Financial Aid for the 3/2 (Dual Degree) MBA Programs

Accounting, Human Resource Management, Computer Science or Computer Information Systems



BW offers four 3/2 (Dual Degree) MBA programs providing a very effective and efficient way to earn an advanced degree while also completing an undergraduate baccalaureate program. These dual degree programs enable **full-time students** to earn both their Bachelor's and Master's of Business Administration degrees with one additional year of study.

In the 4th and 5th year of study, students will be enrolled in both undergraduate and graduate level coursework. Students remain eligible to apply for financial assistance as full-time undergraduates throughout the entire 5 years.

The financial aid information provided below is based on full time enrollment throughout the student's course of study:

- Students applying for financial aid do so by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or FAFSA, <u>www.fafsa.gov</u>, for each academic year of enrollment in which they wish to be considered for financial assistance.
- Eligibility for financial aid is determined annually based on the FAFSA and can consist of grants and scholarships, loans, and campus work-study.
- **A BW merit scholarship,** awarded at the time a student is admitted to the University, does not require filing a FAFSA and may be received for up to **4 years or 8 semesters**.
- **BW need-based grants** are based on eligibility as determined from the FAFSA and may be received each year.
- Federal and state financial assistance (grants and loans) are automatically awarded based on eligibility as determined from the FASFSA and may be received each year.
- When you file the FAFSA,
 - Your *grade level* (question #29) is *always* reported as your current year in school, i.e. 4th year undergraduate/senior or 5th year/other undergraduate.
 - The *degree you are working on* (question #30) is *always* reported as your 1st bachelor's degree. You do not report that you are working a graduate or professional degree while you are still completing your 1st bachelor's degree.
 - Step Three (Student), question #47, MUST be answered 'No' to "At the beginning of the xxxx xxxx school year, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (such as an MA, MBA..., etc.)?" You do not report that you are working on a master's degree while you are still completing your 1st bachelor's degree.

Financial aid is awarded on the basis of the financial circumstances that are unique to each student/family situation and financial information as reported on the FAFSA. If you should have any questions about financial aid or financial aid eligibility specific to the 3/2 MBA programs, please feel free to contact the BW Financial Aid Office.

