Admission

Applicants to the PhD program in business administration must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate College; see the Manual of Rules and Regulations on the Graduate College website.

Applicants must take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test or the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) and have their scores sent to the university in order to be considered for admission. The Departments of Business Analytics, Finance, Management and Entrepreneurship, and Marketing accept test scores for either the GRE or GMAT. The Department of Accounting accepts only GMAT scores. Required scores on these tests and their weight in admission decisions vary by department.

Applicants whose first language is not English must submit official test scores to verify English proficiency. Applicants can verify English proficiency by submitting official test scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test, or the Duolingo English Test (DET) and have their scores sent to the University of Iowa. An IELTS total score of at least 7.0 with no subscore below 6.0 or a minimum score of at least 105 on the Duolingo English Test satisfies the English language requirement. Applicants who use the IELTS or Duolingo tests are required to take the on-campus English Proficiency Evaluation.

Admission is for fall entry. Completed applications should be submitted as early as possible and no later than the following deadlines.

- Accounting: Jan. 15
- Business Analytics: Jan. 15
- Finance: Jan. 15
- Management and Entrepreneurship: Dec. 15
- Marketing: Jan. 15

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