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The MAB program as currently configured is not designed as an at a distance program. However, two of the courses AAEC 5310 (Advanced Market Analysis) and AAEC 5318 (Finance and the Agribusiness Sector) can be taken at a distance. In addition, AAEC 5000 (Professional Internship) is accomplished at an internship site. Given this, two of the four semesters in the program could be completed at a distance.

Minimum Requirements

A key issue in applying to the MAB is whether you can meet the program requirements. Items considered are: (a) undergraduate GPA and courses taken, (b) GRE/GMAT scores, (c) letters of recommendation, (d) statement of purpose and (e) the application form. Information from each of these sources provides key indicators if you would successfully complete the MAB program. It would generally be expected that you have over a 3.0 GPA from undergraduate work and have earned above 50% of those taking on the GRA/GMAT. Your overall package would be evaluated to consider if you will be able to successfully complete the program, and area(s) of relative strength can offset area(s) of strength.

Prerequisites

The MAB has a number of courses that contain a fairly high level of quantitative rigor in mathematics, economics, business and statistics. As such, students entering the program will need to take leveling courses so that they will be able to successfully complete the courses. The basic prerequisites include calculus, advanced statistics, accounting, and intermediate microtheory. The courses do not have to be completed at Texas Tech, but if taken from another source should be reasonably consistent with the Texas Tech courses.

MAB Careers

An important consideration in any degree is the positions and careers that the degree enables. Completing the MAB shows to future employers an ability to understand complex agribusiness situations and develop appropriate analytical information sets for solutions. In addition, the internship component provides students the opportunity to apply these skills in a professional context. Students completing the program have had a number of strong career opportunities to choose from.

Part-Time

Most students working in the program are full-time students. However, students can complete the program on a part-time basis.