

## MBA Academic Degree Requirements: SY Class of 2019

The University of Virginia requires students to enroll in 12 credit hours each semester. Fall semester defined as Q1 and Q2, spring semester is Q3 and Q4. PLEASE NOTE: **January term courses do not count** toward the 12 credit hours required for the spring semester.

The Darden MBA credit hour degree requirements: FY = 30 credit hours / SY = 30 credit hours = **60 total credit hours**

1. Students are required to take 30 credit hours of course work in the Second Year (SY) program. Darden Worldwide Courses (DWC) taken in the FY count as a part of the 30 SY credit hours.
2. SY Leadership Requirement: A minimum of 1.5 credit hours of a leadership (LDSP) course is required in addition to the First Year Leadership requirement. Only Darden courses in the LDSP area will satisfy the Second Year Leadership Requirement.
3. No more than **4.5 credit hours** of independent studies will count toward the 30 credit hours for your SY MBA degree requirement.

### Academic Regulations & Standards

- Students under Academic Standards jurisdiction are required to have their course schedules and any drop/add forms signed by a member of the Academic Standards Committee.
- For more information on Darden academic policies, please visit the [University Graduate Record](#).

### Add/Drop Process

- Students are responsible for maintaining the accuracy of their course enrollments.

SY - Add/Drop Deadlines Class of 2019			
	First Date of Classes:	Add/Drop Opens:	Last Date to Add/Drop @ 7pm:
Q1	Monday, August 20, 2018	<b>For All Quarters @9am- Monday, August 13, 2018</b>	Friday, August 24, 2018
Q2	Wednesday, October 17, 2018		Tuesday, October 23, 2018
J-Term	Monday, January 7, 2019		Tuesday, December 4, 2018
Q3	Monday, January 14, 2019		Tuesday, January 22, 2019
E Q4	Monday, March 18, 2019		Monday, March 4, 2019
Q4	Monday, March 25, 2019		Tuesday, April 2, 2019

*Darden reserves the right to cancel or adjust classes. Examples include – if class minimum enrollments are not met and/or faculty availability.*

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### Auditing a Darden School Elective

To audit a Darden elective, you must obtain the written permission of the instructor. **Students are not permitted to audit courses that are at capacity.** The grade of AU will appear on your transcript for an audit course only if:

- a. Participation is at a LP level or better in the work of the course with the exception of preparing written work and/or taking exams.
- b. The entire course is audited and not just a part of it.

### Credit Hour Overload Request:

In rare, special circumstances, it may be possible to take more than 30 credit hours in the SY. It is our experience that students taking an overload have difficulty finding the time and energy required to reap the full benefit of the program. However, there are situations in which a student's career plans make taking an overload desirable. Therefore, permission to take an overload may be granted on a limited basis to students with both compelling career-oriented reasons and the demonstrated ability to handle a heavier-than-recommended workload. Note that if granted, overloads must be carried through Graduation.

### Non-Darden Courses

Students may receive degree credit for no more than two courses (**six credit hours of courses**) at the University of Virginia (outside the Darden School). If you opt to do this, it must:

- Be a graduate level offering,
- Relate to or enhance the MBA degree,
- Be approved by the MBA Program Committee, unless it is a pre-approved course. The pre-approved course(s) for 2018-2019: SARC 5500-001 Special Topics (Water Sustainability) (Architecture) (Debaere)
- Have already pre-registered for your Darden courses.

Contact the other UVA school for information on their specific enrollment requirements. More information: [Request MBA Credit for a Non-Darden Course](#)