PhD Program

With its focus on Entrepreneurship, the Management PhD program at FAU provides the specialized preparation needed by nascent entrepreneurship scholars seeking to make significant contributions through their teaching and research. Early in the program our students are paired with at least one faculty mentor who shares their research interests. The program generally consists of two years of coursework, followed by comprehensive exams and a dissertation, and it usually takes a minimum of four years to complete.

Our students regularly present their research at prestigious conferences, and many have academic journal publications prior to graduation. Job placements are strong, with our students obtaining positions at universities nationwide.

Why FAU

- AACSB-accredited program
- Competitive financial support
- Research-active faculty
- Faculty trained in top PhD programs
- Access to CRSP, Compustat, IBES, SDC, Datastream, and other databases
- Diverse PhD overall student body

Program Summary

Full-time program requires 4 to 5 years in residency:

- 2 years of coursework consisting of core management seminars, research methods classes, and supporting courses
- Development and completion of research projects with publication potential
- Successful completion of comprehensive exams and defense of a doctoral dissertation

Financial Support

Admitted students are provided the following:

- $24,000 annual stipend
- Tuition waiver
- Travel reimbursement to attend conferences

Students work as research assistants for management faculty their first two years and teach undergraduate classes beginning in their third year.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the PhD Program is restricted to students who show exceptionally high promise for mastering conceptual and analytical tools in business. While the minimum requirements are listed below, higher requirements may be used when there are numerous applicants with strong credentials.

Previous Coursework

- Minimum 3.5 GPA in master’s program
- Minimum 3.0 GPA in undergraduate program
- A professional general evaluation is required for all international transcripts.

Graduate Management Admissions Test

- A minimum score of 600 on the GMAT taken within the last five years.
- The GRE may be considered but the GMAT is preferred.

Letters of Recommendation

- Three letters of recommendation are required. At least two of the letters should be from professors who can assess the applicant’s potential for study at the PhD level.

Statement of Career Goals

- The applicant should provide a statement (maximum length three pages) regarding why he or she wishes to pursue the PhD degree.

Language Requirements

- For applicants whose native language is not English, minimum scores of 600 on the TOEFL and 250 on the Test of Spoken English are required.

Application Deadline: January 15
PhD Placements
- Augusta University
- California State University, Long Beach
- Central Washington University
- Eastern Michigan University
- Florida A&M University
- Florida International University
- Georgia Southern University
- Grenoble École de Management
- Loyola University at New Orleans
- University of Central Oklahoma
- University of Evansville
- University of Miami
- University of North Carolina, Wilmington
- University of Portland
- University of Southern Mississippi
- University of Tampa

Faculty Research
Faculty members in the Management Programs Department have published in such journals as:

- Academy of Management Journal
- Academy of Management Review
- Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice
- Journal of Applied Psychology
- Journal of Business Venturing
- Journal of International Business Studies
- Journal of Management
- Journal of Management Studies
- Journal of Organizational Behavior
- Leadership Quarterly
- Organization Studies
- Strategic Entrepreneurship Journal
- Strategic Management Journal

Example Curriculum

Years One and Two
Management Core
- Organization Theory
- Organizational Behavior
- Strategic Management

Research Methods Core
- Scientific Method
- Univariate Statistics
- Multivariate Statistics
- Research Design and Measurement

Supporting Courses
- Entrepreneurship
- Corporate Entrepreneurship
- International Entrepreneurship
- Entrepreneurial Marketing
- Entrepreneurial Finance
- Entrepreneurial Economics

Year Three
- Comprehensive Exams
- Dissertation Proposal

Year Four
- Dissertation

Management Faculty

Professors
- Gary Castrogiovanni*
- Beth Goodrick
- Roland Kidwell* (Department Chair)
- Tomasz Lenartowicz
- Chandra Mishra*
- Donald Neubaum*
- Dennis Palkon
- Siri Terjesen*
- Len Trevino

Associate Professors
- Pierre Alexandre
- Andac Arikan*
- Patrick Bernet
- Stephanie Castro
- Lakshman Chandrashekhar
- Donna Cooke
- Kimberly Ellis
- Gulcin Gumus*
- Mingxiang Li*
- Ethlyn Williams

Assistant Professors
- Scott Feyereisen
- Michael Harari
- Rajeev Sawant*

Other Entrepreneurship Faculty
- Ravi Behara* (Professor, Operations Mgmt)
- Christopher Boudreaux* (Asst Prof, Econ)
- Rebel Cole* (Professor, Finance)
- Douglas Cumming* (Professor, Finance)
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