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How to apply for an MBA Programme

Before beginning the application process, please make sure you have checked and understood the entry requirements for your chosen programme, which are detailed below.

MBA Entry requirements

MBA International Business (12 months, Full-time)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent), or equivalent professional qualification
- Five years post-graduation work experience with evidence of management (three years exceptional work experience with evidence of management will also be considered)
- IELTS 7.0 (with no less than 6.5 in any band); TOEFL IBT 95 (with no less than 22 in any band); Pearson Academic Test of English 67 (in all four skills)

MBA Global Banking and Finance (12 months, Full-time)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent), or equivalent professional qualification
- Three years finance-related work experience (including 12 months at management level)
- IELTS 7.0 (with no less than 6.5 in any band); TOEFL IBT 95 (with no less than 22 in any band); Pearson Academic Test of English 67 (in all four skills)

MBA Strategy and Procurement Management (Full-time)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent); an equivalent professional qualification (CIPS Graduate Diploma) will also be considered
- A minimum of three years full-time work experience in purchasing and supply management
- IELTS 7.0 (with no less than 6.5 in any band); TOEFL IBT 95 (with no less than 22 in any band); Pearson Academic Test of English 67 (in all four skills)

MBA Strategy and Procurement Management (Part-time)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent); an equivalent professional qualification (CIPS Graduate Diploma) will also be considered
- A minimum of three years full-time work experience in purchasing and supply management
- IELTS 6.5 (with no less than 6.0 in any band); TOEFL IBT 88 (21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 59 (in all four skills)

MBA Executive (UK)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent), or equivalent professional qualification
- Five years work experience
- IELTS 6.5 (with no less than 6.0 in any band); TOEFL IBT 88 (21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 59 (in all four skills)

MBA Executive (Singapore)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent), or equivalent professional qualification
- Five years work experience
- IELTS 6.5 (with no less than 6.0 in any band); TOEFL IBT 88 (21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 59 (in all four skills)

MBA Public Service (Part-time)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent), or equivalent professional qualification
- Three years work experience
- IELTS 6.5 (with no less than 6.0 in any band); TOEFL IBT 88 (21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 59 (in all four skills)

MBA (21 month route, Full-time)

- A good Honours degree, demonstrated numeracy, and adequate preparation in Economics and Accounting
- A minimum of three years full time work experience
- IELTS 6.5 (with no less than 6.0 in any band); TOEFL IBT 88 (21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 59 (in all four skills)

MBA (24 month route, Full-time)

- A good Honours degree (or equivalent), or equivalent professional qualification
- A minimum of three years full time work experience
- IELTS 6.0 (with no less than 5.5 in any band); TOEFL IBT 82 (19 in Reading, 19 in Listening, 21 in Speaking and 19 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 51 (in all four skills)

FAQ - what are the MBA 21 and 24 month routes? (/schools/business/mba/courses/mba-24-and-21-month-routes.aspx)

Graduate Diploma in Business Administration

- A degree (or equivalent qualification) from a recognised university
- Post-graduation work experience is desirable but not mandatory
- IELTS 6.0 (with no less than 5.5 in any band); TOEFL IBT 82 (19 in Reading, 19 in Listening, 21 in Speaking and 19 in Writing); Pearson Academic Test of English 51 (in all four skills)

Ready to apply for an MBA programme?

Your application should include:

- A completed application form
- Evidence of minimum period of work experience – the submission of your resume/CV is compulsory
- One academic reference (if unobtainable, two work related references will suffice)
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- Personal statement - drawing attention to specific aspects of your experience and explaining why you think now is the right time for you to take an MBA. Tell us what you believe you will bring to an MBA and describe how you see the MBA fitting into your future career plans.

  All applicants are considered in detail on an individual basis and a Personal statement gives you the opportunity to tell us why you think we should offer you a place on the programme.
- New applicants will be asked to supply a copy of their passport as a condition of acceptance to all of our programmes.

Closing Dates:

There is no closing date for applications

You will need to complete the following steps:

1. Choose your course from our list of **MBA programmes (/schools/business/mba/courses/index.aspx)** .
2. Click the apply button under the 'How to apply' tab on the course page.
3. When applying, you will be taken to the 'Apply to Birmingham' website where you will be asked to create your own University of Birmingham account to begin this process.
4. Choose a username and password to create a login account on the 'Apply to Birmingham' website.
5. Login to the Apply to Birmingham website pages using these account details.
6. Complete the application form.

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