

MBA/MS Telecommunications Dual Degree

An MBA degree in combination with the MS degree in the Technology, Cybersecurity and Policy (TCP) program will provide you with a set of business tools to complement your technology skills and can expand your career options. The MBA/MS offers you the opportunity to earn both degrees together in less time than if the degrees were earned sequentially.

Note: residents of Western states, including Alaska and Hawaii, may be eligible for instate tuition for this dual degree program. Please see the Western Regional Graduate Program information sheet (download the WRGP handout) at http://wrgp.wiche.edu/ or contact the Tuition Classification Officer in the Office of the Registrar at 303-492-0907; email tuit.class@registrar.colorado.edu

Admission to the Dual Degree Program

- Students must apply to and meet the application requirements for each program separately.
 The Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) will be used as the standardized
 examination for both admissions processes. If the GRE has been taken it will be used for
 admission to ITP.
- 2. Students must meet the admissions standards for each program separately.
- 3. Dual degree students may start either program first; however, in the first year of the dual degree program, courses are taken in one of the two units exclusively, and in the second year, courses are taken in the other unit exclusively. It is strongly recommended that dual degree students begin the TCP program first.

Description of Curriculum

- 1. If a dual degree student starts in the MS degree in TCP program, the first year of study will be only TCP courses. During the degree, the following courses will be required to complete as defined by TCP at the time of matriculation:
 - a. 6 credits of foundational TCP coursework
 - b. 12 credits of core TCP coursework
 - c. 6 credits of advanced elective TCP coursework
 - d. 6 credits of capstone sequence coursework or 4-6 credits of master's thesis
 - e. 2 credits of TCP seminar
- 2. TCP requires at least 26 specific credit hours to earn the degree and will accept 6 hours from the MBA program for students in the dual program completing the required 32 credits.
- 3. Dual degree students who start in the TCP program first will enroll in the following MBA courses during the second year in the program (31 credits):

Quantitative Methods Financial Accounting
Socially Responsible Enterprise Decision Modeling

Managerial Economics I & II Strategy

Marketing Management Professional Development I & II

Corporate Finance Two business electives

If a dual degree student starts his or her first year in the business school, the above two steps are reversed.

- 4. MBA requirements to be taken during the 3rd or 4th year (12 credits)
 - Organizational Management requirement (3 credits). Choice of Managing Organizational Change, Negotiation & Conflict Management, Executive Leadership or Consulting Skills
 - 3 Business electives to complete a total of 43 MBA hours
- 5. All remaining coursework required for Master of Science in TCP will be taken during the third or fourth year.

Graduation Requirements

- 1. Dual degree students will be required to complete 43 hours of MBA coursework and 32 hours of TCP coursework, for a total of 75 hours in both programs.
- 2. Both degrees must be awarded simultaneously.
- 3. Dual degree students must maintain the academic and ethical standards required of both schools. Students in good standing in one school, but not the other, may be allowed to continue in the school in which they are in good standing.
- 4. Students who do not complete the dual degree program requirements (i.e., who withdraw for any reason from one of the two programs) will be required to meet the full requirements of the remaining program in which they are enrolled.

MBA Admissions Process

Students who are already enrolled in the graduate program in Interdisciplinary Telecom and plan to apply for this dual degree opportunity, will need to start their preparations during the first year of graduate study.

- o Prepare for and take the GMAT or GRE if you have not yet taken it.
- Complete the on-line application at https://leeds.apply.colorado.edu/apply. This will include:
 - Responses to several essay questions
 - A professional resume
 - Two professional (not academic) recommendations.

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