DUAL DEGREE M.D./M.B.A. PROGRAM

Overview

The M.D./M.B.A. program is a dual degree program where medical students have the opportunity to concurrently earn both a Master's of Business Administration (M.B.A.) from The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) and a Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degree from The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UT Health) over the course of five years. Students complete both the M.B.A. and M.D. curriculum in full, though shared credits may be available for specified courses.

Admission Requirements

Students must meet all entrance requirements for admission to UTSA Masters of Business Administration program per the UTSA annual Information Bulletin, which is available online via the UTSA website. The Long School of Medicine retains the right to 1) set eligibility requirements for application based on performance within the MD curriculum and 2) set limits on numbers of students that can apply each academic year. Students may substitute their scores from the MCAT in lieu of the GMAT. Students are responsible for informing the Long School of Medicine of their application to the M.B.A. program. The Long School of Medicine will send a letter of support for their applicants to UTSA.

Degree Requirements

Students will be held to the degree requirements set by both institutions, to include:

- Students admitted to the M.B.A. program or the M.D. program will be expected to meet the degree requirements as published in the UTSA Graduate Catalog or the UT Health SA Catalog, respectively. Once those requirements are met in the respective programs, the students will be eligible to receive the M.B.A. and/or the M.D. degree.

- Progress and academic standing in one program does not affect progress in the other program, although shared credit is only granted for courses satisfactorily completed. However, if a student in the program does not complete the requirements of the M.D. program, the student may complete the M.B.A. program by fulfilling all the requirements of the M.B.A. program.

Program Policies

The UT Health Long School of Medicine M.D. curriculum is guided by best educational practices. The four-year curriculum integrates basic and clinical sciences, vertically and horizontally, incorporates active learning principles and pedagogies, fosters the development of self-directed learning skills and appraisal, and inculcates the concept of lifelong learning, incorporating the use of interactive technologies.

The M.D./M.B.A. program expects students who are pursuing the dual degree to maintain standards of academic excellence, to progress in a timely fashion toward both the M.D. and M.B.A. degrees, and to maintain professionalism. Students will be subject to the academic guidelines of both the Long School of Medicine and UTSA.

Students who are enrolled in the dual degree program should be aware of the registration, tuition and fees and, financial aid procedures for each institution. Additional policies include:

- Each student shall be responsible for payment of tuition at each institution at which the student is enrolled. The students may be assessed any special fees relevant to enrollment in courses at each institution. Such fees may include building use fees, laboratory use fees, professional liability insurance and health insurance, along with any other fees routinely charged to students enrolled in such course. Students are required to provide proof of immunizations to each institution.

- Both institutions agree to determine the appropriateness of enrollment and continued financial support for students accepted to the program, including coordination of financial aid awards for students completing both degree in five years.

- Students must be registered at UTSA during the semesters in which they are 1) utilizing any of the UTSA resources, including faculty time and effort, 2) submitting a research proposal to the Research Services Office (if applicable), 3) carrying out the culminating experience/thesis work, and 4) completing the degree requirements at UTSA for the M.B.A.

The policies and procedures of the dual degree program may be amended from time to time, including but not limited to those relating to registration, tuition and fees, and degree requirements. Policies and procedures shall apply to each student enrolled in UTSA and UT Health's degree program.