MASTER OF ARTS IN MANAGEMENT

In today’s business world, managers need critical knowledge and qualitative skills. The Master of Arts in management program within Rockhurst’s Helzberg School of Management can offer you that and more, focusing on managerial issues such as leadership, team dynamics, functional decision-making, human resources, and other talents pertinent to managing others.

Our program provides a special focus on managing people, change and technology so that your teams and businesses operate more effectively, efficiently and ethically.

The program is specifically designed for students from diverse educational backgrounds, including mid-level professionals looking to assume management duties and concentrate on their organizational management skills, as well as specialists in fields such as nursing, IT, human resources and education.

THE PROGRAM

The MA foundation and core curriculum consists of 25 credit hours in management, organizational development, and leadership courses, along with a minimum of 10 credit hours in electives to complete the program. A majority of courses are two-credit hours taken in eight-week terms. Classes are held one evening per week on the Rockhurst campus. The total credit hour requirement for the MA in management is 35-37 credit hours.

FOUNDATION AND CORE CURRICULUM

Master of Arts in management students complete a 25-hour foundation and management core curriculum, including courses in:

Foundation Curriculum – 10 credit hours
- Managerial communications
- Project management
- Corporate social responsibility
- Technological perspectives for managers
- Financial decision making for managers

Management Curriculum – 15 credit hours
- Leadership and organizational behavior
- Organizational change
- Human resources and managing people
- Conflict management and negotiation
- Leadership
- Operational planning and budgeting
- Business and management capstone

ELECTIVES AND CONCENTRATIONS

Current concentrations are:
- Organizational leadership and development – 10 credit hours
- Health care management – 10 credit hours
- Nonprofit administration – 11-12 credit hours

Examples of elective course options include:
- Developing leaders in organizations
- Spirituality and values in organizations
- Health information technology
- Developing annual sustainability
- Technology and marketing trends in fundraising
- Social entrepreneurship
- Cost management and control

Students can select a concentration area, or take a mixture of 10 credit hours across all three concentration areas to receive a Master of Arts in management without a concentration.

For a full list of courses within each concentration area, visit rockhurst.edu/ma.
PROFESSIONAL COACHING AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
At the beginning of the program, you are paired with a professional coach to create a development plan and establish goals. Mentoring from alumni, faculty and regional executives is also available.

Your experience ends with a capstone course, providing a practical, hands-on application of program knowledge. Within this capstone, you will partner with a local business to solve a real-world issue.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION
After submitting your application and transcripts, you will meet with the director of graduate business advising to map out a personalized schedule.

This flexible schedule is built based on your graduation timeline and selected electives.

With five points of entry, you may begin the program in January, March, June, August or October.

THE ADMISSION PROCESS
Apply for the Master of Arts in management program in three easy steps.

1. Complete an application for admission.

2. Submit your official transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate coursework evidencing conferral of a bachelor’s degree. Electronic transcripts may be sent to jennifer.plaster@rockhurst.edu. Official transcripts can be mailed to:

   Rockhurst University
   Graduate Business Programs
   Conway Hall, Room 201F
   1100 Rockhurst Road
   Kansas City, MO 64110-2561

3. Submit an official GMAT or GRE score. Determine the score required by using the following formula: GPA x 200 + GMAT score. Your composite score must equal 1050 or greater.

   The minimum GMAT accepted is a 450. GRE scores are converted to a GMAT predictive score. Prospective students who have not previously taken either exam are encouraged to take the GMAT.

   The GMAT/GRE requirement is waived for applicants who hold a terminal (doctoral level) degree.

To apply or for more information on admission requirements, visit rockhurst.edu/ma or contact the graduate business office at graduate@rockhurst.edu or 816-501-4632.