

## Online MBA

### Program Objectives

The Fitchburg State online MBA program is deeply rooted in practical business experience. Classes are taught by a combination of full-time Fitchburg State faculty members and working professionals who are experts in their fields. This teaching model bridges the gap between theory and practice. The program is designed to give you greater efficiency in your current job, and help you open doors to future career advancement and greater income potential.

You'll acquire the knowledge and analytical skills you need to become an ethical decision maker who is socially responsible, sensitive to cultural diversity, and aware of broadening world markets. Upon completing the program, you will be prepared to lead creatively and effectively within any organization.

### Program Description

The Fitchburg State College Online MBA is a 10-course, 30-credit program with specialized tracks in Management and Human Resources. Courses are seven weeks long, taken consecutively, one course at a time, with breaks between courses. No matter where you live or what your schedule, you can earn a widely recognized and respected MBA online—as quickly as just 17 months.

The Fitchburg State College Online MBA program is asynchronous—which means you don't have to be at your computer at any particular time of the day or week. But you will need to maintain regular course participation each week and visit the course website on a regular basis.

Using our web-based Blackboard technology, you can access course material at your convenience, wherever and whenever you have an Internet connection. Our online course demo will give you confidence in your ability use the system before your course work begins. Technical support is available by phone 24/7.



### Admissions Resources

E-mail: [gceadvisor@fsc.edu](mailto:gceadvisor@fsc.edu)

Web site: [www.fsc.edu/gce](http://www.fsc.edu/gce)

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Virtual Advisor

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You will enter the MBA program with a cohort of your peers. Throughout the program, you will have opportunities to interact with fellow students from around the area, around the country and around the globe. This cohort learning format exposes you to diverse perspectives and approaches to issues you might not encounter in a local self-formed group. Although you may be hundreds or thousands of miles apart, you'll build relationships, share experiences and complete team projects in a virtual environment.

Cohort groups are intentionally kept small 20-25 students per class to provide maximum interaction with both peers and faculty. Instructors are readily available to collaborate with you on your progress as you work through the curriculum.

And when you complete the program, you are invited to participate in the graduation ceremony at Fitchburg State College so you can receive your degree with the rest of your class.

## Admission Standards & Criteria

Applicants to the Online MBA Program are accepted on a rolling admissions basis. Candidates meeting the college's admissions criteria are accepted as their files become complete. **Due to the cohort nature of the Online MBA Program, students are generally unable to take courses, within the program, until they have completed the graduate application process.**

To complete your application you will need:

- Official results of the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT). Students who have previously taken the GRE may submit those official scores. Applicants with a master's degree in another discipline are not required to submit GMAT scores.
- A GMAT score of not less than 400
- An undergraduate GPA of not less than 2.8
- A formula score of not less than 1,000  
Formula = (200 X undergraduate GPA) + GMAT score
- TOEFL scores for natives of non-English speaking countries  
Internet Based Test—score not less than 79  
Computer Based Test—score not less than 213  
Paper Based Test—score not less than 550
- Three letters of recommendation
- Professional resume
- Official transcript of a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Official transcripts of any graduate-level course work
- Application fee

International students studying in the U.S. on an F1 visa are not eligible to participate in this online degree program.

Applicants whose formula score is less than 1,000, but whose record exhibits promise in other ways, may be admitted. No more than 10 to 20 percent of MBA candidates are accepted under these circumstances.

## Program of Study

Note: Students with an undergraduate degree in business administration or equivalent prerequisites complete 30 credits for the MBA. Students who do not have an undergraduate degree in business may be required to take additional prerequisites. Life experience credit may be used for waiver of some of the prerequisites/foundation courses, based on evaluation and recommendation of a faculty committee.

## Library Services: The Amelia V. Gallucci-Cirio Library

The Library is located in the Hammond Building and provides daily services.

### Web Site

The Fitchburg State Library maintains a home page ([www.fsc.edu/library](http://www.fsc.edu/library)) on the Internet to provide information about the library such as hours, online reference services, research inquiries, and access to the library's catalog.

### Online Resources

The library maintains subscriptions to electronic journals and databases that include indexes and abstracts; access to thousands of electronic journals with full-text articles; reference titles; and relevant subject based web-sites. They are available from the library home page and from off campus.

### Materials Collection

The library houses an extensive collection of materials to support course work and faculty needs, including approximately 238,000 books, 1,000 print periodical subscriptions, and the complete ERIC document collection (online and microfilm).

### Reference Services

The reference desk provides service daily. You can also call the Reference Desk (978) 665-3223 or stop by the library for assistance.

## Management Track

MGMT 9040 Organizational Behavior & Development	3 S.H.
MGMT 9060 Management Information Systems	3 S.H.
MGMT 9160 Marketing Management	3 S.H.
MGMT 9170 Corporate Finance	3 S.H.
MGMT 9180 Accounting Practices for Managers	3 S.H.
MGMT 9500 Strategic Management	3 S.H.
MGMT 9050 HR Function & the Manager	3 S.H.
MGMT 9036 Accounting Information Systems	3 S.H.
MGMT 9450 Selected Topics in Management	3 S.H.
MGMT 9080 Management Theory & Process	3 S.H.
<b>Total</b>	<b>30 S.H.</b>

## Human Resources Track

MGMT 9040 Organizational Behavior & Development	3 S.H.
MGMT 9060 Management Information Systems	3 S.H.
MGMT 9160 Marketing Management	3 S.H.
MGMT 9170 Corporate Finance	3 S.H.
MGMT 9180 Accounting Practices for Managers	3 S.H.
MGMT 9500 Strategic Management	3 S.H.
MGMT 9050 HR Function & the Manager	3 S.H.
MGMT 9036 Accounting Information Systems	3 S.H.
MGMT 9450 Selected Topics in Management	3 S.H.
MGMT 9070 Legal Issues in HR Management	3 S.H.
<b>Total</b>	<b>30 S.H.</b>