BUSINESS: ARTS ADMINISTRATION, MBA

POLICIES

GRADUATE SCHOOL POLICIES

The Graduate School’s Academic Policies and Procedures (https://grad.wisc.edu/acadpolicy/) provide essential information regarding general university policies. Program authority to set degree policies beyond the minimum required by the Graduate School lies with the degree program faculty. Policies set by the academic degree program can be found below.

MAJOR-SPECIFIC POLICIES

PRIOR COURSEWORK

Graduate Work from Other Institutions
No credits of prior coursework are allowed to satisfy requirements.

UW–Madison Undergraduate
No credits from a UW–Madison undergraduate degree are allowed to count toward the degree.

UW–Madison University Special
No credits of prior coursework are allowed to satisfy requirements.

PROBATION

This program follows the Graduate School’s Probation policy. (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1232/)

ADVISOR / COMMITTEE

This program follows the Graduate School’s Advisor policy (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1217/) and the Graduate School’s Committees policy (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1201/).

CREDITS PER TERM ALLOWED

15 credits

TIME LIMITS

This program follows the Graduate School’s Time Limits policy (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1221/).

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

These resources may be helpful in addressing your concerns:

- Bias or Hate Reporting (https://doso.students.wisc.edu/bias-or-hate-reporting/)
- Graduate Assistantship Policies and Procedures (https://hr.wisc.edu/policies/gapp/#grievance-procedure)
- Hostile and Intimidating Behavior Policies and Procedures (https://hr.wisc.edu/hib/)
  - Office of the Provost for Faculty and Staff Affairs (https://facstaff provost.wisc.edu/)
  - Dean of Students Office (https://doso.students.wisc.edu/) (for all students to seek grievance assistance and support)
- Employee Assistance (http://www.eao.wisc.edu/) (for personal counseling and workplace consultation around communication and conflict involving graduate assistants and other employees, postdoctoral students, faculty and staff)
- Employee Disability Resource Office (https://employeedisabilities.wisc.edu/) (for qualified employees or applicants with disabilities to have equal employment opportunities)
- Graduate School (https://grad.wisc.edu/) (for informal advice at any level of review and for official appeals of program/departmental or school/college grievance decisions)
- Office of Compliance (https://compliance.wisc.edu/) (for class harassment and discrimination, including sexual harassment and sexual violence)
- Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards (https://conduct.students.wisc.edu/) (for conflicts involving students)
- Ombuds Office for Faculty and Staff (http://www.ombuds.wisc.edu/) (for employed graduate students and post-docs, as well as faculty and staff)
- Title IX (https://compliance.wisc.edu/titleix/) (for concerns about discrimination)

Any student who feels that they have been mistreated by a faculty or staff member has the right to lodge a complaint. Complaints may concern course grades, classroom treatment, program admission, or other issues. To ensure a prompt and fair hearing of any complaint and to protect both the student’s rights and the person at whom the complaint is addressed, the grievance procedures below are used in the School of Business.

The person whom the complaint is directed against must be an employee of the School of Business. Any student or potential student may use these procedures unless other campus rules or contracts cover the complaint:

1. If the student feels comfortable/safe doing so, the student should first talk with the person against whom the grievance is directed. Most issues can be settled at this level. If the complaint is directed against a teaching assistant (TA) and the student is not satisfied after discussion of the grievance with the TA, the next step would be to talk to the TA’s supervisor, who is usually the course professor. If the complaint is still not resolved satisfactorily, the student may continue to step 2.

2. If the complaint involves an academic department, the student should contact the chair of the department. The chair will attempt to resolve the problem informally. If this cannot be done to the student’s satisfaction, the student may submit the grievance to the chair in writing. This must be done within 60 calendar days of the alleged unfair treatment.
   a. If the complaint does not involve an academic department, the procedure outlined in Step 4 below should be followed.

3. On receipt of a written complaint, the chair will refer the matter to a departmental committee, which will obtain a written response from the person at whom the complaint is directed. This response shall be shared with the person filing the grievance. The chair will provide a written decision within 30 days to the student on the action taken by the committee.

4. If either party is not satisfied with the decision, they have five working days from receipt of the decision to contact the dean’s office (at the number below), indicating the intention to appeal. If the complaint does not involve an academic department in the school, the student must contact the dean’s office within 60 calendar days of the alleged unfair treatment.

5. In either case, there will be an attempt to resolve the issue informally by the appropriate associate dean. If this cannot be
done, the complaint can be filed in writing with the Office of
the Dean. This must be done within 10 working days of the time
the appealing party was notified that informal resolution was
unsuccessful.

6. On receipt of such a written complaint, the Chief Diversity
and Inclusion Officer will convene a subcommittee of relevant
stakeholders pending the nature of the issue. This subcommittee
may ask for additional information from the parties involved
and may hold a hearing at which both parties will be asked to
speak separately. The subcommittee will then make a written
recommendation to the dean of the School of Business who will
render a decision. Unless a longer time is negotiated, this written
decision shall be made within 20 working days from when the
grievance was filed with the Office of the Dean.

Questions about these procedures can be directed to the School of
Business, Office of the Dean, 4339 Grainger, 975 University Avenue,
608-262-7867.

State law contains additional provisions regarding discrimination and
harassment. Wisconsin Statutes 36.12 reads, in part: “No student
may be denied admission to, participation in or the benefits of, or be
discriminated against in any service, program, course or facility of the
system or its institutions or center because of the student’s race, color,
creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability, ancestry, age, sexual
orientation, pregnancy, marital status or parental status.” In addition,
UW–System prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or gender
expression. Students have the right to file discrimination and harassment
complaints with the Office of Compliance, 361 Bascom Hall, 608-265-6018,
uwcomplianceoffice@wisc.edu.

The Graduate School has procedures for students wishing to appeal
a grievance decision at the school/college level. These policies are
described in the Graduate School’s Academic Policies and Procedures:
https://grad.wisc.edu/documents/grievances-and-appeals/

OTHER

Students must be enrolled full-time.