



PROFESSIONAL MASTER'S IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION JAMAICA PROGRAM

Program Information Sheet

The **Florida International University Professional MBA** is offered by the Chapman Graduate School of Business, FIU, in partnership with University of the Commonwealth Caribbean (UCC). The **FIU PMBA-Jamaica** features a leading-edge curriculum that enhances business knowledge and strengthens leadership qualities and is specifically designed for busy management professionals who seek an MBA degree on a convenient schedule.

FIU College of Business is ranked #15 in graduate international business programs in the U.S. (*U.S. News & World Report*) and the Chapman Graduate School is ranked in the top 15% of accredited Business Schools in the U.S. (*Business Week*). **UCC is the ONLY institution to offer the FIU PMBA program in the Caribbean.**

DURATION

16 months - Commencing in Summer 2018 (Orientation takes place before the start of classes.)

CLASS STRUCTURE:

Lectures will be conducted via a blended modality - **Face-to-Face and Online classes** - on Saturday nights and Sundays at the UCC Worthington Avenue Campus.

- Online classes: 8-week consecutive classes (Online classes have no break periods (excluding Christmas break and other Public holidays as indicated on the schedule). Online class times will be done via Adobe Connect (class times and dates are to be confirmed)
- Face-to-face classes are conducted for 4 weeks each out of every 8-week (online class) cycle. Face-to-face class times: Saturdays 6:30pm – 10:00pm; Sundays 8:00am – 2:00pm (Light coffee-break @ 11:00am)

PROGRAM INSTRUCTION:

Instruction will be provided by full-time faculty from the FIU campus in Miami, Florida. All courses are facilitated by excellent FIU faculty with strong academic credentials and hands-on experience.

TUITION/ FEES:

The total cost for the program is now US \$21,000.00* - subject to change. **A US \$500.00 non-refundable deposit** is required upon acceptance to the program. Payment of the balance can be made in instalments in accordance with the Approved Payment Schedule.

ACCREDITATION:

The FIU College of Business has **AACSB accreditation**. AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) provides internationally recognized, specialized accreditation for business and accounting programs at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels. AACSB Accreditation is known, worldwide, as the longest standing, most recognized form of specialized/professional accreditation an institution and its business programs can earn. (*AACSB International website*)

FINANCING

Loan financing is available for the program. Applicants may apply for loans through the following institutions:

- NCB Ja. Ltd
- COK Co-operative Credit Union Ltd
- Sagicor

Applicants may also apply to any other reputable lending institution that provides loans for graduate studies. Please note that the UCC does not offer funding for this program.

N.B. Interim payments should be negotiated with UCC Student Financial Services until loans are finalised.

PROGRAM FEATURES:

FIU & UCC offer the following attractive features in your program:

- Web Based (Blackboard)
- Access to on-line libraries
- Tutorials for quantitative modules
- Wireless Connection in classrooms
- Office hours with FIU faculty by appointment
- Business Career Management / Professional Development Services (non-credit workshops and advisement) included in the program

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants must comply with the following admission conditions:

- Have earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Have earned an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher in all upper division course work**
- Have 4 or more years of professional experience**
- Obtain two letters of recommendation from either faculty members at institution attended for your undergraduate degree, professional supervisors/managers or business associates
- Complete a personal interview and submit a one-page essay on their motivation to attend the program

In selecting participants, the Admissions Committee considers the following:

- Demonstrated professional experience and effectiveness
- Potential for significant growth
- Ability to do graduate work in business
- Ability to contribute to the study team and to class participation
- Maturity and motivation
- Ability and willingness to make a 16-month commitment

All Participants are required to have a laptop for the program.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals interested in applying for admission to the program should submit the following:

- FIU Application for Graduate Degree Program. The application is to be completed online at <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/admissions.shtml>. **It is important to advise the Director/Coordinator of the submission date and reference # once you have completed the application online.**
- Sealed Official transcript(s) from every college/university attended
- An up-to-date Resume
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- A one-page essay (Statement of Purpose)
- A non-refundable US\$30 application fee (credit card payment online or US \$ draft payable to FIU)

**Part scholarships/tuition waivers may be available to some students. Conditions apply. Details will be provided upon request.*

*** Applicants with a GPA of less than 3.0 but with more than 4 years working experience may be considered. Where applicant does not have the 3.0 GPA or above or at least 4 years working experience, he/she may be admitted to the program via GMAT/GRE exam scores.*

Please note that the information contained herein is accurate at the time of printing but is subject to amendment at any time.

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