



# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

## Developing Future IT Leaders

Our top-ranked Chapman Graduate School of Business in the College of Business Administration at Florida International University delivers a unique Master of Science in Management Information Systems (MSMIS) program, a graduate Information Systems and Technology program designed with guidance from the top IT professionals and CIOs in South Florida. The courses are taught by world-renowned faculty. Students can choose various career IT paths such as project manager, e-commerce developer, systems analyst and designer, network and security administrator, business intelligence analyst, IT manager, CIO, and database architect.

### Highlights

To better prepare you to become an outstanding IT professional, our twelve-month program offers you an integrated curriculum that combines both technical and IT management skills, including management of the IS function, database management, systems analysis and design, project management, and business intelligence. This combined business-focused and technical approach enables you to understand the complexities of today's most critical business systems and to manage your organization's IT resources to produce the best results.

### Unique Features

- Complete the program in 12 months.
- Acquire a unique combination of technical and IT management skills.
- Learn high-demand technologies such as Rational, SAP, .Net, Java, UML, XML.
- Gain hands-on application experience in computer technology labs.
- Build a future network of highly-qualified professionals and peers in the IT field.
- Improve your soft skills by taking mandatory professional development seminars focused on leadership, team-building skills, oral and written presentation skills, and career preparation.

### Schedule

- Program requires 36 credit hours (2 courses per 8-week session) of coursework.
- Fall (August) start of the program —classes meet on Saturdays for a full day on main MM Campus
- Spring (January) start of the program —classes meet on Tuesdays and Thursday from 5:30-10:00PM at FIU Downtown Center

### Curriculum

Web Management	Business Intelligence Applications
Database Management	E-commerce Management
Management of the IS Function	Special Topics in MIS
Enterprise Information Systems	Information Security
Business Process Design	Systems Analysis & Design
Project Management of IS	IS Policy & Strategy
Professional Development Seminars	

### Admission Requirements

To be eligible for admission to the MSMIS program, prospective students must:

1. Hold a four year Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
2. Be in good standing with all previously-attended colleges and universities.
3. Meet either one of the two following options:

*Achieve a minimum score of 500 on the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or a score of 1000 (combination of verbal and quantitative) on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) and have earned a minimum 3.0 grade point average (GPA) in undergraduate study.*

or

*Have a minimum of four years of professional experience in the IT (Information Technology) field and have earned a minimum 3.0 grade point average (GPA) in undergraduate study.*

4. If applicant is an international student whose native language is not English, he or she also must have achieved a minimum score of 550 on the paper-based TOEFL, 213 on the computer-based TOEFL, or 80 on an internet-based TOEFL; or 6.5 overall score of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS).
5. Since the MSMIS program is very demanding, preference will be given to applicants with an IS background.

### Prerequisites

Students should have minimum knowledge in the following: introductory level programming language, HTML, introduction to databases, Microsoft Office, internet & web browsers. Students with no background in programming are strongly encouraged to gain some familiarity with an object oriented programming language (e.g., Java or Visual Basic) prior to the start of the program.

### Application Deadlines

#### To begin in the Spring Term (January)

September 1 Last day for international students to submit a graduate application.

October 1 Last day for international students to submit all supporting academic credentials, appropriate test scores, and Declaration of Finances. Last day for US applicants to submit a graduate application and supporting credentials.

#### To begin in the Fall Term (August)

April 1 Last day for international students to submit a graduate application.

June 1 Last day for international students to submit all supporting academic credentials, appropriate test scores, and Declaration of Finances. Last day for US applicants to submit a graduate application and supporting credentials.

## Application Procedures

To apply for admission to the MSMIS Program, applicants should submit the following to:

MSMIS Program  
Chapman Graduate School of Business  
Florida International University  
College of Business Complex - CBC 214  
11200 SW 8th Street  
Miami, Florida 33199

- 1) Graduate Application for Admission, along with non-refundable application fee of \$30.00 in US dollars. Applications can be completed at <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/admissions.html>
  - 2) Official transcripts from all previously attended colleges and/or universities. Transcripts must be sent directly to the Chapman Graduate School Admissions by all formerly attended institutions in a sealed university envelope.
  - 3) Official proof of degree: a notarized copy of the original diploma is required if the degree is not posted on the official transcripts.
  - 4) Official GMAT (Minimum score is 500) or GRE score (Combined verbal & quantitative scores must equal a minimum of 1000). The official score must be sent directly by Educational Testing Service (ETS). **FIU's university code is: 5206.**
  - 5) Resume
  - 6) Statement of purpose  
There is not a minimum or maximum word or page count. The document should outline your objectives in pursuing this graduate degree.
  - 7) Recommendation letters (Optional)
- International applicants and applicants who did not obtain a degree in the U.S.** should submit all of the documents above and in addition, those listed below.
- 8) If official transcripts are not in English, a second copy of the transcript must be requested from previously attended institutions for translation by an official translation agency. The official translation as well as the requested official copy of the transcript must be submitted.
  - 9) Official TOEFL score (minimum score is 213 on computer-based, 550 on paper-based, or 80 on internet-based test) or official IELTS score (minimum score is 6.5). The official score must be sent directly by Educational Testing Service (ETS). **FIU's university code is: 5206.**
  - 10) Declaration of Finances—has to reflect \$52,000  
This form can be downloaded from [http://gradschool.fiu.edu/downloads/Declaration\\_of\\_Finances.doc](http://gradschool.fiu.edu/downloads/Declaration_of_Finances.doc)
  - 11) Bank letter (on official bank letterhead and in the envelope of the bank) has to reflect \$52,000. Funds must be in a checking or savings account. If not denoted in U.S. dollars, the letter must indicate exchange rate amount. If not in English, the letter has to be officially translated into English.
  - 12) Sponsor letter (if applicable)

Only those applicants who have submitted complete application packets will be considered. Meeting the minimum requirements is not a guarantee of admissions.

## Financial Assistance

Limited number of partial, merit-based scholarships is available for most qualified students. For more information please contact MSMIS program office.

## Fees

The total cost of tuition for Florida residents is approximately \$25,798 and for non-residents and international students is \$29,398.

Tuition for the MSMIS program for the 2011-2012 academic year is \$2,149.85 per course for Florida-residents and \$2,449.85 per course for non-residents and international students.

Once you are accepted into the program, you will be required to submit a \$875 residency fee, which will be applied toward the fees for the first semester in the program. All fees are subject to change.

## Advisory Board

The MSMIS Program has an Advisory Board of prominent IT executives. The 20-25 member board plays a strategic role in the direction of the program as well as in formulating the curricula, assisting in the marketing and promotion of the program, and in mentoring graduate students.

They are the IT leaders from IBM, Visa International, Citrix Systems, Telefonica USA, Miami Dolphins, Deloitte Consulting LLP, Miami-Dade County, 3Com Corporation, FIU, Burger King, Norwegian Cruise Line, University of Miami, Ryder System, Bacardi, FPL Fibernet, etc.

## Career Services

The Career Management Services staff offers high-quality, accessible, and well-coordinated services and provides information designed to help you achieve career success. Workshops cover topics such as writing resumes, preparing for and handling the job interview, developing job search strategies, and effective networking. In addition, the office provides self-assessment tools, individual advising, resume referral, and on-campus interviews for internships and permanent positions. Career Management Services works closely with employers to develop relationships that ensure you have access to many employment opportunities.

Leading organizations recognize the value of MSMIS graduates: Burger King, Carnival Cruise Lines, Walt Disney Company, Florida Power & Light, Hewlett Packard, IBM Corporation, Miami-Dade County, Ocean Bank, Cordis Corporation, Baptist Health South Florida, Lockheed Martin and others.

## More Information

For more information about the Master of Science in Management Information Systems program, please contact our office.

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