

What our recent graduates say

"The University of Otago MBA programme has a great world ranking, international accreditation, and a fantastic structure that includes live case studies and a mentoring programme, which has added an extra perspective to my studies. My mentor encouraged me to find a volunteer position with one of the local rugby teams and, as it happened, a classmate is the manager for the Varsity B squad, which needed a conditioning coach. I spent the better part of three months working with the team on agility, endurance and strength. The immersion in the rugby culture was awesome and has been my single favourite experience here to date."



Steve Kessler
Master of Business Administration student

"I looked at other options in the USA, Asia, Canada and Europe, and decided that Otago was the most logical choice for an international student wanting to do a business degree; so I moved my life and family from India to study for my MBA at Otago. My decision also revolved around finding somewhere with a good work/life balance and a good environment. The tools I gained from the MBA come in handy in my current role, which involves analysing business models, market dynamics and investment strategy."



Anup Mohan
Master of Business Administration graduate
Senior Investment Analyst, Ministry of Business,

Contact information

Otago MBA
Email otagomba@otago.ac.nz
Tel +64 3 479 4176

otago.ac.nz/mba

POSTGRADUATE



BUSINESS SCHOOL
Te Kura Pakihi

OTAGO
MBA



POSTGRADUATE



BUSINESS SCHOOL
Te Kura Pakihi

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Move to the next level in your career with the Otago MBA





Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Established in 1976, the Otago MBA programme is ranked #1 in New Zealand.* The Otago MBA emphasises practical application of business theories through case studies, live cases and professional consulting engagements.

The on-campus MBA programme prepares students for careers anywhere in the world. Students enjoy exposure to diverse backgrounds and a rigorous practice-oriented curriculum.

- Study full-time and complete your MBA in 15 months.
- Study part-time and complete your MBA in 2.5 years.
- Full-time study requires 5 hours of classes and approximately 30–40 hours of study per week.
- Part-time study requires 2.5 hours of classes and approximately 10–20 hours of study per week.
- Study one or two papers at a time over an 8-week term.
- Intakes in February each year.

**QS Global MBA Rankings 2020 Top NZ MBA.*

Why study the Master of Business Administration at Otago?

Located at the newly-refurbished University of Otago Business School in beautiful Dunedin, New Zealand, the Otago MBA is the School's flagship programme. The Otago Business School is highly rated for various business disciplines and provides an excellent backdrop for the Otago MBA. Gain holistic, practical business perspectives, while finding your lifestyle balance and gaining a globally respected degree.

Teaching style and methods

The intellectually stimulating and engaging programme is led by high-quality teachers with diverse practical backgrounds. Teachers come from both industry and academic backgrounds, and bring practical perspectives and leading research into their teaching. Work with and learn from students from diverse backgrounds in a collaborative classroom environment, with small class sizes. Feel supported by knowledgeable and encouraging administrative and academic staff.

Degree structure

- Phase 1 comprises 10 months of full-time on-campus study. There are twelve core subjects:

BMBA 501 Business Law
BMBA 502 Marketing
BMBA 503 Organisational Leadership
BMBA 505 Economics
BMBA 506 Human Resource Management
BMBA 507 Accounting
BMBA 508 Investment and Global Financial Markets
BMBA 509 Strategic Planning for International Markets
BMBA 510 Leading Sustainable Enterprises
BMBA 511 Operational Excellence
BMBA 512 International Business
BMBA 513 Strategy Implementation

- Phase 2 offers you choices and flexibility. You can choose to continue this part of your MBA studies through one of the following options: international exchange, on-campus electives or a professional consulting engagement.

The entire MBA programme covers a total of 240 points.

Career opportunities

The career prospects at the end of the Otago MBA are excellent. Our alumni are an illustrious bunch and many go on to be highly successful in their fields. They include Graeme Hart, multi-billionaire and the richest man in New Zealand. We celebrate his success with pride since he developed the strategy for his business while completing his Otago MBA.

A survey of our alumni has shown that most have found jobs within three months of graduation. The versatility of the Otago MBA has helped graduates establish careers in a wide range of industrial sectors and job functions all over the world. Many earn six-figure salaries after graduation. Based on their salary figures and the cost of undertaking the Otago MBA, most break even on their MBA investment within a year.

Most importantly, they report positive impacts on both their lives and careers.

The Otago MBA entry requirements

Our MBA programme is open to students with a range of degrees, or relevant work experience.

The Otago MBA application process is rigorous and includes the completion of an online form, an interview and a videoconference presentation on a recent news item.

Applications are processed on a rolling basis.

The Otago MBA minimum entry requirements include:

- An undergraduate degree (or equivalent, or an acceptable level of management experience).
- A minimum of three years of professional/management experience.
- A 550+ GMAT score or a 'pass' in the Otago MBA Admissions Test.

If you think you meet these entry requirements, complete our simple online form:

otago.ac.nz/mba/entry