

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO

Online, On Campus

- Bachelor of Business Administration

The University of Illinois at Chicago has informed the Illinois Board of Higher Education of its intent to offer the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree.

The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree program is proposed as a baccalaureate completion program offered by the College of Business Administration. This program, to be administered through the Global Campus, will bring access to a high-quality, online Bachelor's degree completion program developed and taught by faculty actively engaged in academic research to the people of Illinois and the world beyond.

The program will particularly benefit students engaged in their career who stopped their education before completing their Bachelor's degree, and will provide an additional point of access to the University of Illinois to students who have completed the first two years of a Bachelor's degree at a community or junior college. Through a well-planned business administration curriculum, students are prepared to plan, organize, direct, and control the many functions and processes of an organization.

The overall degree includes 60 hours of transfer credit and 60 hours of online coursework, and will be offered as a cohort program. The required core courses will be the same as those included in the College of Business Administration (CBA) on-campus Bachelor of Science programs. The other required coursework will be courses currently offered, but not required, in the on-campus programs. All of these courses have been developed, approved and successfully taught by the faculty in the College of Business Administration. The only new offering is a capstone course, similar to capstone courses offered in the existing BS programs offered in the College of Business Administration. The degree requirements also include 12 credit hours of "selective" coursework, which are specified when the student enters the program, but may vary over time, due to changing expectations in the business community.

It is currently estimated that, at its peak in two to three years, the BBA degree completion program is estimated to enroll 200 students per academic year.

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