The Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Juris Doctor (JD) dual degree program is designed to broaden career opportunities in the fields of business and law. The program allows students to combine legal training with advanced management study. The dual degree program intends to prepare students for a wide range of careers, including investment banking, accounting, international trade, industrial relations, corporate law, and management consulting where law and business overlap. Students completing the program will receive a MBA degree from the Jesse H. Jones School of Business and a JD degree from the Thurgood Marshall School of Law simultaneously. The program allows successful students to engage not only with complex business problems in the corporate environment, but also with private and difficult legal issues into account in all business decisions. MBA/JD dual degree is a total of 111 credit hours (MBA 30 credit hours & JD 81 credit hours), which allows the reduction of 18 total credits hours of coursework in comparison to standalone MBA and JD programs pursued separately.

MBA/JD Admissions:

MBA/JD dual degree program is open to holders of baccalaureate degree from accredited colleges or universities. Applicants to the program must meet the entrance requirements and follow the application procedures administered by both the School of Business and School of Law.

1. Students applying for the dual program must apply after September 1 of the previous year and before April 1 of the following year to be considered for admittance in the fall semester. JD program admit students only in the fall semester.

2. Although students may apply for either MBA or JD program at any time during their course of study, students must be admitted to both programs before completing either program. Admission to both degree programs under the dual program concept permits the application credits for one degree towards the other degree. Application to the program will be evaluated by both the School of Business and the School of Law.

3. The dual degree program participants will have to satisfy the same admission requirements as the applicants for stand-alone MBA and JD degrees.

JD Courses:

- LAW 502: Civil Procedure
- LAW 504: Contracts I
- LAW 505: Contracts II
- LAW 506: Property I
- LAW 507: Property II
- LAW 508: Torts I
- LAW 509: Torts II
- LAW 530: Criminal Law
- LAW 540: Introduction to Constitutional Law
- LAW 600: Evidence
- Writing Seminar/ Research

- LAW 601: Criminal Procedure
- LAW 602: Federal Jurisdiction
- LAW 610: Commercial Law
- LAW 620: Professional Responsibility
- LAW 640: Business Associations
- LAW 650: Wills and Trusts
- LAW 900: The Lawyering Process I
- LAW 920: Appellate Litigation
- LAW 921: Trial Simulation
- LAW 930: Lawyering Process II
- Law Electives
MBA COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR MBA/JD:

The Master of Business Administration degree requires thirty (30) hours of course work, including three (3) credit hours of electives that allow students to build depth of knowledge in a particular business discipline.

ACCT 631  Seminar in Managerial Accounting ................................................................. 3 SCH
FIN 621   Financial and Economic Analysis ........................................................................ 3 SCH
FIN 652   Managerial Finance .......................................................................................... 3 SCH
MGMT 636  Organizational and Management Theory ...................................................... 3 SCH
MGMT 670  Global Strategic Management ...................................................................... 3 SCH
MGSC 624  Statistical Analysis ...................................................................................... 3 SCH
MIS 671   Information Technology .................................................................................. 3 SCH
MKTG 650  Strategic Marketing Management ................................................................ 3 SCH
BADM 655  Entrepreneurship ......................................................................................... 3 SCH
ELECTIVES .................................................................................................................... 3 SCH

Three (3) semester hours of restricted elective courses from the following courses: ACCT 630, BADM 644, FIN 650, MGMT 646, MGMT 650, MGSC 625, MGSC 654, MIS 672, MIS 674, MIS 675 and MKTG 634.

All those applying to any of the business graduate programs must satisfy the following undergraduate prerequisites before taking MBA level courses:

- ACCT 231: Principles of Accounting I
- ECON 231 or 232: Principles of Economics I or II
- MGSC 239: Business Statistics I
- MGSC 302: Operations Management I
- MGMT 300: Principles of Management
- FIN 301: Basic Financial Management
- MKTG 306: Principles of Marketing
- MIS 304: Information Technology

MBA/JD ADMISSION PROCESS

Students will be admitted to the MBA program in the Fall and Spring semesters. The deadline for submission of all application and admission materials is July 15th for the Fall semester and November 15th for the Spring semester of each year (early submission is encouraged). A complete application consists of the following materials:

- Evidence of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution.
- An official transcript of all undergraduate course work.
- An acceptable GMAT score (score must be from a test taken within the last five (5) years of your application date, to be considered).
- A two-page, career-objective essay (including, a description of the applicant’s greatest accomplishment and disappointment and lessons learned from the experiences, as well as a brief discussion of post MBA goals).
- Two confidential letters of recommendation that include applicant’s strengths, areas of improvement, and commitment to excellence.
- A current résumé.
- Official TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) score if the applicant’s native language is not English, unless the applicant has received an undergraduate degree from a U.S. college or university. A TOEFL score of at least 550 on the paper based test or 213 on the computer based test or 79 on the Internet based test is required.
• Only completed applications (containing all required application materials listed above) will be reviewed for admission. Graduate application materials are received by the Graduate School and forwarded to the Jesse H. Jones School of Business for review. The recommendation of Jesse H. Jones School of Business is returned to the Graduate School. The Graduate School will make the final admission decision and notify the applicant of the decision. Prospective students wishing to inquire about their application status should direct questions to the Graduate School, until an official admissions notification is received.

Unconditional Admission:
The applicant must submit an acceptable Graduate Management Aptitude Test (GMAT) score that will be used in conjunction with the applicant’s socioeconomic profile and the undergraduate grade point average to determine admission to graduate programs. The following are some factors that may be included in the socioeconomic profile used in the admission process:

a. Economic status of family when applicant attended elementary, secondary, and undergraduate school.
b. Applicant is first-generation to attend undergraduate school.
c. Applicant is first-generation to attend graduate or professional school.
d. Applicant is multilingual.
e. Applicant was employed while attending undergraduate school.
f. Applicant helped rear other children in family.
g. Applicant’s geographic residence in Texas at time of application.
h. Geographic region wherein applicant’s high school is located.
i. Applicant’s demonstration of performance in community activities.
j. Applicant’s demonstration of commitment to a particular field of study.
k. The presence or absence of role models with comparable graduate school training in the applicant’s region of residence.
l. The applicant’s performance during a personal interview.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS Master of Business Administration

The minimum general requirements for the Master of Science in Management Information Systems degree are:

1. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 is required for all graduate work attempted.
2. A residency of at least one academic year, or its equivalent, is required.
3. Courses transferred may not exceed 6 semester hours, and a grade of “B” or better must have been earned in each course.
4. No more than 6 semester credit hours of “C” and/or “C+” work are accepted toward satisfying graduation and degree requirements.
5. The program must be completed within 6 calendar years.
6. All graduate students are required to score a “3.5” or better on the writing component of the GMAT, or pass an English proficiency exam during their first semester, or obtain a passing grade in English 501.
7. To be considered full-time, a student must register for at least 9 semester hours of graduate work per semester. A normal course load consists of 12 semester hours. The maximum load that can be taken is 15 semester hours. A student who takes 15 semester hours must have an overall graduate grade point average of 3.5 or better and not be employed full-time.
APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1. APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
   URL for Online Application: https://app.applyyourself.com/?id=tsu

2. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS
   Please submit two (2) official transcripts from each college, university and graduate school attended as a registered student. If you earned a degree from Texas Southern University, a transcript will be requested on your behalf.

3. GMAT
   Applicants must submit a valid and acceptable GMAT Score: A score on the aptitude section of the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), which will be used in conjunction with other admission factors. An Analytical Writing score of 3.5 or above is required on the GMAT exam to fulfill English proficiency requirement.

4. TOEFL
   International students need to submit a valid and acceptable TOEFL score: A score of at least 550 on the paper-based test, 213 on the computer-based test, or 79 on the internet-based test of the TOEFL.

5. PROFESSIONAL RESUME
   Please include a current resume detailing your professional work experience and areas of responsibility. The resume should reflect work experience beyond earning your baccalaureate (undergraduate) degree.

6. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE
   Please write a concise essay of no more than 500 words (2-page), explaining your reasoning for seeking an advanced degree in business, describing how the program will help facilitate your career goals. Include a discussion of your greatest accomplishment and disappointment and lessons learned from the experiences, your professional experience as it relates to the pursuance of this program as well as a brief discussion of post-MBA goals.

7. TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
   Two letters of recommendation are required. Letters of recommendation should be obtained from individuals who know you well and can present a balanced evaluation and assessment of your capabilities. Letters should include your strengths, areas for improvement and commitment to academic excellence in a rigorous program.

8. $50 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE ($75 for International Applicants), payable to Texas Southern University.

For more information about the program and/or to access application materials, please visit http://www.tsu.edu/academics/colleges-and-schools/jesse-h-jones-school-of-business/jhj-graduate.php or contact:

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