MASTER'S and MBA Guide



















California State University, Fullerton College of Business and Economics

The Cal State Fullerton College of Business and Economics is a regional academic powerhouse located in Orange County known for launching the careers of a diverse student population.

As the largest accredited business school on the West Coast — and the only one to hold dual AACSB accreditation in business and accounting in Orange County — CSUF's College of Business and Economics offers the breadth and depth of programs that are expected within a large, well-established business school, while boasting the resources and development opportunities essential to maximizing an MBA degree and advancing a business career.

Leveraging the diversity and entrepreneurial spirit of Southern California, the College of Business and Economics provides a world-class business education that integrates classroom learning with real-world experiences incorporating best business practices, technology and research.

Students study business on a global scale. They are immersed in cross-cultural practices and learn from world-renowned faculty who are experts and thought leaders in their respective fields. Students also tap into the college's deep connections in the local business community, as well as a network of more than 75,000 alumni across a wide spectrum of industries.

The college is home to more than a dozen Centers of Excellence, which serve as a bridge between the classroom and a successful career. The centers work with an impressive range of companies, from small family-owned businesses to Fortune 500 firms. Business leaders share their expertise in the classroom and

provide consulting opportunities for students, who acquire hands-on experience, establish professional connections and expand their résumés.

A hub for career and professional development with connections to top executive mentors and employers in Southern California, the college's dedicated career center supports career advancement and encourages students to "Think Forward. Be Your Future."

Programs That Fit Your Schedule

Cal State Fullerton's College of Business and Economics is proud to offer two convenient, flexible and cost-effective MBA programs designed for the working professional.

FLEXIBLE MBA

The Flex MBA offers 10 concentration options and can be either a part-time or full-time program. Depending on the course load taken, the degree can be completed in two to three years. Students may start in the fall or spring, and classes are held in the evening.

FULLY EMPLOYED MBA (FEMBA)

Designed for working professionals and executives who want to maintain career momentum while pursuing an MBA, this 36-month, cohort-based program begins in the fall. Each cohort consists of approximately 25 professionals from diverse backgrounds and industries, offering an instant opportunity for networking and connections. The eight-week courses are held in the evenings to fit busy schedules.

Name of Institution

California State University, Fullerton

Name of Business School or Program

College of Business and Economics

Business School Dean

Sridhar Sundaram, DBA

Year Institution was Founded

1957

Year Business School or Program was Started

1960

Total MBA Enrollment

370

MBA Platforms Offered

Flexible (Part-time)

Fully Employed (Part-time, cohort based)

MBA Areas of Emphasis Offered

Accounting, Business Analytics, Finance, Human Resources, Information Systems, Management, Marketing, Supply Chain Management, Organizational Leadership, Risk Management and Insurance.

Length of Programs

Flexible (Part-time): 24-36 months

Fully Employed: Part-time – 8-week courses, cohort based, 36 months

Program Accreditations

AACSB dual accreditation (Business and Accounting)

Rankings

U.S. News and World Report, Best Part-Time MBA U.S. News and World Report, Best Business Schools Princeton Review, Best Business Colleges

Total Cost of MBA

Flex MBA: \$30,000 (CA resident students) FEMBA: \$35,000 (CA resident students)

Required Testing

GMAT or GRE (waivers available)

Upcoming Information Sessions

Information can be found at:

https://business.fullerton.edu/programs/graduate/events

Application Deadlines

Flexible (Part-time): June 1 (fall) or Oct. 1 (spring) Fully Employed MBA: June 15 (fall)

Program Contact Information

https://business.fullerton.edu/programs/graduate/mba-program-comparison businessgradprogram@fullerton.edu (657)278-3622









The CSUF team is among the 6 OUT OF 1,300 competing university teams in the world that advanced to the elite global round.

All members of the team are part of the **Titan Capital Management** student-led investment program, which manages a **\$3 million** stock and bond portfolio and jumpstarts student finance careers at firms such as **Goldman Sachs**, **Pimco**, and **J.P. Morgan Chase**.

Special thanks to Equity Director of Titan Capital Management and team advisor Kelly Ko, Managing Director of Titan Capital Management Marcia Clark, longtime program supporter and Chairman of Jackson Square Partners

Jeff Van Harte '80, and Industry Mentor Derek Derman.





Argyros School of Business and Economics at Chapman University

Argyros School of Business and Economics at Chapman University offers several paths to an MBA, along with master's degrees in real estate and accounting. Students have access to the thriving business environment of Orange County and a global network of professionals. Students are immersed in both theoretical and real-world business settings and participate in hands-on learning with high-achieving peers. The curriculum prepares students to add value to their organizations and be industry leaders.

On April 25, Argyros School rose to No. 60 in the Best Business School rankings by U.S. News & World Report. It was the school's highest-ever position in rankings of business schools with full-time MBA programs. Chapman ranked behind just six schools in California and ahead of Pepperdine and Claremont Graduate University.

Chapman's full-time MBA program was established in 2005. Argyros School offers four MBA paths: full-time, flexible, integrated and executive, along with a JD/MBA, MFA/MBA and MS in food science/MBA. Argyros also offers master's degrees in real estate, accounting and economics.



Name of Institution

Chapman University

Name of Business School or Program

Argyros School of Business and Economics

Business School Dean

Henrik Cronqvist

Year Institution was Founded

1861

Year Business School or Program was Started

Total MBA Enrollment

180

MBA Platforms Offered

Full-time, integrated, flexible, executive, joint (with JD, MFA, and MS in food science)

Length of Programs

16-21 months or 21-28 months

Program Accreditations

WASC and AACSB

Rankings

#60 U.S. News & World Report Best Business Schools (schools with full-time MBA programs, new 2023-24 ranking) #3 among private schools in California

Total Cost of MBA

Required Testing

\$97,750

GMAT or GRE

Upcoming Information Sessions

May 16, 5:30 p.m. at Philz Coffee in Orange

May 23, 6 p.m. online

May 31, 5:30 p.m. at Pandor in Irvine

Application Deadlines

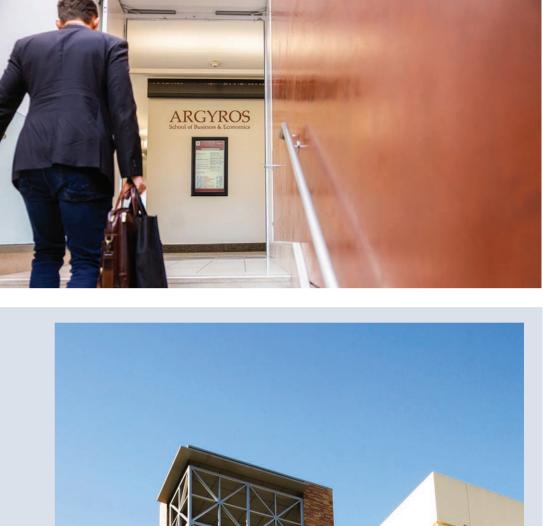
Full-Time MBA Round 1: Oct. 1 Round 2: Feb. 1 Round 3: June 1 Flexible MBA

Flexible MBA Round 1: Oct. 1 Round 2: Dec. 1

Spring

Round 1: March 1 Round 2: June 1

Executive MBA Round 1: April 1 Round 2: June 1 **Program Contact Information** Chapman.edu/MBA (714) 516-7190









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"The Chapman MBA has given me the skills and resources to confidently go forward as a data center manager for Amazon Web Services.



From the career services center, faculty, professors and my cohort, everyone has collectively made my Chapman MBA one of the utmost value."

MICHAEL BRAZIL (MBA '22)
 Data Center Manager, Amazon Web Services

Learn more Chapman.edu/business





CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IRVINE





Concordia University Irvine Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Many of our MBA students know at the outset that they have what it takes to become successful business leaders or entrepreneurs. They're just not sure how to harness it. What they need is direction from someone who's been there, to help develop and bring their gifts to fruition. That's where we come in. At Concordia University Irvine, our MBA program has a history of coming alongside such students, regardless of life stage or occupation.

"My husband and I landed on Concordia's MBA program because it checked every single box: it was affordable, close to us, had the accreditations we wanted, and small class sizes. To this day, we can't praise it enough." Jamie Buda MBA '18

This is a program that will help you explore and refine your talents. Whether you want to advance in an established firm or leap into your own startup, you'll learn ways to make it happen. Our flexible and comprehensive program allows you to immediately start applying your education by concentrating on the practical side of business, without ignoring management theory.

Most importantly, you will discover a cooperative and collaborative environment in our classes. Students develop bonds that help advance and last throughout their careers. And Concordia MBA professors teach from experience. In fact, when they're not in the classroom, many are running successful businesses of their own throughout Orange County and the greater Los Angeles area. You will learn from instructors who want to share their insights by mentoring the next class of emerging business talent. They're here to help prepare and equip you for your career path, wherever it leads.

Professional Calling

As a Lutheran Christian university, our MBA courses are taught by faculty who understand God's gifting of individuals. They are dedicated to helping you fulfill your professional calling.

"It was a really good fit because Concordia is focused on having professors and students in the business world, and using that to learn. As a Christian university, having those values behind the education of business is important to me as well." Michael Simons MBA '18

Six Start Dates Per Year

We offer six start dates throughout the year, so as a working professional, you can make it work with your schedule. Courses are offered Monday-Thursday evenings, with some elective courses also available on Saturdays. Our hilltop campus is conveniently located near the 405 freeway in Irvine.

Sports Business Emphasis

Our modern curriculum is designed to meet the increasing sophistication of sports-specific issues in professional and college sports businesses. With connections to top sports organizations throughout OC, LA, and SD, students gain practical, well-rounded knowledge as they network with professors and classmates.

Internationally Accredited

Our School of Business and Economics voluntarily participated in a rigorous evaluation by highly-trained reviewers and, as a result, is proud to have received accreditation from the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE). You can be assured that our goal is your academic and occupational success.

"The program opened new possibilities for my life. I had very good experiences with the classes and interactions with other students. I really enjoyed the collaboration. I feel comfortable applying for any business-related position now." Lucie Wang MBA '19

Take the Next Step in Your Career Today

Our MBA is offered at a fraction of the cost of other campus-based and private MBA programs—and because we do not require the GMAT, this saves you time and money as well. We simply don't believe that the GMAT is the best predictor of emerging business professionals. Visit our website to contact one of our admissions specialists or start your application today.

Name of Institution

Concordia University Irvine

Name of Business School or Program

Master of Business Administration (MBA) – School of Business & Economics

Business School Dean

George W. Wright, Dean, School of Business & Economics

Year Institution was Founded

1976

Year Business School or Program was Started

1999

Total MBA Enrollment

70

MBA Platforms Offered

Full Time / Part Time / Evening / Weekend / On-Campus

MBA Areas of Emphasis Offered

Sports Business

Length of Programs

18-24 months

Program Accreditations

WSCUC / International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE)

Rankings

Top Performers on Social Mobility (U.S. News & World Report)

Total Cost of MBA

\$38,000 (\$950/unit x 40 units)

Required Testing

No GMAT requirement

Upcoming Information Sessions

June 8, 2023, July 27, 2023

Application Deadlines

June 19, 2023 for July 3, 2023 start date August 14, 2023 for August 28, 2023 start date

Program Contact Information

www.cui.edu/mba (949) 214-3613

Advance Your Professional Callings

At Concordia University Irvine, our graduate programs are designed for busy professionals, like you, who want to broaden their expertise in business, coaching, consulting, counseling, education, healthcare, leadership, ministry, and more. By teaching both the hard and soft skills you need, our programs equip you with the tools to adapt to the ever-changing workplace and world.

Why Choose Concordia **University Irvine?**

- Explore master's, doctoral, and graduate certificate programs
- Study on our Irvine campus or online on your schedule
- Get individualized support in small, collaborative classes
- Learn from Christian faculty and renowned thought leaders
- Grow and develop professionally, personally, and spiritually

Learn More at cui.edu



"Concordia's community is unique due to its diversity in education, students, and campus location. The campus is filled with friendly staff and students who are always available to help."

Priyanka P., MA '22











UCI Paul Merage School of Business

Leadership for a Digitally Driven World™

The UCI Paul Merage School of Business

Digital technology has drastically changed how companies operate and grow. Will you be able to keep up with the pace of change and innovation? More importantly, will you be prepared to lead the way?

UC Irvine's Paul Merage School of Business MBA programs offer a personalized educational experience to help students develop the tools and leadership skills to think creatively and strategically about the challenges and opportunities created by digital technologies.

Commitment to Unparalleled Educational Quality

The Merage School and its programs consistently rank among the top schools nationally and globally. Worldwide, business leaders choose the Merage School, realizing that its unique combination of curriculum, career advancement, collaboration culture is unparalleled in peer institutions.

"We have made a commitment to our students to provide the highest quality education possible," said Ian O. Williamson, Dean of the Merage School. "Our faculty, students, staff and the business community continually collaborate to ensure our curriculum and resources meet the demands of our students and the employers that hire them. This open dialogue provides tremendous value to our school, our students and the business community."

The Merage School is proud to offer three highly ranked MBA programs: **Full-Time MBA**

The Full-Time MBA program is geared toward highly motivated professionals who want to develop critical leadership skills and increase their career potential. Graduates from this unique two-year program represent diverse academic, professional and cultural backgrounds, and rejoin the workforce with a leadership skill set for the digital world.

Flex MBA (formerly Fully Employed MBA)

The Flex MBA program is designed for working professionals and the demands on their schedules. Students receive the same world-class education with the

Name of Institution

University of California, Irvine (UCI)

Name of School or Program

The Paul Merage School of Business

School Dean

Ian O. Williamson, PhD

Year Institution was Founded

1965

Year School or Program was founded

Total Enrollment (all platforms offered) Executive MBA – 101 Fully Employed MBA – 375

Full-Time MBA – 85 Platforms Offered

Full-Time MBA

Flex MBA

Executive MBA

Specialty Masters Programs:

- Master of Finance
- Master of Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Master of Professional Accountancy
- Master of Science in Business Analytics

Areas of Emphasis Offered

Digital Transformation
Health Care Management and Policy
Health Care Leadership (EMBA only)
Innovation & Entrepreneurship
Real Estate and Urban Development

Length of Programs

Full-Time MBA: 21 months
Flex MBA: As few as 24 months
Executive MBA: 24 months
Specialty Masters Programs: As few as 12 months

flexibility to take classes in-person at our beautiful Irvine campus, online, or a combination. The Flex MBA allows you to customize your MBA experience. Students also participate in an executive leadership residential and an international experiential learning opportunity, both unique to the Merage School program.

Executive MBA

The Executive MBA program is designed for those who want to immerse themselves in the dynamic thinking required in our current business environment and aligns with the career goals of mid to senior-level professionals. Classes are held every third weekend for 21-months beginning in September in a format that supplements in-class sessions with state-of-the art online learning between class weekends. A Healthcare Leadership Track has been built out within EMBA for those who want to apply their knowledge of business as a leader in the changing healthcare industry.

Specialized Masters Programs

In addition to these well-respected MBA programs, the Merage School also offers four specialized one-year master's degree designed for early career professionals ready to launch into their field.

- Master of Finance: Preparing students for entry and mid-level finance positions such as risk management, portfolio management, asset and wealth management.
- Master of Innovation and Entrepreneurship: The only program of its kind in the UC System, providing extensive integrated and immersive academic and practical experience for students looking to embark on careers as entrepreneurs (innovating to form new companies) and intrapreneurs (innovating within existing companies).
- Master of Professional Accountancy: Preparing students for a successful accounting career by offering an intensive and comprehensive one- or two-year option.
- Master of Science in Business Analytics: Preparing students for high-demand opportunities in big data and business analytics across a variety of industries throughout California and beyond.

Program Accreditations

WASC Senior College & University Commission (WSCUC) & AACSB

Rankings

- #37 Full-Time MBA in the U.S. (U.S. News & World Report, 2023)
- #28 Part-time MBA in the U.S. (U.S. News & World Report, 2023)
- #30 Undergraduate Business program in the U.S. (U.S. News & World Report, 2023)
- #8 Public University (U.S. News & World Report, 2021 Best Colleges)
- #1 in the world for percentage of female faculty (Financial Times, 2022)
- #3 in the world for percentage of female students (Financial Times, 2022)
- #8 Executive MBA among U.S. based schools and #58 worldwide (Financial Times, 2020)
- #17 Executive MBA in the U.S. and #27 worldwide (The Economist, 2020)
- Top 25 Master's in Accounting at schools with 15 or fewer full-time Accounting Faculty (PAR Extra)

Total Cos

The numbers below reflect our total Spring 2023 tuition cost. Please contact our school or visit the website for more details.

- Full-Time MBA: \$97,261
- Fully Employed MBA: \$111,825
- Executive MBA: \$153,440

Required Testing

GMAT/GRE waiver available for qualified Full-Time MBA, Flex MBA and EMBA candidates.

Official English language proficiency score (TOEFL, IELTS, PTE) also required for international students.

Upcoming Information Sessions

Visit merage.uci.edu/events to register for our next info session, webinar or preview event.

Application Deadlines

Fall 2023:

- Full-Time MBA: June 1
- Flex MBA: June 1
- Executive MBA: June 1

Program Contact Information

merage.uci.edu mba@merage.uci.edu

Define Your Future



Digital disruption is on the rise, at every company, within all industries. Such transformation needs a new kind of leader. You.

UCI's Paul Merage School of Business is dedicated to preparing leaders to go beyond conventional thinking and embrace the challenges of digital disruption in a world where creative leadership and rapid innovation is required.

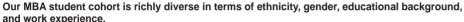
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UCR Business is opening a new 63,400 square-foot building in fall 2024.

University of California, Riverside School of Business | A. Gary Anderson Graduate School of Management

With a nationally ranked and internationally recognized MBA program, the AACSB-accredited A. Gary Anderson Graduate School of Management (AGSM) at the UC Riverside School of Business is one of the fastest growing graduate business schools in Southern California.

Steeped in the values of inclusion, integrity, innovation and collaboration, UCR Business is a professional school that educates and develops leaders who are as diverse as the challenges they face, the workforces they lead, and the enterprises they grow. With a global alumni network of nearly 20,000, UCR Business graduates hold leadership roles at multinational public and private companies as well as in entrepreneurial ventures across industries including Amazon, Bank of America, Meta, EY, Goldman Sachs, Google, Nike, PepsiCo, Robinhood, PwC, T-Mobile, The Walt Disney Company, Esri, and Northrup Grumman among others.

Our rigorous graduate programs, taught by our world-renowned faculty, are STEM-designated, and will equip students with the leadership and technical skills needed to succeed in business. Our cross-disciplinary, tech-laden, and globally-

conscious curriculum is practical and skills-driven, preparing candidates to lead at the forefront of business innovation.

Within the MBA curriculum, students may choose among seven concentrations to focus their studies: accounting, business analytics, finance, information systems, management, marketing, or operations and supply chain management.

UCR Business is making moves to shape our future and yours. In spring 2023, we broke ground on a new 63,400 square foot building which will add new state-of-the-art classrooms, group study rooms, a graduate student lounge, a large auditorium, and indoor/outdoor event spaces. We additionally offer competitive scholarship packages based on merit, academic strength, professional excellence, and contribution to the cohort.

Find out why we're the Next-Generation Business School and become a next-generation business leader. Visit business.ucr.edu or email us at ucr_agsm@ucr.edu.

Name of Institution

University of California, Riverside

Name of Business School or Program UC Riverside School of Business | A. Gary

UC Riverside School of Business | A. Gary Anderson Graduate School of Management

Business School Dean Yunzeng Wang, Ph.D.

Year Institution was Founded 1954

Year Business School or Program was Started

Total MBA & MS Enrollment

Full-time MBA: 136 Professional MBA: 195 Master of Professional Accountancy: 59 Master of Finance: 63

Master of Science in Business Analytics: 58

MBA & MS Platforms Offered

Full-time MBA
Professional MBA
Master of Professional Accountancy
Master of Finance
Master of Science in Business Analytics

MBA Areas of Emphasis Offered

Accounting, Business Analytics, Finance,

Information Systems, Management, Marketing, Operations and Supply Chain Management

Length of Programs

(24 month, 18 month, 14 month, etc)
Full-time MBA: 21 months
Professional MBA: At your pace (typically completed in three years on a part-time basis)
Master of Professional Accountancy: 9 or 15 months
Master of Finance: 9 or 15 months
Master of Science in Business Analytics: 9 or 15 months

Program Accreditations

AACSB, WASC

Rankings

No. 89, US. News & World Report, Full-time MBA 2023

Total Cost of MBA

Full-time MBA: \$47,058 per year Professional MBA: \$1,477 per unit*. Approximately \$39,387 per year attending part-time Master of Professional Accountancy: \$60,384 Master of Finance: \$66,096 Master of Science in Business Analytics: \$59,856

*80 units required to graduate

Required Testing

Test optional. Applications can be considered

without GMAT/GRE score submission.

Upcoming Information Sessions

Information sessions are held frequently with virtual and in-person offerings.

Participants can get further support by scheduling a personal consultation and attending an application workshop. Visit

business.ucr.edu/graduate/admissions to explore options.

Application Deadlines

Priority Round: December 15

Round 2: January 31

Round 3: March 31

Round 4: June 1

Late Round: August 1

Program Contact Information

business.ucr.edu/graduate (951) 827-6200



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University of La Verne

Unlock Your Career Potential with a University of La Verne Flexible, Comprehensive MBA

In today's career climate, the changing dynamics between businesses and business professionals reflect broader shifts toward current society, technology, and the greater global economy. To succeed in this new landscape, business professionals need to be adaptable, innovative, and socially responsible, while navigating the modern business world and delivering sustainable value to customers and stakeholders. A University of La Verne MBA prepares individuals to succeed by challenging them to meet these changing dynamics while meeting them where they are and where they want to be as professionals whether new to the field or looking to advance their careers.

The flexible and customizable MBA program allows students to choose a part-time or full-time path that best fits their needs and career goals. Students can choose from several areas of specialization, including accounting, finance, health services management, marketing, international business, information technology, supply chain management and more. There are various accessible class delivery options, including online, in-person, and hybrid, at several of the university's campus locations throughout California.

Students gain communication, teamwork, and leadership skills from faculty with diverse business backgrounds and learn problem-solving techniques that help them gain a strategic understanding of evolving functional and operational areas of business. Students also participate in hands-on, practical experiences valued as an essential learning component at the University of La Verne. Graduates have the ability to utilize information technology, allocate financial resources, design an effective organization, improve productivity, craft a strategic plan, and communicate effectively to enact change in today's new business climate.

The University of La Verne's Online MBA program was ranked top five in California by *Fortune* and among the best in the country by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Learn more at: laverne.edu/mba/mbax

Name of Institution University of La Verne

Name of Business School or Program College of Business

Business School Dean

Emmeline de Pillis, Ph.D. Dean and Professor of Management

Year Institution was Founded

Year Business School or Program was Started

1992

Total MBA Enrollment (all platforms offered)

MBA Platforms Offered

Full-Time, Part-Time, Evenings and Weekends, Online, On-Campus and Off-Campus

MBA Areas of Emphasis Offered

- Accounting
- Finance
- Health Services Management
- Healthcare Analytics
- Information Technology
- International Business
- Management and LeadershipMarketing
- Supply Chain Management

Length of Programs

18 - 36 months

Program Accreditations

WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)

Rankings

Best Online MBA Program, U.S. News & World Report 2023

Total Cost of MBA

\$935 per unit for 2022-23 academic year.

Required Testing

GMAT and GRE are recommended, but not required.

Upcoming Information Sessions

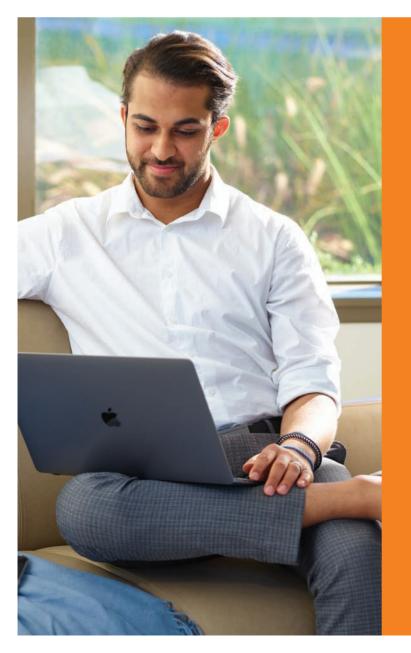
Visit laverne.edu/mba/mbax to learn more about the program and attend a virtual information session.

Application Deadlines

Rolling application deadlines with Fall 1&2, Spring 1&2, and Summer start terms.

Program Contact Information

Call (909) 448-4444 or email gradadmission@laverne.edu to contact an admissions representative.



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University of La Verne