

# MBA-Agribusiness

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- **Application Deadline:**  
Applications are reviewed on a rolling admission basis for the intended or next available term.
- **Credential Offered:**  
M.B.A.
- **Test Requirement:**  
GMAT or GRE\*\*
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**  
TOEFL ibt 79; IELTS 6.5; Duolingo 105

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Agribusiness program at North Dakota State University is a non-thesis, professional program designed to meet the educational needs of current and future agribusiness leaders. The program carves a niche at the intersection of business and agriculture, drawing on the resources and expertise of both the College of Business and the Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics. It accommodates full- and part-time students, including working professionals, and focuses on preparing managers of agribusiness firms to make decisions that consider factors unique to agribusiness. Examples may include:

- production volatility caused by weather, pests, and biology
- logistics disruptions
- seasonality in production and consumption
- long investment and production cycles
- linkages with the government, financial institutions, and other organizations

In addition to these industry-specific topics, the program also provides a solid background in business, emphasizing the practicalities of managing agribusiness organizations. Graduates of the program can expect to gain high quality general business management skills along with in-depth knowledge of agribusiness and agricultural industries.

## Financial Assistance

The College of Business and the Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics offer financial assistance through a limited number of graduate assistantships and scholarships. Assistantships include a stipend and graduate base-tuition waiver in return for work within the college. The tuition waiver is limited to eligible graduate course work. Awards are competitive and administered on a case-by-case basis.

## GMAT/GRE\*\*

Individuals seeking admission to the MBA in Agribusiness program may request a waiver of the GMAT/GRE requirement if they meet one of the following requirements:

- The applicant has a cumulative post-secondary GPA of 3.5 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) from an accredited or otherwise recognized institution of higher education.
- The applicant has successfully completed two or more post-secondary degrees (bachelor's level or higher).

- The applicant holds a terminal degree (e.g., PhD, EdD, MD, JD, etc.).
- The applicant has substantial post-baccalaureate professional work experience (typically a minimum of five (5) years), including demonstrated leadership ability.

Appropriate documentation (i.e. official transcript(s), resume) is required to be uploaded to the application file. It does not, however, guarantee a waiver. Applicants requesting an exam waiver are reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and waiver approval is determined at the discretion of the MBA program coordinator and/or director.