DUAL MSAT/MBA DEGREE PROGRAM

CAREER-FOCUSED BUSINESS EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD
BARNEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
If you are interested in earning both the Master of Science in Accounting and Taxation (MSAT) and the Master of Business Administration (MBA) degrees, you may apply to be admitted to the Dual MSAT/MBA Degree program. You must meet the admission criteria for each program, and complete the degree requirements in the usual manner, with the exception of the number of electives and certain prerequisite overlap.

Anyone who meets all the accounting prerequisites and is waived from the MBA core classes can complete the dual degree with 54 credit hours. Students who need to complete the accounting prerequisites and/or the MBA core classes will add them to their program. With increasing demand for employees with both financial and management background, the Dual MSAT/MBA Degree program provides an opportunity to earn both degrees in an efficient manner. The Dual MSAT/MBA Degree program may be completed on a full- or part-time basis.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

The following items are required:

» An online application at [www.hartford.edu/grad-apply](http://www.hartford.edu/grad-apply)

» A non-refundable application fee of $50.00 for domestic applicants

» Official transcripts for all collegiate-level coursework

» A letter of intent as specified in the application form

» Two letters of recommendation

» Current résumé

» Official results of the GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test) forwarded to the University of Hartford using school code XBB-NR -73.

**INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS**

For International applicants the following items are required in addition to the above:

» Transcript evaluation as prepared by World Education Services WES ([www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)). The evaluation should at a minimum indicate that the student has completed the equivalent of a four-year bachelors degree at a U.S. regionally accredited institution.

» The $50 application fee is waived to defray the cost of the evaluation.

» Official TOEFL iBT or IELTS scores forwarded to the University of Hartford using school code 3436. Applicants who take the TOEFL iBT are required to attain an overall score of 85, while scoring at least 20 in each of the four parts. Applicants who take the IELTS are required to attain an overall score of 7.0, while scoring at least 6.5 in each of the four sections.

» Guarantor’s Statement. The cost to study for one year (two semesters) within the University of Hartford’s MSAT program is $24,860. This figure does include an estimate for living expenses. As part of the application, an international student MUST prove that he/she has this amount of money through a bank statement. This statement is also used to issue the student an I-20 form.

For both domestic and international applicants

The admission review committee will consider only complete applications. All application materials should be sent to the Graduate Office at the following address: Center for Adult and Graduate Academic Services, CC231; University of Hartford; 200 Bloomfield Avenue; West Hartford, CT 06117 USA.
GMAT INFORMATION

GMAT Waiver
GMAT waivers are available for applicants who meet any of the following criteria:
» Passed the CPA, CMA, or state bar exam
» Hold a master’s degree or higher in any discipline from an appropriately accredited institution
» Hold a degree from an AACSB school achieving at least a 3.5 GPA overall and in their major

Experienced-based GMAT waivers are granted only in exceptional cases to domestic applicants with 5-7 years of U.S.-based financial analytical experience above the entry level. The experience-based waiver request will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

GMAT Testing
The GMAT examination uses a flexible schedule of test dates. Call test centers and arrange for individual computerized testing. Scores are available within a few weeks. GMAT scores are valid for 5 years. University of Hartford GMAT test code XBBNR 73. Visit: www.mba.com.

DEADLINES AND DATES
You can apply to matriculate in the fall, spring, or summer semesters. Application and all material due dates are as follows:

Domestic Applicants:
Fall admission – August 1st
Spring admission – December 15th
Summer admission – April 15th

International Applicants:
Fall admission – June 1st
Spring admission – October 15th
Summer admission – February 15th

Admission decisions will be completed shortly after the application deadline. Applications submitted after the deadline will be considered for the next semester.

COSTS OF ATTENDANCE
The Barney School of Business charges a per-credit rate for tuition. The 2015-2016 academic year graduate tuition rate is $1,950 per course. Students who must take the undergraduate accounting prerequisites will pay tuition of $1,560 per course for the 2015-2016 academic year.

FINANCIAL AID
Domestic Financial Aid
Financial assistance for graduate and professional students through the Office of Admission and Student Financial Assistance at the University of Hartford is limited to the Federal Family Education Loan and supplemental loan programs. Students must meet all eligibility requirements as established by the U.S. Department of Education. The academic year includes summer, fall, and spring semesters.
There are three items that you must satisfy in order to be eligible for financial aid

» Be matriculated into a graduate degree-granting program

» Be registered for at least 6 credits a semester-except summer term, which contains two six-week sessions. You may satisfy the 6-credit requirement during summer term by taking 6 credits during one session or by taking 3 credits each session.

» File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the academic year and meet all eligibility requirements established by the U.S. Department of Education.

For more information, call 800.947.4303 or email: finaid@hartford.edu

International Financial Aid

Financial aid for international graduate students is currently limited to graduate assistantships. These assistantships are administered by the individual departments throughout the University and vary in size and availability.

Assistantships and Fellowships

You are encouraged to contact the Office of the Dean of your respective school or college at the University of Hartford regarding the availability of assistantships or fellowships your specific program of study. Please note; assistantships, fellowships; or other support you receive as a result of your enrollment may impact Federal Stafford Loan eligibility.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

The Dual MSAT/MBA Degree program requires 54 credits. The program outline is as follows:

MSAT Required Classes – Choose EITHER the Financial/Assurance OR the Taxation Track (15 credits)

FINANCIAL/ASSURANCE TRACK

» AC560 – Taxation of Business Organizations
» AC715 – Financial Reporting and Analysis
» AC720 – Advanced Auditing
» AC748 – Seminar in Managerial Accounting Control Systems
» AC749 – Seminar in Financial Reporting

TAXATION TRACK

» AC560 – Taxation of Business Organizations
» AC774 – Advanced Taxation of Pass-Through Entities
» AC776 – Advanced Corporate Taxation
» AC783 – Research in Taxation
» AC789 – Seminar in Taxation
FLEXIBILITY YOU WANT.
QUALITY YOU NEED.

MBA BREADTH AND CAPSTONE COURSES (21 CREDITS)
» MBA705 – The Global Business Environment
» MBA710 – Leadership and Management
» MBA720 – Innovation and Project Management
» MBA730 – Managing Customer Relationships and Experiences
» MBA740 – Business, Law, and Society: The Global Environment
» MBA750 – Performance Analysis
» MBA810 – Strategic Management

ELECTIVES 18 CREDITS
» Graduate Business or Accounting Elective
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Total Credits for Students Meeting the Prerequisites for Both Programs (54 credits)

PREREQUISITES
Students without an accounting undergraduate degree would add (18 Credits):
» MBA612 – Accounting Concepts
» AC320 – Financial Reporting Theory I
» AC321 – Financial Reporting Theory II
» AC332 – Cost Management
» AC425 – Federal Income Tax Concepts
» AC430 – Auditing Concepts and Problems

Students Without the MBA business core courses would add (15 credits):
» MBA610 – Managerial Statistics
» MBA614 – Economic Analysis for Managers
» MBA616 – Corporate Finance
» MBA618 – Marketing Management
» MBA620 – Operations Management