Admission requirements:

ualr.edu/bis/ms-in-bis/admission-requirements

Master of Science in BINS program admission may be achieved through a combination of GPA and GMAT/GRE score. Waiver of the GMAT/GRE requirement may be possible for applicants who meet certain criteria (see admission requirements).

Graduate certificate candidates must have completed a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution of higher education with a GPA of at least 2.8 (4.0 scale), a 3.0 in the last 60 hours, or a 3.2 in the last 30 hours. The GMAT exam is not required.

Any currently admitted graduate student in the College of Business or the George W. Donaghey College of Engineering and Information Technology will be automatically admitted into a BINS graduate certificate program upon application.

Graduate Certificate courses can be directly applied to the Master of Science degree in Business Information Systems.
Develop Marketable Skills
The graduate program can help you succeed in today’s workplace: an environment requiring knowledge of business, strong technical and interpersonal skills, and the ability to function in an analytics-based, decision-making environment.

Focus on IT Leadership
The program focuses on strategic IT applications and development of project management, teamwork, and communication competencies. Through the program you can prepare for leadership roles, such as chief information officer, business systems analyst, database administrator, and project manager.

Customize Career Goals
The program can be customized to meet varying goals for those with or without previous technology or business coursework. The objective of the program is to position graduates for advancement in the IT field.

Choose a Program

Master of Science in Business Information Systems
Developing leaders for the technical environment of business

Program Requirements: 33 core semester hours including courses in accounting, systems development and database design, IT strategy, project management, data analytics, and data visualization

Graduate Certificate in Business Information Systems
Developing skills for entering and/or progressing in IT careers

Program Requirements: 12 semester hours to be chosen from technical and managerial courses, including courses in systems analysis, database design, business analytics, team development, and communication

Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics
Developing skills to differentiate your IT or MBA degree

Program Requirements: 15 semester hours including courses in data analysis and reporting, information visualization, cloud-based business intelligence, data management, and data mining

NOTE: Graduate Certificate courses can be applied to the Master of Science degree in BIS or the MBA.

Gain a Competitive Edge
A graduate Business Information Systems degree can provide you a competitive edge to advance in the rapidly changing marketplace.

- One of the top 10 fields in terms of job demand and starting salaries for graduates, and one of 14 targeted high-growth industries for Arkansas.
- Employment of computer/IT managers or IT project managers is expected to increase 15 percent from 2012 to 2022.
- The U.S. is projected to face a shortage of 140,000 to 190,000 analytics professionals and 1.5 million analytics-savvy decision makers.

Program Benefits
The program will provide you critical leadership and management tools in addition to enhanced IT skills to assure your organization is on the cutting edge.

- Convenient evening classes.
- Networking opportunities with other career professionals and industry partners.
- Instruction by highly qualified, doctoral-level faculty with extensive real-world experience.