



Online MBA Program New Student Orientation

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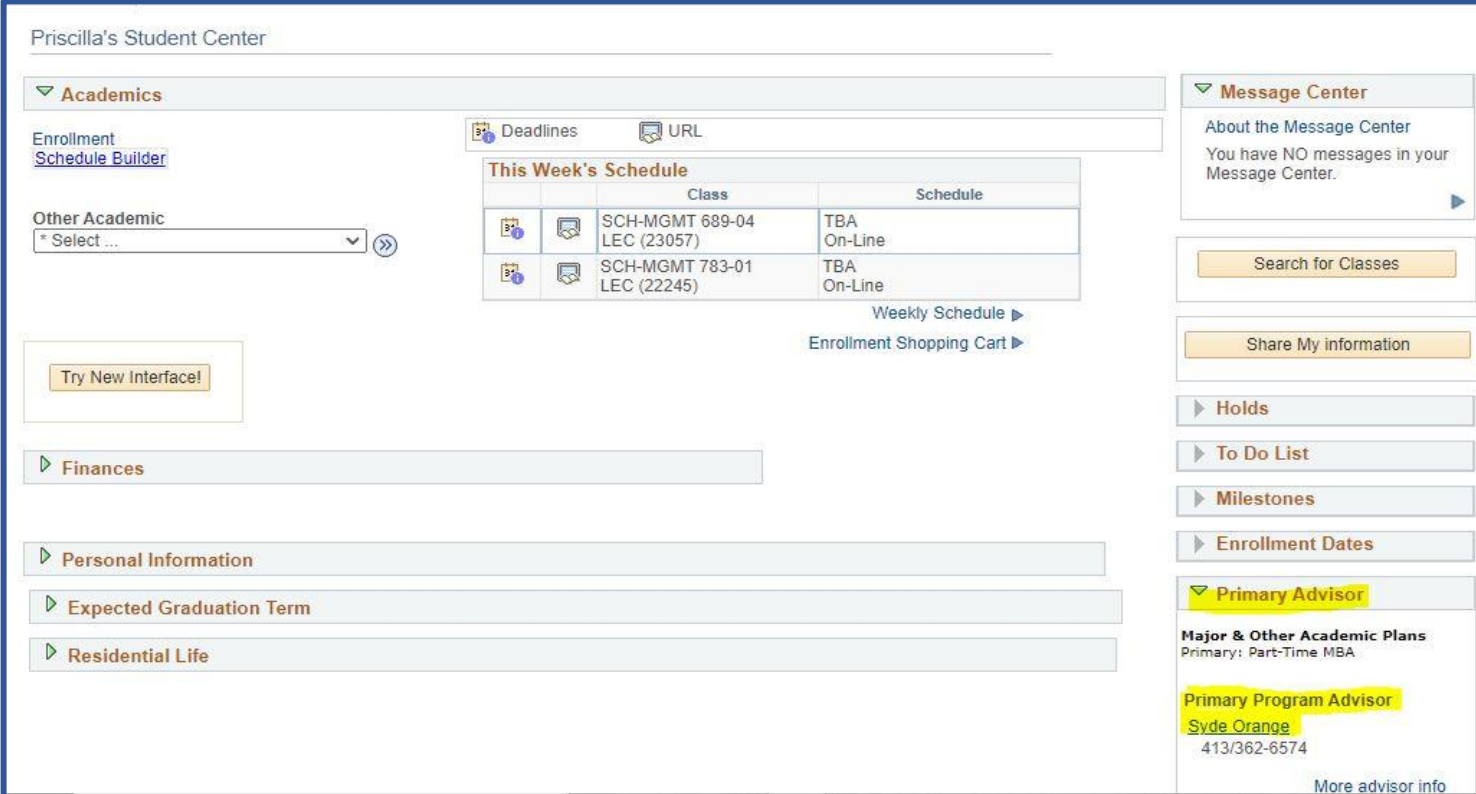


Getting Started

Meet Your Advisor

You will find your assigned advisor on your student center in SPIRE

- We offer academic advising at every stage of your academic journey.
- Each student is assigned a dedicated advisor to assist with any academic questions or concerns.
- Reach out to your assigned advisor using our [advisor page](#).



The screenshot displays the 'Priscilla's Student Center' interface. The main navigation bar includes 'Academics', 'Enrollment', 'Schedule Builder', 'Deadlines', and 'URL'. The 'Academics' section is expanded, showing a dropdown menu for 'Other Academic' with a '* Select ...' option. Below this is a 'Try New Interface!' button. The 'This Week's Schedule' table lists two classes: SCH-MGMT 689-04 LEC (23057) and SCH-MGMT 783-01 LEC (22245), both with 'TBA On-Line' schedules. Links for 'Weekly Schedule' and 'Enrollment Shopping Cart' are provided. The right sidebar contains a 'Message Center' with a 'Search for Classes' button, a 'Share My information' button, and a list of links: 'Holds', 'To Do List', 'Milestones', and 'Enrollment Dates'. The 'Primary Advisor' section is highlighted, showing 'Major & Other Academic Plans' as 'Primary: Part-Time MBA' and 'Primary Program Advisor' as 'Syde Orange' with the phone number '413/362-6574'. A 'More advisor info' link is at the bottom right.

This Week's Schedule		
	Class	Schedule
	SCH-MGMT 689-04 LEC (23057)	TBA On-Line
	SCH-MGMT 783-01 LEC (22245)	TBA On-Line

Weekly Schedule ►
Enrollment Shopping Cart ►

Primary Advisor
Major & Other Academic Plans
Primary: Part-Time MBA
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More advisor info

How Can Your Advisor Help?

- Assist with registration and course selection
- Remind you about upcoming deadlines, key academic calendar dates, and opportunities for professional development
- Confirm degree progress when requested
- Work with the Graduate Records Office to confirm degree completion
- Review transfer credit and waiver requests
- **You are always welcome to set up an advising appointment when you need to chat, or send a quick email if you have a question!**



Student Systems

UMass uses a single sign-on protocol for all online tools. Use your NetID & password for all logins.



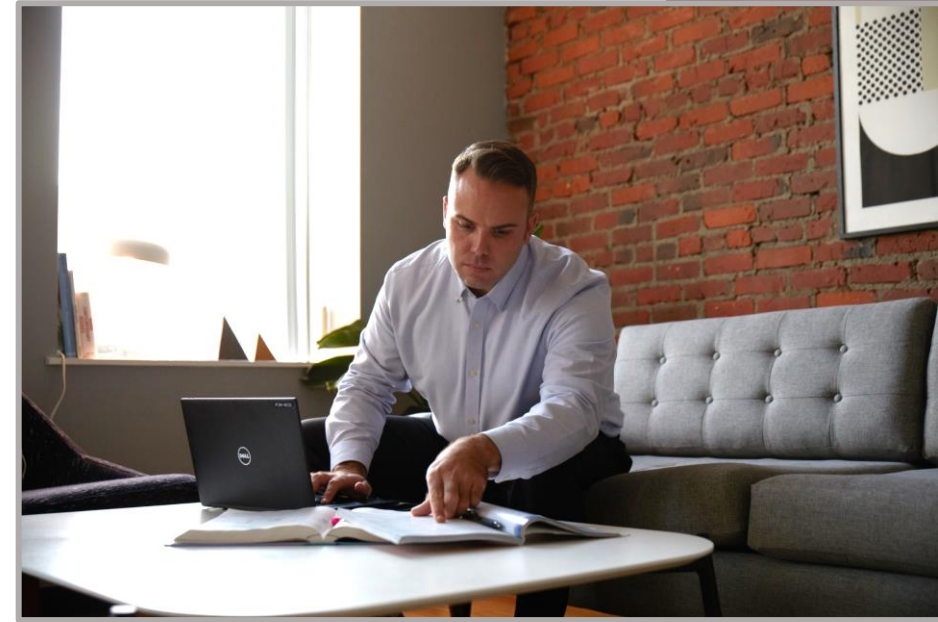
- Course Enrollment
- Bursar bills
- Transcripts & grades
- Holds & to-dos
- Personal information

- Email – check frequently
- Google apps

- Online learning platform
- Access to classes given one week prior to semester start

Tips for Success

- Read all communications from your advisor & MBA Program
- Refer to [Online MBA Student Resource Page](#)
- Review your [degree requirements](#)
- Schedule [advising appointments](#)
- Enroll promptly for classes when registration opens
- Refer to the [Graduate Student Handbook](#)
- Check important semester dates on the [Academic Calendar](#)
- Communicate with faculty
- Contact your advisor before missing a Fall or Spring term



MBA Curriculum

Degree Requirements

- Review your acceptance email for foundation course requirements
- Note listed prerequisites when selecting classes
- Core classes are offered every fall, spring, and summer
- Elective offerings vary by semester
- Note the different credit requirements for General MBA vs MBA w/Focus Area
- Degree requirements differ for Partnership Students

Isenberg Online MBA Degree Requirements Checklist					UMassAmherst Isenberg School of Management
Semester	Grade	Course Title	Course #	Prerequisite	Credits
FOUNDATION Courses: Offered Summer & Winter Semesters					
		Foundations of Accounting*	597FA	None (course exemption may apply)	1
		Foundations of Finance*	597FF	None (course exemption may apply)	1
Foundations Total =					2
CORE Online Courses: Offered Spring, Summer, & Fall Semesters.					
		Strategic Information Management	632	None	3
		Statistics for Business (formerly Business Data Analysis & Statistical Methods)	650	None	3
		Marketing Strategy OR Services Marketing Management	660 or 713	None	3
		Leadership & Organizational Behavior	680	None	3
		Business Law	783	None	3
		Human Resource Management	770	None	3
		Economic Analysis for Managers	644	None	3
		Operations Management	670	650 (or equivalent statistics)	3
		Financial & Managerial Accounting	633	Foundation of Accounting	4
		Corporate Finance	640	Foundation of Finance, 650, 633	3
		Organizational Strategy	689	633, 640, 670, and 660 or 713	3
Core Total =					34
ELECTIVE Online Courses: Offered on rotating basis based on instructor availability.					
		Elective:			1-3
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Elective Total =					3 (General) 9 (Focus Area)
Total Credits to Graduate =					39*
Total Credits to Graduate with Focus =					45*

MBA Focus Areas

- A focus area can be added or removed from your plan at any time
- We highly recommend finalizing all plans that include a focus prior to the halfway point
- Once completed, your focus area will only be reflected on your transcript

MBA Focus Areas

- Business Analytics
- Entrepreneurship
- Finance
- Healthcare Administration
- Marketing



Course Enrollment Process

Course Enrollment Process

- Promptly enroll in classes when registration opens
- Complete course enrollment in SPIRE, courses will be listed as “UWW (CPE)” courses
- Refer to our [Registration Tutorial](#)
- Refer to the [Browse All Courses](#) page to review course syllabi ahead of time
- Prepare to dedicate 10 hours per week, per 3 credit class, during 14-week session
- Utilize preview week – one week prior to the first day of classes
- Review important dates before the semester begins such as ADD/DROP deadline

Textbooks

Required textbooks and materials will always be listed in the instructor's syllabus. You can also find a textbook summary on SPIRE, following these steps:

- Log into SPIRE
- In your student center, select drop-down menu "Other Academic"
- Select class schedule
- Select term
- Select "View/Purchase Textbooks on eCampus"

My Class Schedule

Select Display Option ☒ List View ☐ Weekly Calendar View

Spring 2020 | Graduate | U. of Massachusetts Amherst [Change Term](#)

[View/Purchase Textbooks on eCampus](#)

Class Schedule Filter Options

☒ Show Enrolled Classes
☐ Show Dropped Classes
☐ Show Waitlisted Classes

[Filter](#)

SCH-MGMT 633 - Financial&ManagerialAccounting

Status	Units	Grading	Grade	Deadlines
Enrolled	4.00	Graduate School Letter Grading		

Class Nbr	Section	Component	Days & Times	Room	Instructor	Start/End Date	URL
50637	01	Lecture		On-Line	Pamela Trafford	01/21/2020 - 04/29/2020	

[Printer Friendly Page](#)

Academic Calendar

Fall (required)

- September - December
- 14 weeks
- Enrollment opens in June

Winter

- December - February
- 6 weeks
- Enrollment opens in October

Spring (required)

- February - May
- 14 weeks
- Enrollment opens in November

Summer

- May - August
- 1 ten-week option and/or
- 2 six-week options
- Enrollment opens in March

Student Resources

Online Learning & Tech Support



New to online learning? University of Massachusetts Amherst, University Without Walls (UWW) provides numerous tutorials and guidelines to help you prepare for a successful semester of online learning. The [Student Orientation & Resource Area](#) includes the following resources:

- Get Ready Checklist
- Navigating Blackboard Learn
- Discussions, Assignments, Tests & Quizzes
- Video Conferencing Guidelines
- Blackboard Learn offers 24/7 support
- UMass IT can help with Net ID, Email and Spire

Tuition

Current Tuition & Fees

- \$925 per credit
- \$507 entrance fee (one-time)
- \$60 registration fee (per term)

Bills & Payments

- Bills are posted around the 15th of each month in SPIRE
- Contact the UMass Bursar's for payment details and payment plan options

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Class	Schedule
SCH-MGMT 597FA-01 LEC (38540)	CPE Class with Moodle

Financial Aid

You may apply for student loans through the University of Massachusetts, [Financial Aid Services Office](#)

Important:

- You must complete [FAFSA](#) in order to be considered for aid
- You must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credits per semester to be eligible
- Not available to international students



Veteran Services

Veteran Financial Aid Benefits

- UMass Amherst has a dedicated [Veteran Services Office](#) to assist you with your military benefits and available tuition assistance.
- Contact: Lynn Gates
vetbenefits@umass.edu
413.545.5792 tel
413.577.2471 fax



Career Services

Visit [IConnect](#) for career-related resources for online MBA students, including:

- Jobs and career opportunities
- Networking events
- Company information sessions
- Career workshops
- Industry insights
- Guides to careers in your industry
- Schedule a one-on-one career coaching session



Other Student Services

- [Library Resources](#)
- [Distance Learning Student Card](#)
- [Center for Counseling and Psychological Health](#)



Looking Ahead to Graduation!

Graduation

Commencement Events are held once per year in May.
All graduating students are invited to attend!

Degree Completion Dates

- **September:** Degree requirements completed in summer
- **February:** Degree requirements completed in fall or winter
- **May:** Degree requirements completed in spring

Note: Diplomas are mailed to you about 2 months after degree date



Important Forms

Degree Eligibility Form	Required for all students
Commencement Participation Form	Required for students participating in commencement events

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