Curriculum

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE
Total Credit Hours: 66					
COMM 1	Communication and Leadership	METH 1	Introduction to Business Research	METH 2A	Qualitative Methods for Research I
METH 2B	Qualitative Methods for Research II	METH 3A	Quantitative Methods for Research I	METH 3B	Quantitative Methods for Research II
MGMT 1	Management of Change and Innovation	MGMT 2	Seminar in Strategic Management	MGMT 3	Leadership
MGMT 4	Seminar in Organization Theory and Behavior	MGMT 5	Managerial Decision Making	MGMT 6	Global Issues in Business
RSCH 1	Research Proposal	COMM 2	Dissertation Writing	RSCH 2	Dissertation

Phase I: Coursework including Research Proposal: 39 credit hours

During Phase I, the students will learn about research methodologies and also attend a range of seminar series in business and management fields. The first phase provides students with a solid foundation in research methodologies; exposes them to a range of coursework in business administration; and culminates in the development of a research proposal.

Phase II: Dissertation 27 credit hours

During Phase II, students are involved in progressing on the approved research proposal. During this phase, students are required to work closely with their dissertation committee on the requirement for research article(s) publication, and completion of the doctoral dissertation.









Program Overview

The DBA is an executive doctoral degree intended to enhance executive and professional practice. The program is designed to strengthen both the capability to develop knowledge and theory, as well as their application. The program will be of particular benefit to experienced senior executives, consultants, management educators and business school academics. By addressing practicing executives' specialized needs for advanced knowledge and applied research skills, the DBA Program enables dedicated professionals to detect patterns of change and to become more proactive and agile in leading the change.

Why Choose the DBA Program?

- Obtain a Doctoral degree from the only university that is accredited by both AACSB and EQUIS in the GCC region
- A strong international standard curriculum that allows students to enhance their professional skills and knowledge
- Close supervision by renowned faculty members with a wide range of research expertise
- Flexible part-time program, which allows students to maintain their full-time employment

Career Prospects

The DBA Program produces business leaders with advanced and applied business research capabilities within the context of today's dynamic global business environment. It is a versatile degree that prepares executives for leadership positions within the private and public sectors. Moreover, as the highest academic degree available in business, it qualifies graduates to teach business at universities around the world.



Student's Testimonial

Dr. Yousef Hasan Al Hosani - Chief Executive Officer, Pivot Engineering and General Contracting Co., Abu Dhabi, UAE

It is an honor to be a part of Abu Dhabi University (ADU) and to graduate from College of Business Administration with a distinguished Doctorate degree. I had chosen ADU about 5 years back for my apex degree and I was amazingly surprised by the warmth and care of the University administration and faculty members as I stepped in. I enjoyed every bit of my DBA classes and meetings with my encouraging, well informed, patient and professional faculty members. I have learnt a great deal, expanded my horizons, and established the foundations for success in my career. Thank You! ADU for making my educational journey unique, rewarding and enjoyable."



DBA graduates will be:

- Strategic thinkers through their scientific inquiry and exploration of new horizons of leadership within their organizations and beyond
- Reflective practitioners with a sound understanding of the relevant conceptual and theoretical underpinnings of the chosen areas of research in business
- Creators and interpreters of knowledge through original research
- Competent professionals to undertake rigorous research at an advanced level that contributes to theory and practice in business and management

Faculty Profile

Prof. Hossam Abu Elanain - Director of MSL Program

Dr. Hossam Abu Elanain is a Professor of Management at College of Business Administration at Abu Dhabi University. He holds a PhD in Management from Loughborough University. Dr. Abu Elanian joined Abu Dhabi University in Fall 2009. Dr. Abu Elanain's work has been published in the International Journal of Organizational Analysis, Journal of Management Development, Cross Cultural Management: An International Journal, Management Research Review, and International Journal of Productivity and Performance Management. His current research interests are in the areas of Personality and Performance, Organizational Citizenship Behavior, Job Design and Work Outcomes, Organizational Justice and Performance, Leadership and Performance, and Strategic Human Resource Management.

