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THE STEP-BY-STEP

TIMELINE
FOR YOUR
MBA PREPARATION

MBA APPLICATION TIMELINE

BASIC MBA ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

✓ BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER
✓ FULL-TIME WORK EXPERIENCE (MIN. 2-3 YEARS)
✓ APTITUDE TEST SCORES (GMAT/GRE/ETC.)
✓ FLUENCY IN ENGLISH (IELTS/TOEFL/ETC.)

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1 EVALUATE YOUR PROFILE
13-19 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Specify career goals
- ☐ Why an MBA?
- ☐ Are you ready?
- ☐ What type of MBA?

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/pages/profile-evaluation-important

2 RESEARCH MBA PROGRAMS
13-19 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Make a list of measurable selection criteria
- ☐ Start reviewing MBA programs

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/schoolprofiles/search

3 PREPARE FOR ADMISSION TESTS
13-19 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Course/individual tutoring + self-study and practice tests
- ☐ GMAT/GRE 100 hours (3-4 months) to prepare
- ☐ TOEFL/IELTS 50 hours (1-2 months) to prepare

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/admissions-resources

4 TAKE MBA ADMISSION TESTS
10-16 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ GRE/GMAT – score valid for 5 years
- ☐ TOEFL/IELTS – score valid for 2 years

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/pages/gmat

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5 SELECT BUSINESS SCHOOLS
9-15 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Your test scores must be higher than the average score of the program
- ☐ Realistic budget and scholarships
- ☐ Research, meet schools, get the facts
- ☐ Shortlist up to 5 B-schools

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/schoolprofiles/search

6 APPLICATION FOR A SCHOLARSHIP
5-11 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Check out all types of scholarships
- ☐ Make sure you fully meet the criteria
- ☐ Apply early

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/financing-your-studies/
best-way-finance-mba-studies

7 APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
4-11 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Start early
- ☐ Stick to the requirements of each program
- ☐ Contact the admissions office for any questions
- ☐ Select recommenders
- ☐ Start brainstorming the essays
- ☐ Create an MBA application resume/CV
- ☐ Your application package should be coherent
- ☐ Quality matters
- ☐ Submit early

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/admissions-resources/
breaking-down-mba-application-timeline

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8 ADMISSIONS INTERVIEW
4-8 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Prepare well in advance
- ☐ Practice
- ☐ Know the different interview formats

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/category/admission-interview

9 POSSIBLE OUTCOMES OF YOUR APPLICATION
3-4 MONTHS BEFORE START OF MBA

- ☐ Rejection
- ☐ Waiting list
- ☐ Conditional admission
- ☐ Admission
- ☐ Admission with a scholarship

APPLICATION PACKAGE

- ☐ University diploma and Academic transcript
- ☐ CV/Resume
- ☐ Test scores
- ☐ Recommendation letters
- ☐ Essays
- ☐ Application form

ⓘ Resources:
prepadviser.com/category/admissions-resources

PREPARE FOR MBA ADMISSION

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10 GREAT QUESTIONS TO ASK WHEN MEETING A BUSINESS SCHOOL

1. How does your MBA program compare to others?

2. What is the focus of the curriculum?

3. What electives are offered to MBA students?

4. What are the qualifications and background of your faculty?

5. What is the international and real business world exposure during the MBA?

6. What is the schedule of a typical MBA student?

7. How diverse is your student body?

8. What is the scope of your MBA career services?

9. What local and/or international companies traditionally recruit your MBA graduates?

10. What can I do to improve my chances of admission?

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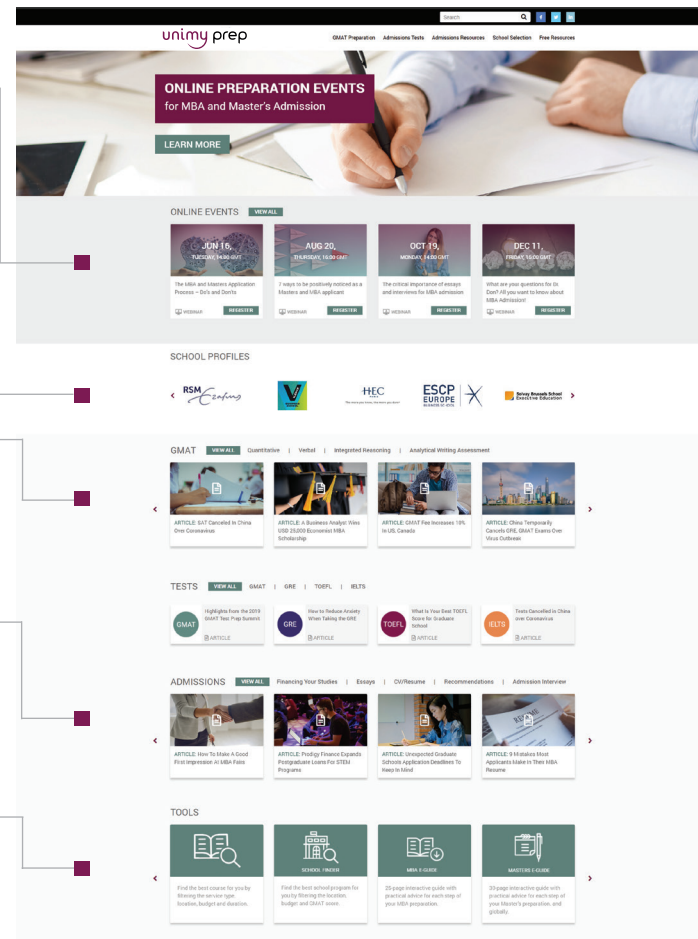Prepare to apply with the online events and tools on **PrepAdviser.com**

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