The IIE Master of Business Administration

School of

Management

The IIE Master of Business Administration MBA is aimed at working professionals who would like to lead their organisations or departments, to understand universal business problems and challenges in the South African and global context and to apply best practices and management style

The (MBA) is a professional degree providing a high level of theoretical engagement and intellectual independence while developing the ability to resolve complex business problems in an innovative way

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DEGREE

DISTANCE

Campus Offers

CAMPUSES
Online

Curriculum
Pre-requisites

MODULE OFFERING FOR 2026					
Code	Module Name	Credits	Code	Module Name	Credits
MGDF9123	Managing the Globally Diverse Organisation	15	ACML9113	Accounting Measurement for Leaders	15
FIMA9113	Financial Management	15	BSCA9113	Business Strategy for Sustainable Competitive Advantage	15
RESM9213 *	Research Methodology - only applicable to NEW students enrolling in 2026	0	INNP9213	Innovation Project - only applicable to RETURNING students that enrolled in 2025	45
ENTR9113	Entrepreneurship (elective)	15	SPCM9113	Supply Chain Management (elective)	15
PRMA9113	Project Management (elective)	15	OPMA9113	Operations Management (elective)	15

MODULE OFFERING FOR 2027					
Code	Module Name	Credits	Code	Module Name	Credits
LDYE9113	Leading in a Dynamic Era	15	ECCM9113	Establishing and Cultivating Customer Markets	15
ECDM9113	Economic Decision Making	15	CIFO9113	Creativity, Innovation and Foresight	15
RESM9213 *	Research Methodology - only applicable to NEW students enrolling in 2027	0	INNP9213	Innovation Project - only applicable to RETURNING students enrolled in 2026	45

Admission Requirements

The following is required to be considered for admission:

Minimum Entrance Requirements:	
	• An appropriate HEQSF Level 8 Honours degree; OR • A relevant Postgraduate Diploma or appropriate equivalent; OR An appropriate Level 8 Bachelor's Degree (480 credits) may also be recognized as meeting the minimum entry requirements to a cognate Master's Degree programme. • Minimum of three years' relevant work experience CV review and interview by Programme Manager to ensure alignment between the candidate and the programme
International	A SAQA NQF L8 Evaluation Certificate in an appropriate field
Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)	Where candidates do not satisfy the formal admission requirements for this qualification, The IIE may consider an admission application in terms of the Credit Accumulation and Transfer, Recognition of Prior Learning and Qualification Completion Policy (IIE010).
Please Note: All applicants who are eligible for admission to the Master of Business Administration degree are required to successfully complete and present a research proposal and obtain ethics clearance for the research for their mini dissertation.	

Important Information
   • This factsheet is valid for the 2026 academic year only.

Note:
• Curriculum and content are subject to change.
• Students will be required to register per academic year.
• Fees stated are per academic year and not for the full qualification.
• Students who are unsuccessful in a module(s) will need to reregister.

Career Opportunities
This degree will open up an attractive range of career advancement options. It is a perfect stepping stone to a diverse and exciting range of career opportunities.

• Director
• Executive management

- Chief executive
- General management
- Senior functional specialist
- Unit management

What are the benefits of an IIE distance (online) qualification?

The IIE's distance (online) delivery mode provides you with the agility of studying towards a tertiary qualification asynchronously, at different times from different locations. Distance students need to commit to approximately 20-25 hours a week for distance engagement (most of which is after hours) with material and assessments to succeed.

Here are some of the benefits you can expect:

- A sequenced online learning environment that allows you the ability to manage your learning experiences flexibly and autonomously.
- A learner guide designed to lead you through the module material and learning outcomes, empowering you to effectively pace your learning in preparation for assessments.
- Our Learning Management System is designed to break up your learning units into manageable sections which include various activities to support learning.
- Module expert online lecturers that facilitate module teaching and learning support through various technology enhanced mediums.
- Online Success Navigators provide administrative and operational guidance and support throughout your
- academic journey.
- A professionally registered Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor available for short-term, primary counselling services. Additionally, the Student Wellness Manager/ Counsellor hosts various webinars and virtual talks on topics that promote a balanced lifestyle as you pursue your academic goals.

Graduation and completion requirements for this qualification

In order to be awarded this qualification, you must have achieved a minimum final year mark of fifty percent (50%) for all 11 modules in the curriculum.

Device and connectivity specifications required for online study:

- Reliable internet connection (we recommend 5-10 GB of data per month and an internet speed of at least 0.15 Mbps).
- Desktop PC or laptop with at least an i3 processor and 4GB RAM memory.
- Windows 8 or macOS 10.15 (Microsoft Office 365 is available as a free download for IIE students), and Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge Chromium or Firefox.
- An uninterrupted power supply is also highly recommended.
- working webcam and microphone.

Exams are written at an exam centre and in some instances online. These details will be specified in your programme assessment schedule.

Where assessments are written in person:

- For students based in South Africa, online students may select any campus of The IIE's Varsity College, Rosebank College, Vega, or IIE MSA as their Examination Centre.
- An alternative examination centre is only permissible for students studying abroad and those located in a province of South Africa where there is no IIE campus. If there is no IIE campus within reach, an alternative venue will need to be sourced by you. For non-IIE venues, there is an alternative venue levy per module.

How will The IIE's Varsity College support your online learning as a distance (online) student, and how will it help prepare you for the working world?

Our distance teaching and learning approach is designed to allow you the freedom to self-govern your learning experiences according to your individual needs. You are at the centre of your own learning journey, and by offering curated engagement opportunities, we partner with you to:

- Engage with subject material
- Build understanding
- Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Manage your work, life and studies
- Succeed in your personal, professional and academic goals