

MARITIME BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - 5-YEAR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND MASTER OF MARITIME BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

This combination program enables motivated students to receive their Bachelor of Science in Maritime Business Administration (MBAU) undergraduate degree and a Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics (MBAA) graduate degree in five years.

This program allows students to enter the Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics (MBAA) after completing 60 credit hours of coursework in the Bachelor of Science in Maritime Business Administration (MBAU) with at least a 3.00 GPA.

Students admitted to the 5-year combination degree program will complete the required coursework for the Bachelor of Science in Maritime Business Administration (MBAU) and the Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics (MBAA).

Applicants interested in the 5-year combination program should contact the MARA Chair of Graduate Studies and also consult the Department of Maritime Business Administration website (<https://marine.tamu.edu/academics/maritime-business/>).

Students will be required to complete graduate courses such as economics, management, operations, logistics, and ports, terminals and harbors management. Electives will be selected based on the student's interests, in consultation with an academic advisor.

Bachelor of Science in Maritime Business Administration (MBAU) courses are offered on the Galveston Campus in the traditional face-to-face format and Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics (MBAA) courses are offered in flexible learning formats (traditional face-to-face format on the Galveston Campus, online synchronous and online asynchronous).

Program Requirements

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
BUSN 101	Freshman Business Initiative ¹	3
ECON 202	Principles of Economics ¹	3
MARA 212	Business Law ¹	3
MATH 140	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences ²	3
Communication (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication)		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring		
ECON 203	Principles of Economics ¹	3
ISTM 210	Fundamentals of Information Systems ¹	3
MARA 205	Introduction to Ships and Shipping ¹	3
MATH 142	Business Calculus ³	3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences) ⁴		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Second Year		
Fall		
ACCT 229	Introductory Accounting ¹	3
BUSN 203	Statistical Methods for Business ¹	3
POLS 206	American National Government	3
Creative arts (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)		3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences) ⁴		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring		
ACCT 230	Introductory Accounting ¹	3
MARA 263	Project Management ¹	3
POLS 207	State and Local Government	3
Communication (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication)		3
Language, philosophy, and culture (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Third Year		
Fall		
MARA 301	Ocean Transportation ¹	3
MGMT 311	Legal and Social Environment of Business ¹	3
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences) ⁴		3
General elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring		
MARA 304	Marine Insurance ¹	3
MARA 363	Management Processes ¹	3
MARA 416	Port Operations, Administration and Economics ^{1,6}	3
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3
General elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Fourth Year**Fall**

MARA 440	Global Economy and Enterprise Management ^{1,6,7}	3
MARA 627	Maritime Marketing Services	3
MARA 641	Maritime Financial Management ⁸	3
MARA elective ^{1,9}		3
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Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

MARA 625	Maritime Law and Policy	3
Graduate elective ¹⁰		3
MARA elective ^{1,9}		3
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Semester Credit Hours		15

Fifth Year**Fall**

MARA 421	Admiralty Law ^{1,11}	3
MARA 610	Maritime Strategic Management	3
MARA 612	Maritime Human Resource Management	3
MARA 616	Ports, Terminals and Harbors Management	3
MARA 623	Maritime Economics Theory and Applications ⁸	3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

MARA 466	Strategic Management ^{1,11}	3
MARA 650	Logistics and Supply Chain Management	3
MARA 664	Maritime Operations Management	3
Graduate elective ¹⁰		3
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Semester Credit Hours		15
Total Semester Credit Hours		150

⁸ Courses to be used to meet both undergraduate and graduate requirements.

⁹ Students are required to complete 15 credit hours of MARA electives. Students should select from the following courses: ECON 311, ECON 323, ECON 452; MARA 201, MARA 342, MARA 345, MARA 346, MARA 348, MARA 360, MARA 401, MARA 402, MARA 403, MARA 424, MARA 435, MARA 450, MARA 470, MARA 475, MARA 484, MARA 485, MARA 489, MARA 491, MARA 493; SCMT 336.

¹⁰ Select 9 credit hours from the following graduate level elective courses: MARA 604, MARA 624, MARA 636, MARA 645, MARA 660, MARA 670, MARA 673, MARA 675, MARA 678, MARA 684, MARA 685, MARA 689, MARA 691.

¹¹ Credit by examination given for MARA 421 and MARA 466.

All electives must be chosen in consultation with, and approved by, the student's academic advisor. Unless courses are specifically listed, see University Core Curriculum (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#university-core-curriculum>) for a listing of course options for Communication; Mathematics; Life and Physical Sciences; Language, Philosophy and Culture; Creative Arts; American History; Government and Political Sciences; and Social and Behavioral Sciences.

The program includes a total of 156 hours which up to 6 hours may be applied toward both the Bachelor of Science in Maritime Business Administration and the Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics.

The total hours may be increased if the student is required to take remedial math, remedial English, or foreign language courses.

To earn the economics minor, the student's elective hours must include ECON 311, ECON 323, and ECON 452. For additional requirements of the economics minor, please see the Economics - Minor (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/economics/minor/>).

¹ Indicates required courses in the Maritime Business Administration major. These courses will be used to compute the major GPA. At the time of graduation, a MBAU major must have a GPA of at least 2.0 in their major. A MBAU major must achieve a grade of C or better in ACCT 229, ACCT 230, ECON 202, and ECON 203 as a graduation requirement. These courses may be repeated as necessary to meet this requirement, and the requirement applies to courses taken at Texas A&M University Galveston Campus or offered for transfer from other institutions.

² MATH 148, MATH 150, MATH 152, MATH 168, and MATH 172 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 140.

³ MATH 147, MATH 151, and MATH 171 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 142.

⁴ Students may satisfy the 9-credit hours of Life and Physical Science requirement through any combination of one, three or four credit hour courses.

⁵ Select from any 100-499 course not used elsewhere.

⁶ Satisfies the writing intensive (W) requirement.

⁷ Satisfies the 3 credit hour International and Cultural Diversity (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) (ICD) requirement.