



London Institute of Business and Technology

LEADERS IN EXECUTIVE EDUCATION — UNDERGRADUATE AND
POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA AND DEGREE PROGRAMMES

POSTGRADUATE

— COURSE BROCHURE

Doctorate of Business Administration (Advanced Entry)

DBA advanced entry · Awarded by Acacia University, USA

DURATION

18 Months

STUDY MODE

Self-paced online

COURSE FEE

£8,900

Key information

 LEVEL Postgraduate	 DURATION 18 Months
 AWARDING BODY Acacia University	 SUBJECT AREA Business and Management
 STUDY MODE Self-paced online	

— ABOUT THIS COURSE

Why This Course

The Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) programme is an advanced degree designed for **experienced professionals who wish to expand their leadership skills and significantly contribute to academia and industry**. The programme's focus on developing scholar-practitioners is a unique feature that sets it apart from other postgraduate programmes.

The DBA programme is aimed at individuals with extensive managerial or executive experience and covers core business disciplines such as strategy, leadership, and organisational behaviour. Participants can also specialise in finance, marketing, or entrepreneurship.

The programme is committed to developing scholar-practitioners who can engage with theoretical frameworks and apply this knowledge to design and implement innovative, research-based strategies. The academic rigour of the DBA programme is unparalleled. Participants will delve into their fields' latest research, theories, and practices. They will also be able to conduct their research and contribute to the body of knowledge in their respective fields.

The programme fosters effective leadership in diverse professional settings, and its graduates are well-equipped to take on leadership roles in academia, industry, and beyond. In conclusion, the DBA programme is a rigorous programme that equips experienced professionals with the skills and knowledge they need to make significant contributions to their fields. The programme's focus on developing scholar-practitioners sets it apart from other doctoral programmes, and its graduates are well-prepared to take on leadership roles and positively impact academia, industry, and beyond.

— WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

Programme modules

This programme consists of 3 modules — 3 mandatory and 0 optional.

01	Business Research Methods BMB714D	MANDATORY	6 cr
02	Dissertation 1 (Proposal) BMB715D	MANDATORY	6 cr
03	Dissertation 2 (Defence) BMB716D	MANDATORY	6 cr

— INSIDE THE PROGRAMME

Your Learning Journey

1 What You Will Achieve

The DBA programme equips students with interdisciplinary skills to analyse real-world business challenges. It emphasises leadership, strategic planning, and effective communication to navigate complex environments and drive positive impact through informed decision-making and strategic leadership.

- Candidates apply comprehensive, integrated knowledge of core principles of business management, marketing, finance, and technology to analyse current global challenges.
- Students conduct ethical, innovative, academic research to evaluate practical business performance, management, and organisational issues.
- By employing an integrated understanding of leadership, strategic planning, ethics, and global trends, participants develop approaches that innovate practice and performance in business.
- Finally, they communicate research findings, business analyses, evaluations, strategic plans, and proposals to advance global change in the profession.

2 How You Will Learn

Acacia University is a US-based institution accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC), based in Phoenix, Arizona. The DBA is delivered entirely online. The award is a US doctoral degree.

3 How You Will Be Assessed

The advanced entry stage is assessed through three capstone courses:

- **Business Research Methods** — assessed through coursework and research design activities preparing you for doctoral-level inquiry.
- **Dissertation 1 (Proposal)** — you will develop and submit a formal doctoral dissertation proposal for academic review and approval.
- **Dissertation 2 (Defence)** — you will complete and defend your doctoral dissertation, demonstrating original research and contribution to knowledge in your chosen field of business.

Note: If Dissertation 1 or Dissertation 2 is not completed and passed in the term in which you initially enrolled, Acacia University requires re-enrolment in a continuation course each eight-week term until completed. Additional continuation fees apply at the doctoral tuition rate. Please confirm current fee structures directly with Acacia University.

— ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Who can apply

Entry to Doctorate of Business Administration (Advanced Entry).

- ✓ Completion of the LIBT Postgraduate Doctoral Diploma in Strategic Leadership and Management (Level 8).
- ✓ A master's degree from an accredited college or university, verified by an original transcript signed and certified by the Registrar or responsible officer of the awarding institution. Applicants submitting transcripts from non-US institutions may be required to have their transcript evaluated by a NACES member agency.
- ✓ Applicants must currently hold or have held a professional position relevant to the intended field of study.
- ✓ An updated and detailed CV or résumé.
- ✓ Proof of identity — valid passport or government-issued ID.
- ✓ A personal statement of 300 to 500 words covering: your reasons for pursuing the doctorate; your career goals; how the DBA will help you meet those goals; and prior experiences relevant to the programme.
- ✓ English language: IELTS 6.5 or equivalent. Applicants who hold a master's degree from an English-medium institution are exempt from this requirement.

- ✓ An online interview may be required at Acacia University's discretion as part of the admissions process.

— FAIR FEES BY COUNTRY

Contact us with your country of residence to get the local fee

Reduced fees apply for residents of upper-middle and lower-income economies — contact us to get more details on the discount that applies to your country.

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