive leadership for business, industry and government, and to encourage those students who have an interest in teaching at the college level and an aptitude for an academic career to continue their work at the doctoral level.

The Health Services Administration program prepares students for health administration careers. The mission is to improve the delivery of health services and the health of the populations served through the education of professional managers. The educational philosophy is to provide a balance among general, management, and health services education. The minimum amount of credit hours required for the Online MBA program is 33 credit hours, 80 percent of which must be at the 700 level or above.

### ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

The University of South Dakota's Beacom School of Business, established in 1927, offers the only accredited program of business in South Dakota. USD's Beacom School of Business has been continuously accredited by AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) since 1949.

Less than 10 percent of the nation's top business schools have earned this prestigious designation. Therefore, you can be confident that an Online MBA from the University of South Dakota is of high quality and is well regarded by the business community. For more information about this prestigious designation, visit [www.aacsb.edu](http://www.aacsb.edu).

### APPLICATION DEADLINES

The priority application review dates for the MBA program are as follows:

Fall Semester ..... apply by June 1  
Spring Semester ..... apply by October 1  
Summer Semester ..... apply by March 1

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the Online MBA program, contact a higher education service site that is appropriate for you:

**Sioux Falls, Sioux City,  
Vermillion area & Worldwide**  
Division of Continuing Education  
1-800-233-7937  
605-6776240  
cde@usd.edu

**Rapid City & Pierre area**  
University Center - Rapid City  
Contact: Kris-Tina Pieper  
605-718-4160  
UC-RC@usd.edu

### GETTING STARTED

Prospective students may apply through the Graduate School at [www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm](http://www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm).

The Graduate School forwards completed applications to the appropriate academic department for review. The department will then recommend the admission status of the applicant to the Dean of the Graduate School, who make the final decision on admission.

Once accepted, students can register online through WebAdvisor at [www.usd.edu/webadvisor](http://www.usd.edu/webadvisor) or through the online form located at <https://www.usd.edu/cde/registration>.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed graduate application form
  - 1 official transcript of all prior academic work showing undergraduate degree earned
  - 2 letters of recommendation - placed in separate, sealed envelopes and signed. Please use the required form available at [www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm](http://www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm)
  - Non-refundable application fee of \$35 made payable to USD
  - Resume
  - Statement of Purpose
  - Official copy of GMAT scores
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- International students must submit a financial statement and the TOEFL or IELTS.

### NON-DEGREE PURSUANT STATUS

To experience the University of South Dakota as a non-degree pursuant student, the University offers graduate students the option of learning under a non-degree pursuant classification. Up to nine credit hours earned as a non-degree pursuant student may be applied to a graduate degree from USD at the discretion of the academic department.

Enrolling as a non-degree pursuant student is easy. Simply complete the online registration form at <https://www.usd.edu/cde/registration> during the registration session open to the public.

**Please note:** Enrollment in a course does not guarantee acceptance into the program. Priority registration for MBA courses is given to students accepted into the MBA program.

### TUITION RATES

For the most up-to-date online course tuition information, please visit: [www.usd.edu/cde/tuition-rates.cfm](http://www.usd.edu/cde/tuition-rates.cfm)

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## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Online MBA curriculum is comprised of 18 hours of foundations courses and 33 hours of advanced business coursework, as indicated below. All foundations and advanced courses are offered online. Students possessing an undergraduate degree in business may have fulfilled some or all of the foundations coursework requirements already. Applicants who enter the program with the foundations courses (or their baccalaureate-level equivalents) completed will be given “advanced standing” and will only need to complete the 33 hours of advanced courses.

### FOUNDATION COURSEWORK - dependent upon undergraduate coursework (All courses are offered online).

Course/No.	Course Title	Rotation	Required Prerequisite for the Foundation Courses
ACCT 520	Foundations of Accounting (Equivalent to Principles of ACCT I and II)	Every Fall	
BADM 505	Foundations of Finance (Equivalent to Principles of Finance)	Every Summer	ACCT 520: Foundations of Accounting
BADM 520	Foundations of Calculus & Statistics for Business (Equivalent to Business Calculus and Statistics)	Every Spring	
BADM 525	Foundations of Operations Management (Equivalent to Production)	Every Spring	BADM 520: Foundations of Calculus and Statistics for Business
BADM 580	Foundations of Marketing & Organizational Behavior (Equivalent to Principles of Marketing and Organizational Behavior)	Every Summer	
ECON 580	Foundations of Economics (Equivalent to Principles of Micro and Macro Economics)	Every Fall	

### ADVANCED COURSES - MBA HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OPTION (33 CREDIT HOURS)

All courses are offered online.

Course/No.	Course Title	Rotation	Required Prerequisite
BADM 710	Managerial Finance	Fall Odd Years	BADM 505: Foundations of Finance
BADM 720	Quantitative Analysis	Summer Even Years	BADM 520: Foundations of Calculus & Statistics for Business
ECON 782	Managerial Economics	Fall Even Years	ECON 580: Foundations of Economics and BADM 520: Foundations of Calculus and Statistics for Business
BADM 761*	Leadership Development	Every Spring	BADM 580: Foundations of Marketing and Organizational Behavior
BADM 780	Strategic Management	Every Spring	ACCT 781, BADM 710, ECON 782
ACCT 781	Managerial Accounting	Fall Even Years	ACCT 520: Foundations of Accounting
HSAD 710	Advanced Strategic Management of Health Services Organizations	Every Fall	
HSAD 740	Advanced Health Care Systems	Every Fall	
HSAD 770	Advanced Health Care Management	Every Spring	
HSAD 595	Health Care Practicum	Every Year	
	Elective (500-level or above; cannot be a Foundations course)	Every Semester	

\* BADM 761 Leadership Development will be extended online and will culminate with a rich, five-day, face-to-face residency experience. The online component of the course will take place first, and the five-day residency will follow. The five-day residency will be an executive, conference style component delivered each year at alternating sites between Sioux Falls, South Dakota and Rapid City, South Dakota. All online MBA students are required to take BADM 761 in the hybrid format with residency during their course of study.

\* If you are a prospective student with a disability and need assistance or accommodations during the admission/application process, please contact the Director of Disability Services, 119B Service Center North, USD, Vermillion, SD 57069. Phone: 605-677-6389 • Fax: 605-677-3172 • E-mail: [disabilityservices@usd.edu](mailto:disabilityservices@usd.edu)