

Harley Langdale, Jr. College of Business Administration

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The Harley Langdale, Jr. College of Business Administration at Valdosta State University offers a Master of Business Administration (MBA) program and a Master of Accountancy (MAcc) program. With six other AACSB-accredited business schools in Georgia, the Langdale College also offers a collaborative, web-based Master of Business Administration (WebMBA) program. Valdosta State University graduates from both MBA programs receive the same VSU Master of Business Administration degree. All programs are offered online and can be completed in as little as three semesters or spread out over a time period that best fits your schedule. An Accelerated Undergraduate-to-Graduate degree track allows VSU undergraduate business majors to earn up to nine graduate credit hours (courses at the 5000 level or above) that count toward both a Bachelor of Business Administration degree and a MBA or MAcc degree.

The MBA and WebMBA programs are designed to offer graduate business education that prepares graduates for management careers in both for-profit and not-for-profit organizations. The programs integrate knowledge of the functional areas of business with ongoing developments in business practice. Furthermore, the programs seek to develop students' critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills; their appreciation for diverse cultural perspectives; and their ability to solve real-world business problems.

The MAcc is a specialized graduate degree that prepares its graduates for careers in accounting. The program integrates accounting knowledge within the broader context of the other functional areas of business. The MAcc program seeks to develop students' critical thinking, problem-solving, communication, and technology skills.

The MAcc, MBA, and WebMBA programs are fully accredited by AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the premier national accrediting agency for programs in business administration. This accreditation places the Langdale College in the top 5% of all business schools worldwide.

The Langdale College, on VSU's Steele North Campus, has state-of-the-art facilities including multi-media classrooms, a student computer lab, and two computer teaching classrooms.

Admission Requirements for the MBA Program for the MBA, WebMBA, and MAcc programs

Prior to admission to any graduate program at Valdosta State University, applicants must first submit a completed application packet to the Graduate School. A completed application packet includes official transcripts from all institutions previously attended, completed application form, fee, and any additional program requirements submitted by the admission deadline. To be considered for the preferred term, all required materials must be received by the Graduate School no later than the close of business on the deadline. It is the responsibility of the applicant to allow adequate time for document submission and to ensure receipt of documents.

The MBA and WebMBA Programs are open to all undergraduate majors with a G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher. A GMAT score is not required.

The MAcc program requires an undergraduate accounting degree from an AACSB-accredited programs with 2.5 G.P.A. or higher. All other applicants must complete the Summer Accounting Institute before starting the MAcc program. A GMAT score is not required.

Admission to the Accelerated Undergraduate-to-Graduate degree option requirements

1. Written notification by an LCOBA professional advisor from the Student Engagement Center to the LCOBA Graduate Program Coordinator of her/his willingness to serve as the student's Accelerated Undergraduate-to-Graduate Track advisor.
2. Completion of 75 credit hours of undergraduate coursework:
 - a. at least 15 hours must be LCOBA courses, with at least a 3.0 G.P.A. for those LCOBA credits; and
 - b. a grade of "C" or better must be earned in each of those LCOBA courses.
3. An overall G.P.A. in undergraduate coursework of at least 3.0

Once accepted, a specific course of study will be developed with the student's advisor.

Students interested in continuing their graduate education may apply for admission to the graduate program in LCOBA in their senior year or upon completion of their undergraduate degree. Full admission to the Graduate School requires completion of the bachelor's degree. Students in the Accelerated Undergraduate-to-Graduate Track will not be required to take admission tests but must meet all other graduate admission requirements.

Students who have completed 9 hours of graduate-level coursework to complete their bachelor's degree will be required to complete the remaining requirements of the graduate degree they choose to pursue.