

Dual degree program

MA/Sustainable International Development & MBA/Nonprofit Management

Founded as Brandeis University's first professional school in 1959, the Heller School prepares graduates for leadership and management roles in complex mission-driven organizations worldwide. Whether working in the United States or abroad, our graduates offer skills derived from rigorous academic training combined with their passion to address pressing societal issues.

The MA/MBA allows students to gain a comprehensive understanding of the state of world development and provides students with the training to address the unique management issues facing organizations whose mission is to help underserved and vulnerable populations, or to improve social and environmental outcomes more broadly.

Curriculum

The MA/MBA is an intensive two-year program, encompassing five consecutive semesters. Students develop the skills and judgment to mobilize people from diverse backgrounds, deliver quality services while using resources efficiently, and achieve organizational financial health and accountability while examining models of development to reduce poverty, hunger, environmental degradation and human inequality.

Sample sequence of courses

Fall One	Spring One	Summer
Organizational Behavior (4) Financial Accounting (4) Economics (2) Statistics (2) Social Policy Frameworks (2) Frameworks for Development (4)	Operations Management (4) Strategic Management (4) Financial Management (4) Managerial Accounting (4) Evaluation (2)	Marketing (4) Corporate Finance (2) Social Justice & Management (2) Team Consulting Project (6)
Fall Two	Spring Two	
Human Resource Management (4) Economics (4) Ecology (2) Gender (2) Planning & Implementation (4) Rights-based Development (2)	Ecology (2) Evaluation (2) Electives (8)	



Career Services

The Heller School prepares students for leadership roles in a complex, multi-cultural society. The School's academic rigor and intellectual integrity provide a solid core that will stretch to push traditional boundaries, giving students the skills and perspectives to make a difference and to have a major impact on the lives of people here and abroad. The Office of Career Services assists students in developing and implementing their career goals and works with employers to find the best talent for their organizations. The staff counsel students individually to map out career plans and strategies, assist with resume and cover letter development, offer networking contacts, and practice interviewing techniques. Heller Alumni are also supported as they develop or make transitions in their careers.

Admissions

All applications are evaluated by the Admissions Committees of both programs. If both committees recommend admission, one joint offer of admission is made. Applications to the dual degree program can be completed at <http://heller.brandeis.edu>. The Admissions Office will coordinate the application and review process between the MA and MBA programs.

Financial Aid

Financial aid to the dual degree program is based on application strength and is awarded assuming that the applicant will enroll in the dual degree program. If an applicant is offered admission to only one program, or if an applicant chooses to enroll in only one program, that program alone will offer admission and financial aid. If a student currently enrolled in either program chooses to apply, and is offered admission to the dual degree, all previous offers of financial aid for subsequent semesters are voided and a new, joint offer of admission with financial aid is made. Financial aid awards are offered in terms of a partial tuition scholarship.

Contact Us

If you have questions about the dual degree program or the application process, please contact the Heller School Admissions Office at HellerAdmissions@Brandeis.edu or 781-736-3820. You may also visit us on the web at www.heller.brandeis.edu.

Application Requirements

- [Completed Application Form](#)
- \$55 Application fee
- CV/Resume
- Statement of Purpose
- Management Problem Analysis
- Three letters of recommendation
- Official transcripts of all university-level studies
- Official GMAT score report
- Proof of English language proficiency (required for international students)

