



Full-time or part-time: Which MBA Format Is the right fit for me?

Making the decision to pursue your Master of Business Administration (MBA) is a big decision that has the ability to propel your career forward, or enable you to change the direction of your job. An MBA can open new opportunities to grow in your role and lead the way to a higher salary.

Choosing to earn your MBA can support your goal of advancing at work or in your career overall. One of the first choices you will need to make when deciding on an MBA program is what type of format you want to pursue. Students in our MBA program "CSR & NGO Management" are free to opt between two-time formats: full-time or part-time.

Every student's situation is unique - your classmates may be on different tracks, or have different goals and family or financial situations, so there's no one universally right choice; there's only the right path for you.

Which MBA program format is right for you?

After evaluating the two types of MBA formats in our program "CSR & NGO Management", it comes down to personal preference, professional circumstances, and career ambitions. Ask yourself these questions:

- Can I afford to study full-time or do I need to continue earning an income while pursuing my MBA?
- Do I need to complete my MBA degree within a set timeframe?
- What personal commitments do I currently have and how much flexibility do I need in my class schedule?
- Do I want to study without leaving my current job?
- Is my plan to switch careers or industries after I complete my MBA?
- Will I learn better if I am able to apply my learnings into the real world right away?

Depending on how you answer these questions, one MBA of the two formats may stand out to you as the right fit, which will enable you to focus on the relevant next career goal.

Full-Time MBA program typically takes 18 months (= 3 semesters) to complete.

The full-time program is ideal for professionals who are in a position to take time away from the workforce to pursue an advanced degree or those who intend to change their professional direction. Seminars of the MBA program are scheduled Fridays and Saturdays only – with the exception of the "Welcome-Week" and "Intensive-Week" at the beginning of the 1st and 3rd semester respectively:



3 Semester Study Format (full-time schedule)

							ECTS	SWH*		
Preparatory Courses (Optional: Academic Writing and Practical Term 0 CP; Compulsory: Practical Term 30 CP)							30	-		
1	Basics of CSR & NGO Management (8 ECTS)	General Management 1 (5 ECTS)	General Management 2 (6 ECTS)	General Management 3 (5 ECTS)	General Management 4 (6 ECTS)		30	14.5		
2		General Management 5 (5 ECTS)	CSR & NGO Management (12 ECTS)		External Environment: Economics (6 ECTS)	External Environment: Politics and Ethics (6 ECTS)		30	14.5	
3						Electives (6 ECTS)	Coaching / Master Thesis Writing (5 ECTS)	Master's Thesis (20 ECTS)	30	5.5
							90	34.5		

*SWH = contact hour(s) per week per semester

Part-time MBA program typically takes 30 months (= 5 semesters) to complete.

As most MBA-students are fully employed with a busy schedule, studying during the weekends can be a challenging enterprise. For that reason, the MBA offers the part-time option in which the overall study time is expanded from 3 to 5 semesters. As the program is organized in modules, a part-time-student would study only half the modules offered each semester, as shown in the schedule below:

5 Semester Study Format (part-time schedule)

							ECTS	SWH*	
Preparatory Course (Optional: Academic Writing and Practical Term 0 CP; Compulsory: Practical Term 30 CP)							30	-	
1	Basics of CSR & NGO Management (8 ECTS)		General Management 2 (6 ECTS)		General Management 4 (6 ECTS)		20	10.5	
2		General Management 5 (5 ECTS)			External Environment: Economics (6 ECTS)	External Environment: Politics and Ethics (6 ECTS)	14	9	
3		General Management 1 (5 ECTS)		General Management 3 (5 ECTS)		Electives (6 ECTS)	19	9	
4			CSR & NGO Management (12 ECTS)				16	5.5	
5						Coaching / Master Thesis Writing (5 ECTS)	Master's Thesis (20 ECTS)	21	0,5
							90	34.5	

*SWH = contact hour(s) per week per semester

Financial plan

The tuition fee for the entire 3-semester program is EUR 14.640 (3 instalments of EUR 4.880 per semester). Every additional semester needed to finalize the MBA won't be charged with extra tuition fees. However, you need to pay the semester contribution for every additional semester. The payment plan is not affected by a prolonged study period. With the start of the 3rd semester, the full amount of the tuition fee has to be paid. For the following semesters one has to pay the semester fee only:

Semester	1.Semester	2.Semester	3.Semester	4.Semester	5.Semester
Tuition Fee	4.880 EUR	4.880 EUR	4.880 EUR	-	-
Semester contribution	290 EUR	290 EUR*	290 EUR*	290 EUR	290 EUR
	5.170 EUR	5.170 EUR	5.170 EUR	290 EUR	290 EUR

The tuition fee and semester contribution are charged each semester and do not include any travel or living expenses! For more information, please check our website via study.financing.mba-csr-ngo.com.