# Application Checklist





#### **CONTRACT**

Applicants must have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university; have a minimum of two years of professional work experience (post-bachelor's degree) by the program's first day of class; show evidence of strong problem-solving and analytical skills; demonstrate academic strength, qualities of character, and motivation; and have strong written and oral communication skills.

The M.S. in Business Analytics is considered a non-residential program by U.S. government standards and therefore cannot provide F-1 visa sponsorship for international applicants who will require a student visa to enter or remain in the U.S.

#### ONLINE APPLICATION & FEE

Applicants must complete the online application and submit a non-refundable \$85 application fee.

#### **○ RESUME**

Applicants should upload a copy of their resume highlighting their background, experiences, and skills.

#### **O ESSAYS**

Applicants must complete two required essays and may choose to share additional information using the optional essay.

#### **O TRANSCRIPTS**

Academic transcripts and/or credential evaluations should be provided for all completed coursework along with proof of graduation from a bachelor's degree program. Unofficial copies of transcripts from every college or university you have attended may be used to apply for admission. Official transcripts from all degree-granting institutions must be submitted prior to matriculation.

#### INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

Applicants who completed coursework outside of the United States must submit a course-by-course credential evaluation of their official transcripts. Evaluations must be sent from the evaluator directly to the McIntire School of Commerce. For a list of credential evaluators, visit www.naces.org.

#### **O TEST SCORES**

A GMAT, GRE, or Executive Assessment (EA) exam score is not required to be considered for admission to the M.S. in Business Analytics Program. If you choose to apply without an exam score, please note that added emphasis will be placed on your prior academic performance and demonstrated quantitative, analytical, and/or written communication skills. If you choose to provide an exam score, please be sure to have your score(s) submitted to the McIntire School of Commerce using the following codes: GMAT or EA: KC7-K3-31, GRE: 5829

#### **O LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

One letter of recommendation is required, and we strongly advise that the letter come from a professional reference, preferably your current or former manager/supervisor. The most useful evaluations are from individuals who can speak to your strengths and areas for growth and development. Once your recommender is entered into the online application, they will be contacted to provide and submit a recommendation on your behalf.

#### **INTERVIEW**

Qualified applicants will be invited to interview after their application is reviewed by the admissions committee. Interviews play a critical role in our assessment of candidates and are required before acceptance into the program.



## TAKE THE FIRST STEP

**Application Deadline:** Please submit your application and supplemental materials by 11:59 p.m. ET. Deadlines and key dates are enclosed below. \*After June 5, 2024, applications will be considered on a space-available rolling basis through the final submission deadline of June 30, 2024.

APPLICATION DEADLINE	INTERVIEW COMPLETION DATE	DECISION NOTIFICATION
Nov. 5, 2023	Nov. 21, 2023	Dec. 12, 2023
Jan. 5, 2024	Jan. 19, 2024	Feb. 5, 2024
March 5, 2024	March 21, 2024	April 5, 2024
May 5, 2024	May 17, 2024	June 3, 2024
June 5, 2024*	June 19, 2024	June 28, 2024

**Interview Completion Date:** Qualified applicants will be invited to interview following a preliminary review of their application materials. If you are invited to interview, we ask that you please schedule and complete your interview by the Interview Completion Date for your round of submission. **Decision Notification Date:** Decisions will be posted to your M.S. in Business Analytics Application Status page and you will receive an email notification indicating that a final decision is available.

## **FUNDING GRADUATE SCHOOL**



#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Departmental scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$15,000. Scholarships are based on academic merit and/or financial need. Funding is limited and distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Please indicate on your application whether you wish to be considered for a scholarship.



#### **EMPLOYER-BASED TUITION ASSISTANCE**

Because the education that students receive in the MSBA is anticipated to produce immediate and direct results for employers, many students may receive some level of employer tuition assistance.



#### **FINANCIAL AID**

The University of Virginia Student Financial Services Office offers a wide range of services to help you pay for graduate school, including federal financial aid programs; need-based, private, and emergency loans; work-study; and resources to search for additional scholarships and grants. To apply for financial aid, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).



## **VETERANS' BENEFITS**

The UVA Office of the University Registrar is the liaison between students and the Department of Veterans Affairs for matters concerning education benefits available to veterans, service members, and their families. This office provides information and furnishes application forms on request.

## **CONNECT WITH US**



We offer a range of in-person and virtual events to include information sessions, class visits, panels and group chats, as well as personal consultation appointments, each thoughtfully designed to provide you with an opportunity to explore the program and engage with the Darden and McIntire communities. For a list of upcoming events, visit commcal.mcintire.virginia.edu/program/msba.

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