BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT (BPHD)

Graduate Degree Program
R.H. Smith School of Business

Abstract

Founded in 1856, the University of Maryland is located on 1,250-acre suburban campus eight miles from Washington, D.C. and 35 miles from Baltimore. Washington, D.C. and the surrounding region offers unparalleled professional opportunities as well as a rich culture and recreational resources. This region is home to numerous federal agencies, universities, global corporations, and national and international nonprofit organizations. Robert H. Smith School of Business is one of 13 schools and colleges at the University of Maryland - one of the top-20 public research universities. This powerful combination makes Smith the ideal place to pursue a business doctoral degree.

The primary mission of Smith PhD is to produce individuals who will contribute to the discovery and dissemination of scientific knowledge through continued careers in research, publishing, and teaching at high quality research-oriented universities and research-oriented non-academic institutions throughout the world. In carrying out this mission, it is recognized that we operate in a knowledge-based economy that is being transformed by information technology.

Graduates of the program have accepted positions at various academic institutions including: Boston College, College of William and Mary, Cornell University, Columbia University, Georgetown University,Georgia Institute of Technology, Harvard, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology,Indiana University, Instituto de Empresa (Madrid), Lehigh University, McGill University, National Taiwan University, National University of Singapore, Notre Dame, Penn State University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Southern Methodist University, Syracuse University, Texas A & M University, University of Houston, University of California (Davis), University of California (Los Angeles), University of Southern California, University of Texas, University of Washington, University of Wisconsin, and Vanderbilt University.

We offer 9 fields of study, which require individual application:

- Accounting and Information Assurance
- Finance
- Information Systems
- Managerial Economics
- Marketing (Behavioral and Quantitative)
- Organizational Behavior/Human Resource Management
- Operations Management/Management Science
- Supply Chain Management
- Strategic Management & Entrepreneurship

Financial Assistance

Financial support is available to doctoral students in the form of fellowships, graduate assistantships, and scholarships. 98% of our students receive funding from Smith PhD. Students not funded by the program are typically funded by government or military scholarships, which are guaranteed for five years. Applications are considered first for quality with the assumption that funding is required from Smith PhD. Only after rendering an admissions decision will funding be considered and evaluated. Information about financial support is located on our website (https://www.rhsmith.umd.edu/programs/phd-program/admissions/financial-support/).

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Courses: BMGT (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/courses/bmgt/)

ADMISSIONS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/))

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT)
- GRE Subject (optional)
- CV/Resume
- Supplementary Application (https://gradschool.umd.edu/sites/gradschool.umd.edu/files/uploads/admissionsforms/umdsupplementaryapplicationbphd.pdf) (optional, up to 2)
- Writing Samples (optional, up to 2)
- Description of Research/Work Experience (optional)

Prospective applicants may call (301) 405-2214 or email businessphd@rhsmith.umd.edu for information regarding the Ph.D. program

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline
Domestic Applicants	
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	December 18, 2026
International Applicants	
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A,E,G,H,I and L visas and immigrants	December 18, 2026

RESOURCES AND LINKS:

Other Deadlines: rhsmith.umd.edu/apply (https://www.rhsmith.umd.edu/apply/)
Program Website: rhsmith.umd.edu/programs (https://www.rhsmith.umd.edu/programs/)

Application Process: gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/application-process/step-step-guide-applying (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/application-process/step-step-guide-applying/)

REQUIREMENTS

- Business and Management, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/business-management-bphd/business-management-phd/)

FACILITIES AND SPECIAL RESOURCES

The Robert H. Smith School of Business offers a PhD Program Suite, where every student has access to office space and supplies. Students have access to software and research computing tools.