The MBA/MSA dual degree program is intended for students who wish to pursue a graduate business administration and accountancy degree jointly. When you meet the degree requirements for both programs, you’ll receive two graduate degrees, credentials that give you added value in the professional workforce. You’ll acquire an expertise in business core competencies and management skills and complete the accounting course requirements needed to be eligible to take the CPA exam.

The dual degree in business administration and accounting applies credits from 4 courses toward completion of two degrees at the same time, resulting in a significant savings in tuition and time than if each degree were earned separately.

Applicants for the dual degree program should submit a single application to the Edgewood College MBA program. Admission requirements for the MBA and the MSA are identical. Students should meet with an advisor to declare their intention to pursue an MBA/MSA Dual Degree and plan their degree completion plan.

Current Edgewood College students enrolled in either the individual MBA or MSA programs who wish to add the dual degree should meet with their advisor to formulate a degree plan that will meet the requirements of both degrees.

“I chose Edgewood College for my MBA because of its educational reputation and community dedication. I knew I would get to know other students and professors who thought that ethics, community, and purpose were paramount to all programs offered. The classroom discussions and group work was engaging and thought provoking, bringing the book material to life in a real way. I found that I was able to apply just about every class I took in some way during my work day. I truly believe that applying what I was learning helped me advance in my career and my experience and knowledge that I gained makes me a better leader.”

Kim Sponem, MBA ’09
CEO & President, Summit Credit Union
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Provide evidence of a baccalaureate or more advanced degree from a United States regionally accredited or equivalent post-secondary institution with a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for regular admission status. The cumulative grade point average is computed on the highest degree held at the time of application to the Edgewood College graduate program.

2. Complete and submit graduate application (including $30 fee) to Graduate and Professional Studies.

3. Request that official transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate academic credits received from any post-secondary institutions be sent directly to Graduate and Professional Studies.

4. Provide two letters of recommendation from college or university professors, supervisors, and/or professional colleagues who can focus on the probability of your success in graduate school.

5. Submit a written statement listing the reasons why you think you will be successful in graduate school; cite how specific background experiences will aid in your success as a student.

6. Suggested: Two years of relevant professional work experience.

7. Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Exam (GRE) (with score converted to comparable GMAT) score of at least 430. The GMAT or GRE requirement may be waived if the applicant meets one or more of the following criteria:
   A. Five or more years of relevant professional experience AND a GPA of at least 3.25 overall or on the last 60 credits
   B. A Bachelor of Business Administration or Bachelor of Science degree in Business from Edgewood College AND a GPA overall or on the last 60 credits of at least 3.25
   C. Current, active military or former military personnel, or veteran, honorably discharged. Veterans are considered those who have served at least 180 days of active duty (not including training) or who have been injured and determined to have a disability before 180 days. (Does not include those who served the length of their term in the National Guard or Reserves without being activated at any time.)

For GMAT review and study assistance, visit: www.princetonreview.com or www.kaplan.com. Students must call 1-800-717-4628 (GMAT) or go online at www.MBA.com to register for the test. Enter the name of the school and city. Madison Testing Center, Pearson Professional Center, 8517 Excelsior Drive, Madison, WI 53717, 608-833-39918.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the MBA/MSA dual degree, candidates must meet all of the Prerequisite Requirements of both the MBA and Master of Science in Accountancy programs. A total of 55 credits are required to complete the MBA/MSA Dual Degree program.

Four “overlap” courses are applied simultaneously toward completion of each degree program:

- BUS 601 – Executive Communication
- BUS 603 – Organizational Behavior
- BUS 604 – Operations Management
- BUS 616 – Business Ethics or PHI 606 Professional Ethics

Courses required to complete the remainder of the MBA degree include:

- BUS 602 – Accounting for Managers*
- BUS 605 – Statistics for Managers
- BUS 607 – Corporate Finance
- BUS 609 A&B – MBA Capstone I and II

MBA Elective Component

Two non-accounting elective courses (6 credits) are required.

Courses required to complete the remainder of the MSA degree include:

- BUS 725 - Accounting Systems
- BUS 723 – Law II
- BUS 726 – Advanced Accounting 1
- BUS 727 – Advanced Accounting 2
- BUS 756 – Fraud and Forensic Accounting
- BUS 798 – Strategic Financial Management

Both degrees must be obtained at Edgewood College. Separate MBA and MSA degrees are conferred, and can be conferred at different times. The first degree may be conferred when all requirements of that degree (when viewed as a stand-alone) are satisfied.

All Edgewood College residency requirements, time limit, and transfer credit policies apply.

*If the MSA is completed first, the student may substitute another graduate BUS course.