On average, it takes 2 weeks for us to receive official GMAT scores. You are welcome to submit unofficial scores via email, but applications will not be formally reviewed without official scores.

GMAT / GRE Minimums

There are no minimum GMAT or GRE scores required for application to our graduate programs. Applicants are encouraged to meet overall graduate program GMAT averages (500 - 630) but all application materials are evaluated to determine the strength of the application. Key evaluation points include GPA, GMAT / GRE, rigor of undergraduate upper division course work, demonstrated leadership potential, articulated desire to pursue the program (essay) and quality of recommendations.

SPRING 2013 APPLICATION DEADLINES

MSIS Scholarship Round: October 1, 2012

Decision Notification: October 29, 2012

Rolling Admissions Applications will continue to be considered after the Scholarship Round based on space availability. An additional $30 fee will be charged for any application submitted after November 1, 2012. Decision Notification: Approximately 4 weeks after application submission

International applicants

Last date to apply is September 15, 2012

Decision Notification: October 29, 2012

FALL 2013 APPLICATION DEADLINES

MSIS Scholarship Round: March 1, 2013

Decision Notification: April 12, 2013

Rolling Admissions Applications will continue to be considered after the Scholarship Round based on space availability. An additional $30 fee will be charged for any application submitted after March 31, 2013.

Decision Notification: Approximately 4 weeks after application submission

International applicants

Last date to apply is March 1, 2013

Decision Notification: April 12, 2013

If you need additional information, please contact us. Graduate Admissions, 801-581-7785

As part of the online application, you are required to upload a current professional resume. PDF or Word documents up to 600kb are accepted.

Recommended Electives – 12 credits from any category

MS 6350 Mobile Applications

IS 6240 Database Structure and Java

DS 6270 Data Warehousing

IS 6245 Advanced Data Management

IS 6246 Web Analytics

IS 6250 Data Analysis and Decision Making

CSC 5205 Introduction to Data Mining

CSC 5240 Business Process Simulation

CSC 5245 Six Sigma for Managers

OIS 6610 Practical Management Science

OIS 6620 Project Management

OIS 6630 Supply Chain Management

Areas of Expertise:

- Web/Development
- Data Management and Analytics
- Security
- Operations Management

As the Information Systems curriculum evolves, elective offerings may vary by year. Please note that these are not formal concentrations. Rather, these areas are guidelines designed to aid students in picking classes that pertain to their IT interests. Additionally, students have the option to choose any combination of elective classes across any of the areas of expertise.

Estimated tuition/fees for the MSIS Program are as follows:

- Full-Time / Resident / 3 Semesters: $22,000
- Part-Time / Resident / 5 Semesters: $23,800

Students can take as many or as few classes as needed to fit the program into their lifestyle and schedule.

Decision notification: October 12, 2013

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Program Description

The David Eccles School of Business Master of Science in Information Systems (MSIS) program is designed to provide advanced IT training for individuals seeking the skills necessary to manage the technology of business.

The MSIS program offers students advanced graduate specializations in a variety of today's hottest IT fields, including:

- Mobile applications
- Business intelligence
- IT security
- Systems analysis and design
- Project management
- Web analytics
- Database administration

Each specialization offers University of Utah students a unique advantage that will prepare them for high-level leadership positions in major corporations.

Degree Requirements:

- 30 credit hours
- 18 core credits
- 12 elective credits

Program Format

The MSIS program at the University of Utah is offered in a full-time and part-time format. Students can take as many or as few classes as needed to fit the program into their lifestyle and schedule.

Part-Time – The MSIS program can be taken in a part-time format, which takes on average three semesters to complete.

Part-Time – The MSIS program can also be taken in a part-time format to meet the needs of working students. All necessary classes are offered in this format. Each student can have their full-time job. The part-time program takes an average of five to six semesters to complete.

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Program Highlights

1) Flexible Class Schedule
The MSIS program gives students the option to complete all classes in the evening, making the program work for any schedule.

2) Education Relevant to the IS Job Market
One of the most significant benefits of our MSIS program is the continued evolution of the program curriculum. We keep a careful pulse on the IT industry, and students to ensure that classes and topics covered are current and will keep you competitive in the job market. Classes cover a broad range of topics including mobile applications, business intelligence, IT security, system analysis and design, project management, web analytics, networking, and database administration. The comprehensive curriculum provides students with marketable and in-demand skills, designed to improve job opportunities upon graduation.

3) Gateway to High Growth Industry
As job security becomes more important, a degree from the David Eccles School of Business in the Information Systems program answers. For current students, the LinkedIn group is a great resource for insight about the program and have some of your questions regarding MSIS students, as well as alumni, industry partners, and MSIS staff. As a prospective student, this is a great forum to gain first-hand insight about the program and have some of your questions regarding the program answered. For current students, the LinkedIn group is a platform to actively engage with fellow classmates, share job postings, form capstone groups, and network with the IS community. Request an invitation at http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=3989225.

The top 5 certifications currently being pursued by students are the CCNA, MCITP/ MCT, CAPM, CompTIA series, and the LPIC.

The curriculum includes a capstone project, which students work on over multiple semesters during the program. Graduates leave the program with hands-on, real-world experience that is valuable in the marketplace.

All MSIS students are given Microsoft Developer Network Academic Alliance (MSDNAA) access while enrolled at the University of Utah.

The tech market is rapidly growing in Utah, and nationally recognized companies are acknowledging the growth by moving here. Companies such as eBay, Adobe, Goldman Sachs, and EMC have headquarters only minutes away from the University of Utah, meaning our graduates have more local job opportunities than ever.

The following companies are actively hiring and engaged in recruiting out MSIS students:

- Intermountain Healthcare
- eBay
- Adobe
- Oracle
- Goldman Sachs
- iContact
- SP5
- Backcountry.com
- TEK Systems
- Ampal
- STG
- LDS Church
- Overstock.com
- Western Governors University
- Discover
- Zions Bank
- eVault
- Academy Mortgage
- Usana
- Various small organizations

4) Access to Opportunity
The MSIS program is designed to provide students with the skills and competitive advantage they need to be successful in the IT industry. We understand there is more to life than what is taught in the classroom. In addition to the high caliber academics the MSIS program offers, we also strive to provide a variety of networking opportunities to encourage student engagement, learning, and growth.

Networking: We recognize that networking is one of the most powerful tools in finding and securing a great job, which is why it is one of the primary focuses for the MSIS program. One of the greatest networking resources you will find are your fellow students. With the average professional work experience of our students at almost 6 years, each of your peers serves to expand your personal network and enrich your reliance on feedback from industry recruiters and students.

We encourage students to join us in the University of Utah Program LinkedIn group. This group is open to current and prospective MSIS students, as well as alumni, industry partners, and MSIS staff. As a prospective student, this is a great forum to gain first-hand insight about the program and have some of your questions regarding the program answered. For current students, the LinkedIn group is a platform to actively engage with fellow classmates, share job postings, form capstone groups, and network with the IS community. Request an invitation at http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=3989225.

Advisory Board: Senior-level executives form our advisory board. This select group of industry leaders helps design our curriculum, ensuring that the program is relevant to the MSIS industry, expand our program network, and provide incredible exposure to the industry for students.

MSIS Capstone Project
MSIS students work over multiple semesters on a capstone project. This project is required for graduation and grades account for a total of 3 credits core curriculum credits. It also satisfies the MSIS degree science requirement. Graduates leave the program with hands-on, real-world experience that is valuable in the marketplace. Students form two-to-five person teams, and design a project that benefits either the University of Utah or an outside organization. Past graduates have worked with companies including Blue Coat Systems, the Digital Ranch, and Qaztek on projects that deliver real results and lasting impact. To learn more about our graduates’ capstone projects, please visit our website at www.business.utah.edu.

TEK Information Systems Club
TEK club is open to all students with an interest in the intersection of business and technology. The club provides its members with the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of IS-related activities throughout the year. These activities are designed to help members increase their understanding of IS careers, develop IS skills, get to know others in the IS field, and prepare for a successful job search. Specific examples include skill and career workshops, state and national competitions, company visits, and networking events. Industry leaders work with the club to provide information about the latest technology and career trends.

Elective Highlights
Mobile Applications: IS 6850-001 Understanding the fundamentals of mobile software and development is vital to a successful career in Information Systems. This course examines the software behind mobile applications, giving students hands-on exposure in building and web native device applications.

Web Analytics: IS 6850-002 This course focuses on tracking web site activity through JavaScript web beacons and analyzing the resultant data to optimize a web site. Students will be given access to an enterprise class web analytics tools called Adobe SiteCatalyst. We will also focus on implementation and coding, only rudimentary HTML knowledge is required.

Program Corequisites
IS 4410 / Introduction to Information Systems

Program Scholarships
All admitted students are given the opportunity to apply for merit-based financial aid. Notification of how to apply for scholarships and graduate assistantships will be provided with admission to the program. No separate application process is necessary at the application stage.

Other forms of financial aid are available for domestic graduate students. Please call the University Financial Aid and Scholarships Office at 801-581-4221 or visit http://www.sa.utah.edu/financial/.

IT Leadership Status Application
The GMAT/GRE requirement may be waived for applicants who have five or more years of IT management or subject matter expertise. The MSIS Program Director will make all evaluations on whether candidates meet IT Leadership status. The School of Business application, recommendations and essays are still required for IT Leadership Applicants. To request IT Leadership consideration, please e-mail mastersinfo@business.utah.edu. Please include your professional resume.

The capstone project was one of the best learning experiences I’ve ever had. It was the first time that I got to work on a university project that was applicable to a real world setting. I also met some great people who are now both great professional contacts and great friends. The knowledge, experience, and networking were all great reasons to complete the program, and the best part was that I started experiencing the benefits of having a master’s degree immediately after graduation.” – Chris Cardoza, Class of 2011; Vault-Rated, 3.65.