# **Master of Business Administration**

A Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree helps students cultivate a skill set that is applicable to a wide variety of health careers, including medical practice, healthcare organizational leadership, hospital management, and pharmaceutical work. The MBS/MBA dual degree combines a broad-based program in the biomedical sciences with professional study in health sector management and administration. Graduates have the knowledge and business skills to balance changing healthcare resources and patient needs, making them competitive for medical school admissions and future careers.

# MBS/MBA Program Overview

Students interested in the MBS/MBA dual degree program enroll in the MBA Program during the summer following the successful completion of their MBS coursework. During the first summer, they take MBA courses with Tufts MD/MBA students and then continue at Brandeis University doing coursework with MBA students during the fall and spring semesters. They complete their MBA degree the following summer.

Students in the MBS/MBA program, or those planning to be in the pathway, must enroll in Biostatistics during the spring semester of their first year in the MBS program. Their studies continue for a second year, during which they complete the MBS thesis and MBA requirements. MBS students undertake the literature-based thesis and complete their thesis by August 1 of their second year in the program.

Upon completion of the MBS/MBA program, graduates will receive two diplomas: one from Tufts University for the MS in Biomedical Sciences and one from Brandeis University for the Master of Business Administration.





# **MBA Curriculum**

## **Year 1 Summer (12 credits)**

- Operations Management
- Financial Accounting
- Economic Analysis for Managers

### **Year 2 Fall (18 credits)**

- Leadership & Organizational Behavior
- Issues on National Health Policy
- Health Care Management
- Elective

## **Year 2 Spring (18 credits)**

- Managerial Accounting
- Strategic Management
- Financial Management
- Team Consulting Project
- TPC Workshop

#### **Year 2 Summer (14 credits)**

- Corporate Finance
- Marketing
- Health Law and Ethics
- Healthcare Technology and Information Systems

# **Admissions Process and Requirements**

Interested students may apply to the MBS/MBA program either at the same time they are applying for the MBS program (before they have enrolled) or during the spring semester of their first or second year in the MBS program.

## **Applying Prior to Enrollment**

Students applying to the MBS/MBA program as new students should follow all instructions and deadlines to apply for the stand-alone MBS program. In the application, students can choose to apply to the dual degree, and will be notified of their admission to both programs at the same time. Enrollment in the MBA portion of the program is contingent upon successful completion of the first year of MBS coursework.

## Applying as an Enrolled MBS Student

Students who are currently enrolled in the MBS program may apply to join the MBS/MBA program during the spring of their first year in the program. To do so, they must submit a short application to the combined degree program by March 15. The short application requires students to provide an updated resume, a short essay, and one new letter of recommendation (usually from their MBS advisor). These materials are combined with the students MBS application from the prior year for review for admission to the MBS/MBA program. Admissions decisions for this cohort will be released in late-March or early-April.



Brandeis University's Heller School for Social Policy and Management was established in 1959 to provide professional, doctoral education in the field of social policy. Since 1977, a masters degree program has prepared managers for human services positions in both the public and private sectors, combining cutting-edge management training with social policy.

# **Questions?**

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