MBA and Graduate Business Programs

The graduate business programs at the Lorry I. Lokey School of Business and Public Policy educate ethical and socially responsible organizational leaders who have the strategic perspective, analytic abilities, business knowledge, and leadership and management skills to deliver strong financial performance while mindfully making a positive impact on society and the environment. Being part of a School of Business and Public Policy gives students a unique opportunity to explore issues from multiple perspectives.

The business programs emphasize the four pillars of social responsibility and shared value: ethical decision-making and governance, social and community accountability, diversity and inclusion, and environmental sustainability. These values are integrated throughout our curriculum, our co-curricular activities and our partnerships with organizations that share similar values. Throughout the curriculum, our faculty emphasizes real-world applications and learning from both theory and practice.

Our school was founded to prepare women for business leadership, and today we have a vibrant community that welcomes all genders. Our business programs are distinguished among graduate business schools by the rich diversity of identities, experiences, and perspectives of our students. Mills is an important source of talent for employers seeking to strengthen diversity within their managerial and leadership levels.

To accommodate working professionals, all required business courses are offered in late afternoon or evening time slots at least once during each academic year.

We offer a range of degree options:

MBA
Complete an MBA degree in two years of full-time study or two to four years part time.

One-Year MBA
Students who have completed substantial business course work at other institutions can complete the MBA in one year of full-time study.

Master of Management
This one-year degree enables students to tailor their coursework to their specific goals, without the breadth of the MBA.

MPP/MBA
The Lorry I. Lokey School of Business and Public Policy offers a joint MBA/MPP designed to prepare students to lead and manage organizations in the public, nonprofit, and private sectors.

MBA/MA in Educational Leadership
The joint MBA/MA prepares educational leaders and managers for success by giving them knowledge of both educational processes and dynamics, and strategic business and management skills. The degree helps graduates confront the complex challenges of the rapidly changing educational landscape.

Learning Outcomes

- Identify opportunities and frame problems in order to make effective real-world decisions in complex, dynamic environments.
- Possess analytical and quantitative skills developed through rigorous course work including economics, accounting, quantitative methods, and finance.
- Develop the leadership and communication skills needed to successfully manage individuals and teams in multicultural and diverse organizations.
- Deliver enterprise-wide value by integrating their knowledge of various functional areas of an organization, including marketing, accounting, information systems, finance, and operations.
- Commit to integrating ethical considerations into their management decisions and fostering ethical decision-making throughout their organizations.
- Lead and manage organizations that thrive financially while generating social and environmental value.

Programs

Master's Degrees

MBA (https://catalog.mills.edu/graduate/programs/mba/full-time-part-time-mba-)
One-Year MBA (https://catalog.mills.edu/graduate/programs/mba/one-year-mba/)
Master of Management (https://catalog.mills.edu/graduate/programs/mba/mm/)

Joint Degrees

Joint MPP/MBA (https://catalog.mills.edu/graduate/joint-degree-programs/joint-mppmba/)
Joint MBA/MA in Educational Leadership (https://catalog.mills.edu/graduate/joint-degree-programs/joint-mbama-educational-leadership/)

Accelerated Degrees

BA/MBA (https://catalog.mills.edu/undergraduate/accelerated-degree-programs/bamba-accelerated-degree/)
BA/MM (https://catalog.mills.edu/undergraduate/accelerated-degree-programs/bamm-accelerated-degree/)
BA/Joint MPP/MBA (https://catalog.mills.edu/undergraduate/accelerated-degree-programs/joint-mppmba-accelerated-degree-program/)
Fast Track Business Degrees for UC Berkeley Students (https://catalog.mills.edu/graduate/programs/mba/fast-track-business-degrees-uc-berkeley-students/)