FDU Vancouver Graduate Admissions

Graduate Programs

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FDU Vancouver Campus offers Master level degree programs that are designed to enhance the professional and career skills of graduate students. Our programs are two years long and can be taken full-time on the Vancouver campus.

Admission to the master's programs is competitive. Meeting minimum requirements may not guarantee entry to the program. In order to maintain the quality and integrity of the programs, the Vancouver Campus sets the number of seats to fill each semester and only a selected number of applicants will receive offers of admission. We give applicants a broad-based review and apply specific entrance criteria including previous overall academic performance, English proficiency, professional experience, academic writing ability, and others.

Please check the program-specific admission information on our website.

Master of Administrative Science (MAS)

Admission Requirements*

- 1. Graduated from an accredited 4-year bachelor's degree program or equivalent.
- 2. Maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 ("B") in their undergraduate studies.
- 3. Demonstrated proficiency in the <u>English language</u> (for international students whose first language is not English or who did not complete their degrees in the US or Canada).

Students who meet the MAS English proficiency admissions requirement equivalent* to IELTS of 6.5 across all bands will be placed directly into the MAS program without further testing. As part of the MAS program, they will take EPS 6299, Graduate Research Seminar, in addition to MADS 6600, MADS 6601, and MADS 6602 in their first trimester."

Students who do not meet the MAS English proficiency admissions requirements but have an equivalent overall IELTS of 6.5 or higher with no band below 6.0, will test and must receive 15 or higher in the EPT to be placed in the FAR program. Students who are placed in FAR will take EPS 5299 in addition to MADS 6600 and MADS 6601 in their first trimester.

*Students submitting scores from TOEFL Home Edition, PTE Academic Online, or iTEP will be required to take the EPT.

Application Deadlines*

Application and all required supporting documents must be submitted by the application deadline for the term:

Fall (September) Term: April 30

Spring (January) Term: August 31

Summer (May) Term: December 31

*Subject to change, please check here for the updates.

Required Documents

Copies of the documents must be submitted together with the online application.

1. Attested or official **transcripts**, academic records, diplomas, national examination results, certificates, or degrees received from all post-secondary institutions, universities,

and/or professional schools. If the documents are not in English, a certified translation is required. *

Students from India: Please note that we do not accept consolidated mark sheets. Individual mark sheets showing all attempts, failures, and retakes are required. Please submit your Backlog Summary together with your transcripts

- 2. "Optional"—**Two (2) recommendation letters**. At least one letter should be related to academic ability.
- 3. **Answers to 3 essay questions outlining your personal interests and career goals.** You will add these answers when filling out the online application form.
 - Question 1 How do you think this Graduate Degree can help you achieve your career goals? (400 or more words)
 - 2. **Question 2** Please describe your greatest achievement. (up to 200 words)
 - 3. **Question 3** What motivates and inspires you? (up to 200 words)
 - 4. FDU uses the answers to these questions to evaluate if you are the right fit for the program. We also use it to evaluate your writing skills. Please write a genuine response to each of the questions.
- 4. Proof of English Proficiency if your first language is not English or you did not complete your degree in the US or Canada.
- 5. Copy of information page in your valid passport.
- 6. Resume (recommended)

Admission Procedures

Admission into the MAS program is highly competitive and is constrained by strict deadlines. All applicants who applied for the term are evaluated and ranked with selected students receiving an offer of admission into the program. Each intake is unique and depends on the number of seats available in the term, as well as the number and quality of applicants.

The Admissions team will not be able to provide application status updates before the admission decision deadlines (see above) due to the competitive nature of the selection process.

Applying for Transfer Credits

If you have completed a master's degree at a recognized post-secondary institution within the last 5 years and you would like to apply for transfer credits, you will need to identify the courses that you want to request the transfer credits for from the course list of the MAS degree. The coursework you completed should meet the requirements for level, length, and grade. To qualify for the transfer credits, you should have completed coursework that is equivalent to 3 academic credits, and you should have received a grade equivalent of a "B" or higher (3.0 on a 4.0 points GPA scale). The course should be at least 80% similar to the equivalent course offered at FDU. FDU Course descriptions can be found on the MAS program page.

You can apply for transfer credits by uploading the <u>Application for Transfer Credits</u> <u>Consideration</u> to your Applicant's portal with the list of courses you request transfer for. You will also be required to provide the official university transcript and the course syllabus from your university to be reviewed by the Program Coordinators for the School of Administrative Science. The maximum allowed number of transfer credits is 9 (3 courses) but no more than 6 (2 courses) in the specialization area. The form and supporting documents must be submitted to Admissions no later than four weeks before the program's start date, as indicated in the Letter of Acceptance.

Master of Hospitality Management Studies (MHMS)

Candidates for admission to the Master of Hospitality Management Studies degree program could be managers, business owners, or educators or hold other professional positions related to the hospitality industry. The credentials required for admission as a matriculated student include the following:

Admission Requirements

- 1. Graduated from an accredited 4-year bachelor's degree program or equivalent.
- 2. Maintained a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 ("B-") or equivalent in their undergraduate studies.
- 3. Demonstrated proficiency, both written and verbal of the English Language (for international students whose first language is not English or who did not complete their degrees in the US or Canada).
- 4. Industry work experience preferred (applicants without industry work experience may be required to take foundation courses HRTM 6100 and HRTM 6200 upon evaluation).

Application Deadlines

Application and all required supporting documents must be submitted by the application deadline for the term:

Fall (September) term – April 30

Spring (January) term - August 31

*Subject to change, please check here for the updates.

Required Documents

Copies of the documents must be submitted together with the online application.

- Attested or official transcripts, academic records, diplomas, national examination
 results, certificates, or degrees received from all post-secondary institutions, universities,
 and/or professional schools. If the documents are not in English, a certified translation is
 required.
- 2. **Answers to 3 essay questions outlining your personal interests and career goals.** You will add these answers when filling out the online application form.

- Question 1 How do you think this Graduate Degree can help you achieve your career goals? (400 or more words)
- o **Question 2** Please describe your greatest achievement. (up to 200 words)
- o **Question 3** What motivates and inspires you? (up to 200 words)
- FDU uses the answers to these questions to evaluate if you are the right fit for the program. We also use it to evaluate your writing skills. Please write a genuine response to each of the questions.
- 3. Proof of English Proficiency if your first language is not English or you did not complete your degree in the US or Canada. For more details, please refer to the English Proficiency page.
- 4. Copy of information page in your valid passport.
- 5. Resume or portfolio.
- 6. Interview with a graduate program adviser may be required.

Admission Procedures

Admission to the MHMS program is competitive and is based on the "rolling" admission model.

Applications are evaluated by both the Admissions team and the International School of Hospitality and Tourism Management.

An interview with the Program Advisor may be required before the decision on the admission can be made. The Admissions team will notify applicants and schedule the interview if needed.

The Assistant Director of Enrollment Management for this program will notify applicants and schedule the interview if needed.

Master of Science in Applied Computer Science (MSACS)

Admission Requirements

- 1. Graduation from an accredited 4-year bachelor's degree program with an equivalent of a minimum grade point average of 2.75 (B-) on a 4.0 scale.
 - Students with lower GPAs can be considered for admission after a broad-based review of their overall academic profile and in combination with related work experience.
- 2. Demonstrated proficiency in the communication of the <u>English language</u> (for international students whose first language is not English).

Please note: As of September 20, 2023, the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores have been officially removed from our admission requirements. Students applying to the Summer 2024 term are not required to provide the GRE as part of their application package to the MSACS program.

The FDU-Vancouver license to offer the **Master of Science in Applied Computer Science** to students from **Iran** is under review by the U.S. authorities. Due to the uncertainty around the outcome of this review, FDU-V **is not** offering new admissions to Iranian students into the MSACS until this review is completed.

Direct Admission

MSACS students who have an English proficiency test score equivalent to IELTS 6.5 across all bands are placed directly into the MSACS program without further testing. In the first term, they take a course load of nine academic credits: EPS 5299 and two MSACS courses.

MSACS program students who have a minimum English proficiency test score equivalent to IELTS 6.5 overall, no band below 6.0, will take the FDU English Placement Test (EPT) before registration.

- Students scoring 15.0 or higher on the EPT are placed into the MSACS program and take EPS 5299 with two (6 credits) MSACS academic courses in their first term.
- Students who score between 11.0 and 14.0 on the EPT are placed in the Pre-Master's Program for one term to improve their academic English proficiency. During this term, they take one (3-credit) MSACS academic course along with EPS 5099.

Students who receive a waiver or transfer credit for EPS 5299, can take three CSCI courses in their first term.

Students may transfer up to nine credits from other accredited institutions for courses completed within the last five years. The courses must have earned a grade of B or better and align with program requirements and FDU policies. To apply for transfer credit, students submit the Application for Transfer Credits Consideration to Admissions no later than four weeks before the program's start date, as indicated in the Letter of Acceptance.

Application Deadlines

Application and all required supporting documents must be submitted by the application deadline for the term:

Fall (September) term – February 16 (updated)

Spring (January) term – August 31

Summer (May) term – December 31

Please note that deadlines are subject to change due to seat capacity. We strongly recommend applying as early as possible.

We encourage all applicants to regularly check for updates regarding Application Deadlines.

Required Documents

Copies of the documents must be submitted together with the online application.

- Attested or official transcripts, academic records, diplomas, national examination results, certificates, or degrees received from all post-secondary institutions, universities, and/or professional schools. If the documents are not in English, a certified translation is required.
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- 2. Proof of English Proficiency if your first language is not English or you did not complete your degree in the US, Canada, or any country listed on FDU's exemption list. For more details please refer to the English Proficiency page.
- 3. Copy of the information page in your valid passport.
- 4. Resume (recommended).
- 5. Optional- Three (3) recommendation letters.
- 6. Optional-Official GRE test score results (FDU-Vancouver code 2818)

Admission Procedures

The admission process to the MSACS program is highly competitive and is constrained by strict deadlines. All applicants for the term undergo thorough evaluation and ranking, with successful candidates receiving an offer of admission into the program. The uniqueness of each intake is determined by the available seats for the term and the overall caliber of applicants.

Please note that the Admissions team cannot provide application status updates before the specified admission decision deadlines per term. This limitation is attributed to the competitive nature of the selection process.

Applicants will be advised if they require any prerequisite courses prior to matriculation into the program at the time of admission.

An interview with the Program Advisor may be required before the decision on the admission can be made. Applicants will be notified if an interview is necessary.