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Master of Business Administration (Finance) (Global) (N1KR17)

1. This programme is available at Durham City in a part-time (24 – 60 months) mode of study with entry points in October, January, April and July.

Admissions

2. Applicants should normally have a minimum of three years relevant work experience. Applicants may also be asked to offer a satisfactory score in the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT).
3. Applicants will also be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of mathematical ability.
4. English language requirements: Candidates whose first language is not English will normally be required to possess recent English Language test scores of 6.5 or above (with no element below 6.0) in IELTS, or 92 or above (with no element below 23) in TOEFL IBT, or an equivalent qualification.
5. The programme has been granted exemption from the University Regulations for Postgraduate Matriculation to allow students to apply for APL up to and including 1st February and 1st August to reflect the different enrolment deadlines operating on these programmes.

Level 4 (Degree)

6. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 165 credits from List A below:

List A			Credit Value
EITHER	Managing People#	BUSI42V15	15
OR	Managing People (Block Taught)#	BUSI45P15	15
EITHER	Managing Finance#	BUSI42S15	15
OR	Managing Finance (Block Taught)#	BUSI45Q15	15
EITHER	Managing in the Competitive Environment#	BUSI42T15	15
OR	Managing in the Competitive Environment (Block Taught)#	BUSI45O15	15
EITHER	Managing in the Global EnvironmentΔ	BUSI42U15	15
OR	Managing in the Global Environment (Block Taught)Δ	BUSI45N15	15
EITHER	Strategic ManagementΔ	BUSI42H15	
OR	Strategic Management (Block Taught)Δ	BUSI45M15	15
EITHER	Improving Management Decision MakingΔ	BUSI46H15	
OR	Improving Management Decision Making (Block Taught)Δ	BUSI45R15	15
	Methods of Inquiry	BUSI42R15	15
	Dissertation	BUSI56360	60

7. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 15 credits from List B below:

List B:		Credit Value
Corporate Finance	BUSI59715	15

8. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List C below:

List C:		Credit Value
Financial Planning and Control	BUSI41515	15
Financial Risk Management	BUSI41415	15

9. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List D below:

	List D:		Credit Value
	Business Ethics	BUSI57515	15
	Business Transformation through Information Systems	BUSI41V15	15
	E-Commerce	BUSI57115	15
	Entrepreneurship	BUSI5A115	15
	Issues in Public Management	BUSI57715	15
	Management of Change	BUSI41015	15
	Managerial Psychology	BUSI50815	15
	Managing Marketing Communications	BUSI58415	15
	Managing Social Marketing Campaigns	BUSI46G15	15
	Project Management	BUSI50915	15
	Quantitative Marketing Research	BUSI40915	15
	Small Business Management	BUSI59515	15
	Strategic Marketing	BUSI5A515	15
	Strategic Supply Chain Management	BUSI5A415	15
EITHER	Crisis Management (Blended Learning)	BUSI44115	15
OR	Crisis Management (Block Taught)	BUSI43115	15
EITHER	Delivering Service Excellence (Blended Learning)	BUSI42W15	15
OR	Delivering Service Excellence (Block Taught)	BUSI43J15	15
EITHER	Effective Sales Force Leadership (Blended Learning)	BUSI42X15	15
OR	Effective Sales Force Leadership (Block Taught)	BUSI43L15	15
EITHER	Global Retailing (Blended Learning)	BUSI42Y15	15
OR	Global Retailing (Block Taught)	BUSI44K15	15
EITHER	Globalising Strategic Management (Blended Learning)	BUSI42Z15	15
OR	Globalising Strategic Management (Block Taught)	BUSI43M15	15
EITHER	International Tourism (Blended Learning)	BUSI43H15	15
OR	International Tourism (Block Taught)	BUSI43N15	15
EITHER	Scenario Thinking (Blended Learning)	BUSI46N15	15
OR	Scenario Thinking (Block Taught)	BUSI46O15	15
EITHER	Social Entrepreneurship (Blended Learning)	BUSI44J15	15
OR	Social Entrepreneurship (Block Taught)	BUSI43O15	15

Assessment

10. Candidates will normally progress through the programme by taking core modules before option modules and will normally submit the dissertation of not more than 15,000 words after attempting all core and option modules. Candidates may, however, enrol on option modules after attempting core modules to the value of 60 credits and may enrol and be assessed in the dissertation after attempting core modules to the value of 90 credits including Methods of Inquiry.
11. Progression will depend upon satisfactory performance in assessment of modules, as follows:
 - a) Within the time-limits set out in paragraph 1 above, the minimum rate of progress without requiring the formal approval of the Postgraduate Faculty Education Committee shall be: modules to a total of 45 credits attempted by the end of one full year of registration; modules to a total of 90 credits attempted by the end of two full years of registration; modules to a total of 135 credits attempted by the end of three full years of registration; modules to a total of 180 credits attempted by the end of four full years of registration; modules to a total of 240 credits attempted by the end of five full years of registration. Within these limits, a candidate may split or defer assessment, subject to approval by the Programme Director.
 - b) Approved candidates may initially register for the programme at any time in the year. Thereafter students will be required to register at the start of each academic year. Enrolment (the payment of fees and the undertaking to start study directed to an examination occasion) must be completed not less than six months before the relevant date of examination.
 - c) Candidates are required, as a condition of enrolment and maintaining registration with the University, to pay all tuition fees as may from time to time be approved.
 - d) Enrolment is by module, normally to a minimum value of 45 credits in any year (i.e. in two successive occasions of enrolment).
12. Candidates will normally be required, as part of their programme of study, to attend residential seminars in Durham, or in other approved centres. Any exception shall require the prior approval of Postgraduate Faculty Education Committee.
13. Candidates will normally be permitted to undertake up to three modules via other modes of MBA delivery and be assessed in accordance with the assessment specified in the relevant module outline(s).
14. Unsuccessful candidates will be permitted to retake failed components of summative assessment on one occasion only. Candidates will not be permitted to retake any component of assessment for which a mark of 50% or above has been achieved at the first attempt. The maximum mark that can be awarded for the re-assessment of a module shall be 50%.
15. All module retakes shall normally take place at the next normal occasion except where specified below.
16. Candidates for MBA programmes who fail to satisfy the requirements for the award of MBA but who have achieved 180 credits at Masters level, including a Masters level pass in the Dissertation, shall be awarded the degree of Master of Arts in Business Administration (N1KE07) as an exit qualification.
17. Candidates for MBA programmes who fail to satisfy the requirements for the award of MBA but who have achieved 120 credits, shall be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma Business Administration as an exit qualification.
18. Candidates for MBA programmes who fail to satisfy the requirements for the award of MBA or Postgraduate Diploma but who have achieved 60 credits, including 45 credits from the modules marked # and 15 credits from the modules marked Δ in Section A, shall be awarded the Postgraduate Certificate Business Administration as an exit qualification.

19. With regard to assessment:
 - a) Candidates must have completed and submitted all formative assignments required in the programme of study for a given module before completing summative assessment for that module.
 - b) It is expected that candidates will be assessed at the first ordinary occasion following enrolment. Candidates will thus be automatically registered for assessment at the point of enrolment.
 - c) Examinations shall be held in Durham and in such other centres as may be approved by the University, normally twice a year.
 - d) The Board of Examiners *may* permit a candidate who has failed up to two taught modules to register or to continue to be registered for assessment in subsequent module(s) of the programme. Candidates for MBA programmes will be required to be re-examined in the module(s), normally on the next ordinary occasion of the examination.
 - e) Candidates for MBA programmes who fail modules to the value of 45 or more credits must be re-examined in those modules, normally at the next occasion, before assessment in further modules is permissible. In such cases candidates already registered for assessment in other modules may defer assessment to the next ordinary occasion without penalty.
 - f) Postgraduate Certificate candidates who successfully complete the programme requirements at Masters level may choose *either* to be admitted to further study on an MBA programme *or* to be awarded the Postgraduate Certificate.
20. The requirement for the award of Master of Business Administration (Finance) with Distinction shall be as follows:
 - (a) the achievement of an overall weighted average mark of at least 70% across all the modules taken, to the value of 240 credits, including:
 - (b) the achievement of a mark of 70% or more in the dissertation.
21. The requirement for the award of Master of Business Administration (Finance) with Merit shall be the achievement of an overall weighted average mark of at least 60%, but where the candidate did not meet the criteria for the award of a distinction.
22. Candidates must submit a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words, including footnotes and endnotes, but excluding title page, contents page, acknowledgments, diagrams, tables, bibliography and appendices. In the case of candidates for the MBA (Finance) the dissertation must be on a finance-related topic.
23. The Master of Business Administration (Finance) is accredited by the Association of MBAs (AMBA) for a period of five years from 2008.