Program Overview

Business school is about developing you as a leader and teaching you fundamental business concepts. But the Berkeley MBA Program goes beyond that to offer you a distinctive set of leadership skills that are extremely valuable in the global marketplace. Our goal is to develop you as an innovative leader.

Master the Fundamentals

Your MBA education at Berkeley-Haas is anchored in the fundamentals of general management, including the latest theories of and best practices in business. From accounting and finance to marketing and strategy, you learn to lead and manage an enterprise as a whole.

The Berkeley MBA curriculum provides you with qualitative, quantitative, analytical, strategic, and problem solving skills rooted in scientific disciplines such as economics, mathematics, and the social sciences. You not only gain knowledge about best business practices, you learn about the fundamental principles behind them – the "how" and the "why." As you study with leading researchers across business disciplines, you will think deeply and expand your understanding of the world.

Become an Innovative Leader

Whether it is producing more fuel-efficient autos or creating new business processes, innovative leaders are the ones who will create opportunity from the major challenges facing the world.

We believe that fundamental to redefining what it means to be a business leader is conscious use of Haas School culture. Our four Defining Principles play a role in admissions decisions, in shaping the curriculum, and in developing the attitudes and behaviors of innovative leadership.

Innovative leaders drive growth by putting new ideas into action in every corner and every function of his or her organization, and they do so responsibly. These leaders define what’s next, for our markets and for our societies.
Schedule Options

The Evening & Weekend MBA Program makes the academic experience convenient and accessible for busy working professionals. The three-year, part-time schedule makes it possible to work while pursuing your education and expanding your network. You study on the UC Berkeley campus and, if you are a weekend student, also at a location in nearby Silicon Valley on select Saturdays.

Select an evening or weekend class schedule

Each fall, the Evening & Weekend MBA Program admits four cohorts of approximately 60-65 students each: two cohorts of evening students and two cohorts of weekend students.

When you apply, select your preference for evening or weekend classes, which the school is generally able to accommodate. Both schedule options include all required core courses and a selection of pertinent and popular electives. You can also enroll in electives in the other schedule option. Classes are held in the fall and spring semesters (1-2 courses are also available each summer), with other activities year round.

Evening Schedule Option

Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., with a 45-minute break. First-year students attend classes two nights each week, either Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. Evening courses are held at the Haas School in Berkeley.

Weekend Schedule Option

Classes are held Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for students during their first three semesters in the program, and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. during their last three semesters, with two 15-minute class breaks and one 60-minute break for a catered lunch. Weekend classes alternate between Berkeley and a Silicon Valley location. Easy access from freeways and airports makes the weekend option viable for students who live outside the San Francisco Bay Area.