Degree candidacy requirements

A graduate student admitted to a program or concentration requiring a final research project, work of art, thesis or dissertation, must qualify for continuing master’s or doctoral status according to the degree candidacy requirements of the student’s graduate program. Admission to degree candidacy, if applicable, is a formal statement by the graduate student’s faculty regarding the student’s academic achievements and the student’s readiness to proceed to the final research phase of the degree program.

Graduate students and program directors should refer to the following degree candidacy policy as published in the VCU Graduate Bulletin for complete information and instructions.

Visit the academic regulations section for additional information on degree candidacy requirements.

Graduation requirements

As graduate students approach the end of their academic programs and the final semester of matriculation, they must make formal application to graduate. No degrees will be conferred until the application to graduate has been finalized.

Graduate students and program directors should refer to the following graduation requirements as published in the Graduate Bulletin for a complete list of instructions and a graduation checklist.

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Other information

School of Business policies and procedures for graduate students are available on the school’s website.

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In addition to the general admission requirements of the VCU Graduate School (http://bulletin.vcu.edu/graduate/study/admission-graduate-study/admission-requirements/), applicants to the master’s program in business administration must submit an up-to-date resume.

Degree requirements

The Executive M.B.A. program is designed for students with familiarity with significant work experience. The student’s adviser will review the student’s educational and professional background to determine the extent to which the student has satisfied the prerequisites. Those with outstanding prerequisites will be required to attend one or more training sessions to remove any deficiencies.

In addition to VCU Graduate School graduation requirements (http://bulletin.vcu.edu/academic-regis/grad/graduation-info/), students seeking a concentration must complete a minimum of 48 graduate credit hours.
The program consists of 13 courses that are divided into seven integrated modules plus the concentration electives.

**Curriculum requirements**

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**Total Hours** 48

The minimum total of graduate credit hours required for this degree is 48.

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