

DATES TO REMEMBER

Deadline to take GMAT/GRE
(General)/NTS GAT (General)

June 01, 2021

Deadline to apply

June 8, 2021

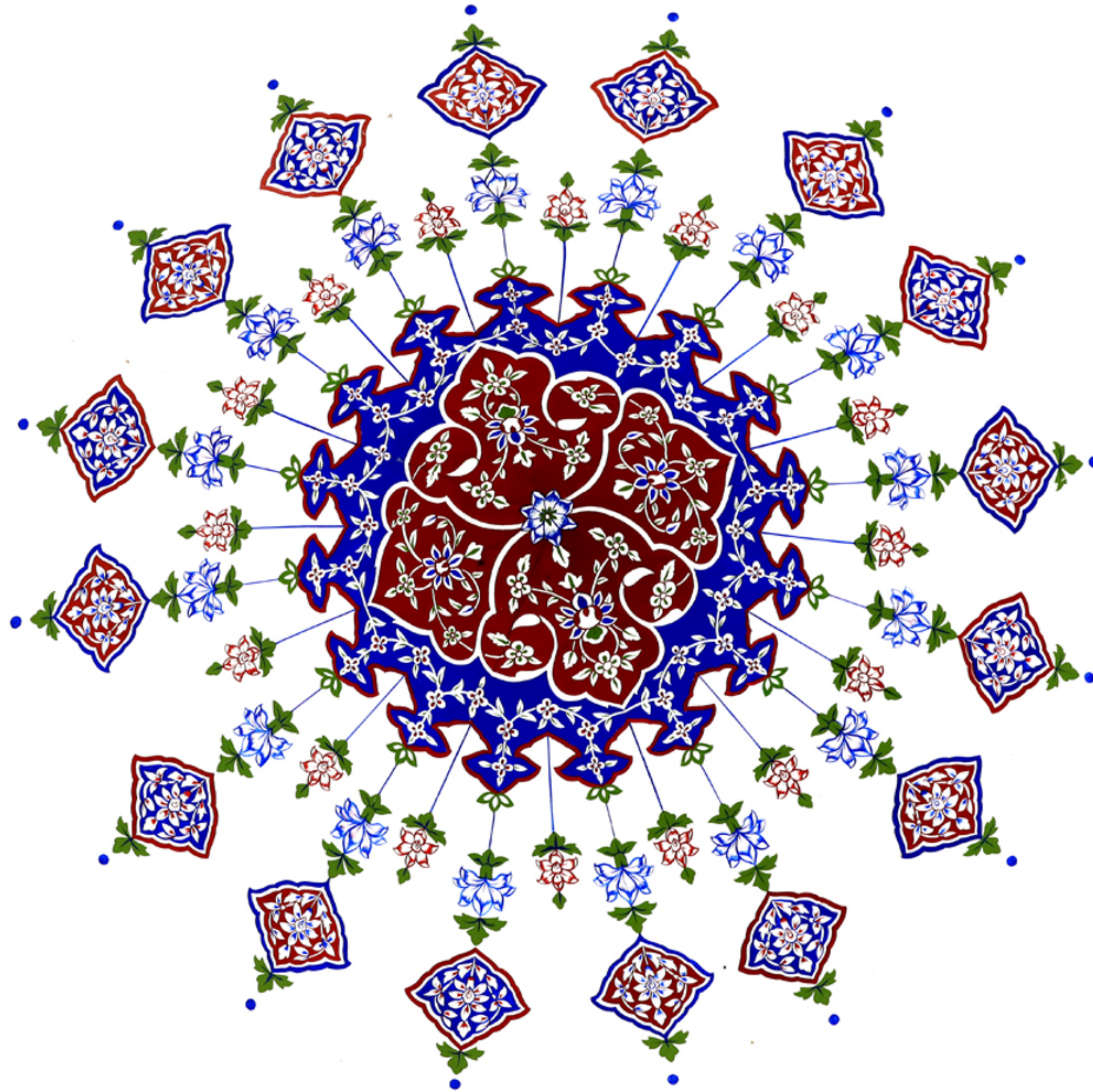
5:00 pm (PKT)

Deadline to submit online
supporting documents

June 11, 2021

Admission decisions

**July 15 -
July 31, 2021**



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MASTER OF SCIENCE (MS)

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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INVEST IN YOURSELF AND ADVANCE FINANCIAL LEADERSHIP

DEAN'S MESSAGE



Students at LUMS empower themselves to become change-makers. Joining Pakistan's top business school is about ambition and the drive to change the world. The MS degree in Financial Management will mobilise your speed of thought, ability to act and capacity to innovate. Through a diversity of instructional methods, the MS programme will expose you to areas of the field that will help you advance financial institutions and the wider economy in ways never visualised before. At the Suleman Dawood School of Business at LUMS, you'll interact with other competitive individuals and distinguished faculty, understand novel industry practices, and refine the financial circuitry underpinning value creation and positive societal change. Come to LUMS and join leaders engaged in shaping tomorrow.

We're looking forward to welcoming you in the Fall.

Dr. Alnoor Bhimani
Honorary Dean
Suleman Dawood School of Business

SULEMAN DAWOOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The Suleman Dawood School of Business (SDSB) at LUMS is Pakistan’s top business school. Since its inception, SDSB has developed highly skilled graduates who have proven their ability to lead, transform and innovate, creating long-lasting impact in business and society.

THE UNIVERSITY AND THE BUSINESS SCHOOL ARE CONTINUING TO BUILD A NEW TOMORROW. THIS IS HOW:

- Ranked among the top 251-300 Asian universities by Times Higher Education (THE) Asia University Rankings 2020.
- Fully funded scholarships available for local and international students.
- Strong emphasis is placed on participant-centred learning.
- SDSB is a Harvard Business Publishing content partner.

Top 50
in Asia for employability as ranked by QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020.

Top 200
worldwide for employability as ranked by QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020.

Over 80%
SDSB faculty members hold PhDs from the world’s leading institutions.

50%
scholarship awarded to all women admitted to the programme.

SDSB is internationally recognised. It is Pakistan’s only business school to have achieved accreditation by AACSB International —The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). Just around 5 per cent of the world’s business schools currently hold this distinction. SDSB’s AACSB accreditation speaks to the quality of its education and research, enabling it to stand out not only in the region but around the world.

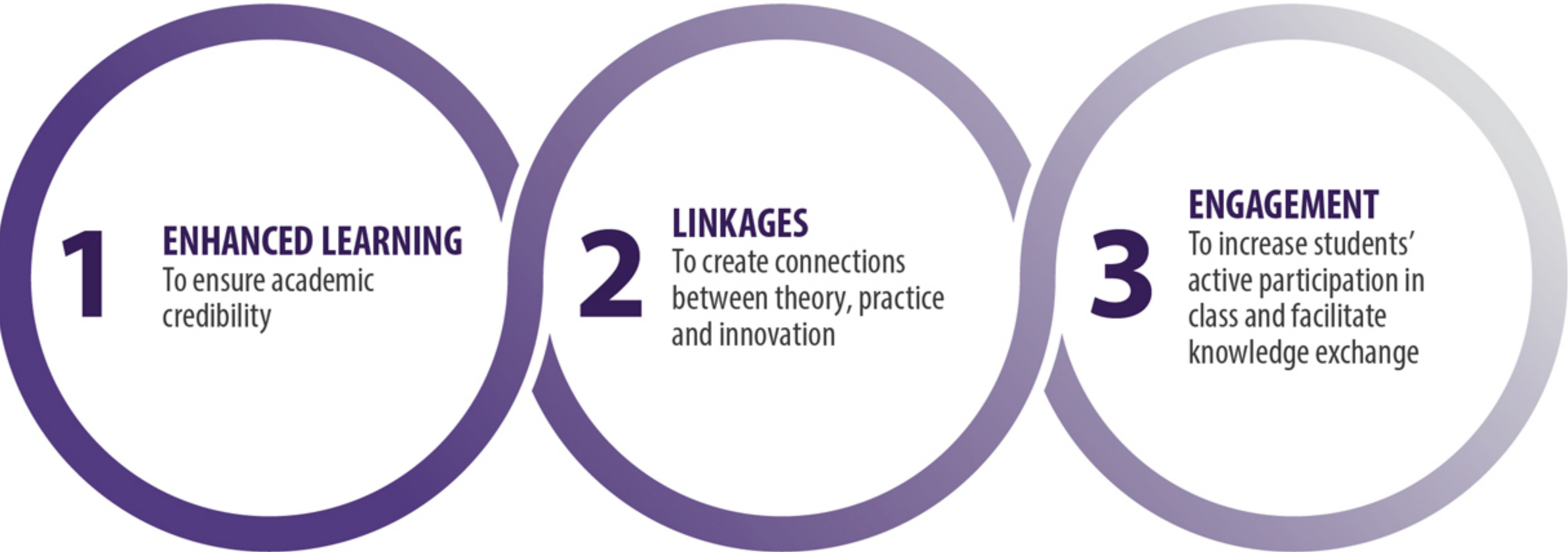
Research and teaching at LUMS extend its ‘Learning Without Borders’ philosophy across the University’s community by breaking academic, geographic, and socio-economic barriers to make education accessible to all. The University continues to be an intellectual hub, rich with varying perspectives and transformative ideas. With an environment brimming with inclusion, unity, and boundless knowledge, learning continues in and beyond the campus walls to develop innovators, leaders, and change-makers who can contribute to the community and build strong, borderless networks.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Master of Science (MS) degrees are 1.5-year programmes envisioned to provide an intensive, rich, and innovative understanding of the intersection between business fundamentals and a focused specialisation area.

The MS in Financial Management at SDSB is a full-time graduate programme that will allow students to build a sound foundation of the core concepts in finance to ensure up to date training for entry or progression in finance careers. The programme aims to equip students with fundamental tools, knowledge, and expertise to effectively deal with contemporary finance issues.

The blended learning methodology at SDSB seeks to ensure:



The MS in Financial Management will provide an in-depth grounding in finance, essential for the development of analytical, quantitative, critical thinking, and applied research skills necessary for engagement in the financial sector. It will enable you to comprehend and operate within the increasing complexities and innovations in the field which organisations face. Additionally, students seeking the globally recognised Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) qualification will also benefit from this programme.

The programme is structured to cover the foundations of modern finance with an Experiential Learning semester that includes an applied thesis and industry internship component to enable the application of theory in real life. Taking account of finance issues that are global and locally situated, this application of finance skills and finance knowledge training within the MS programme will fill a void that is present in many enterprises.



As an MS Financial Management graduate, you will:

- Possess practical business knowledge
- Have sound theoretical knowledge and applied expertise in finance
- Lead financial practice innovations within the context of the Pakistani finance industry
- Gain analytical, mathematical, critical thinking, and applied research skills essential for engagement in the financial sector
- Develop the ability to pursue the CFA qualification or similar

Graduates of the MS Financial Management programme may avail:

- Opportunities at both local and international enterprises, including investment banks, commercial banks, asset management companies, regulatory bodies, public sector organisations, and accounting bodies
- Roles as private equity consultants, in corporate finance, as research analysts, financial and investment analysts, private equity consultants, portfolio managers, senior officials, and chief executives and treasurers
- Entrepreneurship and fintech innovation roles
- Doctoral studies



PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The MS Financial Management programme requires 1.5 years to complete 33 credit hours.

Master of Science in Financial Management

Graduation Requirement	33 credit hours
Foundation Courses	12 credit hours
Core Courses	15 credit hours
Applied Thesis/Project	6 credit hours
Programme Duration	1.5 years
Semester 1: Foundation	Fall
Semester 2: Core	Spring
Semester 3: Core	Summer
Semester 4: Experiential Learning	Fall

Fall Semester: Foundation

Business Economics	3 Credits
Organisations and Leadership	3 Credits
Financial Statement Analysis and Value Creation	3 Credits
Marketing Management	3 Credits

Spring Semester: Core

Corporate Finance and Valuation	3 Credits
Investments and Portfolio Management	3 Credits
Derivatives and Fixed Income	3 Credits
Entrepreneurial Finance and Venture Capital	3 Credits

Summer Semester: Core

Applied Research & Analysis	3 Credits
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Fall: Experiential Learning

Applied Project/Thesis	6 Credits
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ADMISSION CRITERIA

Admission is purely merit based and rests solely on the following criteria:

Academic Record

A minimum of sixteen (16) years of education leading to a Master's or Bachelor's* or equivalent degree in a relevant discipline including Business, Management and Commerce.

A student with a non-financial background may be required to take pre-requisite courses to be determined by the LUMS Admissions Committee depending on the academic background of the applicant. Options to do this will be given to accepted applicants requiring pre-requisite courses.

*Applicants holding only a Bachelor's degree of less than four years' duration will be required to produce an equivalence certificate issued by the Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan. Prior university studies must be from a university recognised by the Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan.

Performance in the Admission Test

Applicants are required to take the **GRE (General)** or **Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT)** or **NTS GAT (General)** in order to be considered for admission.

For further details on GRE (General), GMAT and NTS GAT (General), please visit www.ets.org, www.mba.com and nts.org.pk

NOTE

- ▶ GRE (General)/GMAT taken more than five (5) years before the admission deadline will not be accepted.
- ▶ NTS GAT (General) taken more than two (2) years before the admission deadline will not be accepted. A cumulative score of 50 in GAT (General) is a requirement for admission.
- ▶ If the applicant has taken more than one test, the best score will be considered for application evaluation.
- ▶ For equivalency details for the GRE (General) and GMAT, please see: <https://www.ets.org/s/gre/flash/bschool/comparison/17302/170/index.html>
- ▶ As testing services for the GMAT/GRE/NTS GAT (General) are operational during this admission cycle (Fall 2021 admissions), applicants are required to take the test according to the stipulated deadline.
- ▶ If no admission test is scheduled due to test centre closure by May 30, 2021, LUMS will process applications using the available information. If shortlisted, you may then be asked to appear for an interview followed by a conditional acceptance if you are successful. once, test centres are functioning, you will need to sit for the test and attain the minimum test score required by the University.

Statement of Purpose

Applicants will be asked to submit a written statement of purpose. It should identify in clear terms why they think they are suited to the programme. They should state how the degree would enable them to achieve their career goals.

Two Recommendation Letters

Recommendation letters should indicate the applicant's academic performance, commitment to excellence and their strong aptitude for business education. These can be from professional as well as academic referees.

Work Experience

The Master of Science programme does not require prior work experience. Students may, however, benefit from having worked in the relevant industry.

Submission of Online Application, Application Processing Fee and Online Supporting Documents

Complete online application, application processing fee and supporting documents should be submitted by the stipulated deadline. Submission of a minimum of two recommendation letters is compulsory.

Application Review

The relevant committee to finalise the admission decision will review shortlisted applications. Applicants are encouraged to provide complete information regarding their academic achievement, research reports, attended workshops, extracurricular activities and must tell LUMS about their significant experiences that can strengthen their applications.

Interview (if called)

Only short-listed candidates will be called for interviews.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The MS journey is an important investment for students and LUMS shares in this investment through several financial assistance programmes and interest free loans. Financial support is available to all eligible local and international applicants applying to our Master of Science programmes.

► MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

75% scholarships are awarded to the top 3 candidates admitted to the programme.

► WOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS

Fostering, celebrating, and advancing women's leadership in business, a 50% tuition fee waiver will be awarded to all admitted female students.

► LUMS INTEREST FREE LOAN

LUMS offers interest free loans to local MS students based on annual financial needs assessment. These loans cover partial to full tuition fee expenses.

