

WISCONSIN MBA ORIENTATION

Schedule and Session Overviews

All sessions will be accessible and recorded in Blackboard Collaborate. Recordings of sessions will be accessible in your Canvas Account, which you can find from your new [my.wisc.edu](https://go.wisc.edu/r4zw4n) account or clicking here: <https://go.wisc.edu/r4zw4n>

When participating in sessions, please keep in mind:

- Links to all live sessions are below, you can also find the links in your Canvas account
- Try to join 5-10 minutes prior to session start time to make sure your technology is working
- Upon logging in, please mute your microphone and only unmute when you are sharing
- Have your video on *unless* you are experiencing connection issues – dress appropriately
- Find a quiet space without interruptions or background noise
- Adjust your camera to be at around eye level if possible – especially take note of the angle of your laptop screen if using the built-in camera.
- If there is pre-work for any of the sessions, you should have received an email with more information
- If you have not used Blackboard before, you can visit [this link](#) to watch a tutorial for best practices and to familiarize yourself with any features you may need to use on the day – mute/unmute microphone, stop/start video, etc.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 through FRIDAY AUGUST 21

Optional modules are available to all students, including Excel, Python, R, and Business Writing

Access modules here: canvas.wisc.edu/courses/66945 (Find the section called “Pre-Orientation Training Modules”)

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

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9:00 – 10:15 a.m. MBA LAUNCH

Access session here: <https://go.wisc.edu/v7yb35>

Welcome from the Dean

Vallabh Sambamurthy, Dean, Wisconsin School of Business

Charge to the Students

Enno Siemsen, Associate Dean MBA and Master's Programs

Partnerships = Success

Blair Sanford, Assistant Dean, MBA and Master's Programs

Learning the Basics, MBA Program Logistics

Mark Matosian, Director of Student Services

Receive important guidance on how to access online resources, review degree plans and learn about valuable resources both in Grainger and on campus. Participate in an interactive session to review the honor and behavioral code.

BREAK

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. GET TO KNOW YOUR CLASSMATES

Access session here: <https://go.wisc.edu/2z08ts>

You will get time to meet and interact with your core team members, as well as with all of your classmates in the incoming FT MBA Class of 2022.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25 through THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

Begin to explore how to lead with skill and confidence during this 3-day immersion into your MBA Leadership Development Program, the *Ignite Career Accelerator*.

Find your pre-work assignment in your Ignite Immersion Workbook on Canvas under "Orientation"

TUESDAY, AUG 25

IGNITE IMMERSION (DAY ONE)

Access session here: <https://go.wisc.edu/h95v25>



9:00 - 9:15 a.m. Overview and Immersion Kick-off

Presented by Gina Jenkins, Dir. of Career Management, MBA/Master's Programs

9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Discover Your Strengths

Facilitated by Gina Jenkins and Blair Sanford, Gallup-Certified Strengths Coaches

Utilize your results from the CliftonStrengths® Assessment and participate in an interactive session to start discovering how your natural talents enable you to be a strong and authentic leader.

9:15 - 9:30 a.m. What is CliftonStrengths

9:30 - 9:45 a.m. At my Best - Begin to recognize your natural talents

9:45 - 10:45 a.m. BREAKOUTS: Talent Maps - Define your natural talents

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11:00 - 12:00 p.m. Balconies and Basements - Perceptions of Strengths

12:00 - 12:30 p.m. Closing and Share-outs, Next Steps for Day 2

WEDNESDAY, AUG 26

IGNITE IMMERSION (DAY TWO)

Access session here: <https://go.wisc.edu/95a78s>

9:00 - 10:45 a.m. Cultural Dexterity: Binu Hill, Assist. Dean for D&I

Explore the leadership and business case for inclusion and diversity, as well as cultural dexterity as a critical business skill.

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Becoming an MBA - Career Management Foundation

Begin developing your MBA internship strategy, meet the career management team and learn how you can make an impact in your job search on Day 1.

THURSDAY, AUG 27

IGNITE IMMERSION (DAY THREE)

Access session here: <https://go.wisc.edu/zz3z5o>

9:00 - 12:15 p.m. Emotional Intelligence Overview with Robin Ross

12:15 - 12:30 p.m. IGNITE Immersion Conclusion

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

YOUR CENTER DAY: *Enjoy a customized schedule hosted by your knowledge center.*

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