Executive Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Washington University’s Executive MBA (EMBA) program provides a holistic approach to managing people, projects and budgets.

During the 20-month program, classes meet monthly for three-day sessions (with the exception of three residencies (https://olin.wustl.edu/EN-US/executive-programs/executive-mba/academics/residencies/Pages/residencies.aspx)). Washington University’s Executive MBA team takes care of securing a student’s textbooks, course materials, meals and on-campus parking passes.

The Executive MBA program requires 60 credit units for graduation. Course work and residencies focus on leadership development. Our values-based, data-driven approach to leadership is woven through the EMBA program curriculum, from GO! Week through the final capstone project. Students meet with certified executive leadership coaches throughout the program — and even afterward — to develop a personalized, actionable leadership plan built around their own higher-purpose statement. The EMBA program also includes a data-driven decision-making course to help leaders understand the ways technology affects business and how to build teams that harness the power of technology and data.


Degree Requirements

Executive MBA

Credit Units

The Executive MBA (EMBA) program requires each student to complete 60 credit units.

Olin Code of Conduct

All EMBA students are required to abide by the Olin Business School Code of Conduct, which pertains to topics such as academic integrity, professionalism and respect for others. The code also contains guidelines and procedures for academic discipline. Failure to comply with the code may result in penalties up to and including expulsion.

Residencies

The EMBA program includes three mandatory residencies: GO! Week, D.C. Immersion, and the International Management Residency. Due to the experiential nature of these residencies, they are impossible to duplicate through other course work and therefore are mandatory for graduation.

Standard Classroom Schedule/Out-of-Class Requirements

EMBA classes meet from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., with lunch from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The program will also periodically require students to be present for sessions during the lunch hour and in the evening.

In addition, EMBA students will have significant out-of-class requirements (e.g., readings, team meetings, assignments, projects, exams). These typically begin about four weeks prior to the first session of a course and end between two and six weeks after the final session of a course.

Time Limit

Although most EMBA students complete their MBA degree with their cohort in 20 months, there is a seven-year time limit for completion of the MBA degree.