Admissions Qualifications
for the
Purdue Fort Wayne
Doermer School of Business MBA

ADMISSION CRITERIA

As the only AACSB-accredited business school in the region, Purdue Fort Wayne seeks to recruit top applicants. The Doermer School strives to enroll a student body with a variety of skills and backgrounds that will work together to foster personal and professional growth in a dynamic learning environment.

We conduct a holistic review of each application. Our admissions office considers an applicant's academic record, employment experience, recommendations, and test scores. We are especially interested in evidence of strong academic performance and a brief, clear statement of purpose.

For our Professional MBA program, we require the following:

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university
- Three or more years of progressively responsible, professional work experience
- Two letters of recommendation
- All official transcripts from universities or colleges attended
- Candidate statement
- Quantitative Assessment Test (in-house diagnostic test conducted at time of interview)
- Interview with MBA Director

For our MBA+ program, we require the following:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Two letters of recommendation
- All official transcripts from universities or colleges attended
- Candidate statement
- GMAT, GRE or approved GMAT waiver
- Interview with MBA Director

For international applicants, in addition to the above, we require proof of English proficiency through one of the following:

1. Test of English as a Foreign Language
   A. TOEFL iBT Overall Score Required: 80
      With the following minimum section requirements:
      Reading: 19
      Listening: 14
      Speaking: 18
      Writing: 18
   B. TOEFL Paper-Delivered Test – no overall score reported
      With the following minimum section requirements:
      Reading: 19
      Listening: 14
      Writing: 18
C. International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
   Minimum overall score required (Academic Module): 6.5
   With the following section requirements:
   Reading: 6.5
   Listening: 6.0
   Speaking: 6.0
   Writing: 5.5

D. The Graduate School will consider applicants who have (a) enrolled at one of the following intensive English programs and (b) satisfied the exit requirements established for the program as having met the Graduate School’s English proficiency requirement:

   - Purdue University Calumet English Language Program (ELP) Exit Requirement: achieve a minimum 80% (Level 4 examination) and pass an Exit Test (consisting of speaking and writing components).

   - Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) Program for Intensive English (PIE) Exit Requirement: pass all classes with grades of at least B (82%), and pass the PIE Proficiency Exit Test at the Level 7 level.

   - For Purdue Fort Wayne applicants only, the Graduate School will consider applicants who have enrolled in ELS Language Center’s English for Academic Purposes program and who have passed ELS Level 112 as having met the Graduate School’s weeks of intensive study using curricular materials written at the native speaker level (approximately 360 hours of classroom instruction in speaking, listening, reading, writing); completion of an extensive research paper using standard research protocols in a monitored setting; Passing of the Michigan English Language Institute College English Test (MELICET) and Listening Comprehension Test (LCT) standards; passing of speaking evaluations; passing of writing evaluation. These results must be certified, in writing, by ELS Language Center to the Fort Wayne graduate office before applicants using this method of establishing English proficiency may be admitted to the Graduate School.

   These results must be certified, in writing, by the intensive English program faculty to the Office of Graduate Admissions at West Lafayette or the equivalent office at the regional campuses before the applicants using this method of establishing English proficiency may be admitted to the Graduate School. (Note that ELS is available at the Fort Wayne campus only.)

   Conditional admission may also be extended to applicants prior to their enrollment in one of these approved intensive English programs if they commit to and enroll in the program. Conditional admission is for English proficiency only.

To remain in good standing, all MBA students (PMBA or MBA+) must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA or above as a condition of continued enrollment.