Campus fee and scholarship policy

The campus fee for the MBA is €3,000 (or Le equivalent, non refundable). A number of full and partial scholarships are available according to precise procedures to be communicated in due time. The MBA staff is willing to develop individualized payment plans to meet your unique needs.

Admission Requirements

- Application Form (available by request to unimak.mba@gmail.com or in hard copy at University of Makeni);
- Curriculum vitae
- Business Idea
- At least 1 academic or professional reference letter
- GMAT/GRE Test (Recommended)
- Bachelor Degree Certificate
- Transcripts

The above listed documents should be submitted in person at University of Makeni - MBA Secretariat or online by email: unimak.mba@gmail.com for the initial screening process.

Application deadlines

June 15th, 2014
Taking your business idea to the next level and turning it into a successful business.

The MBA in Global Business and Sustainability - Social Entrepreneurship Track from the Faculty of Economics of the Catholic University of Milan-Italy (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore), is an internationally recognized degree. As a result of its quality and innovativeness, it has won significant International award by

Aims of the MBA Program

In joining the program, you will:
- Transform your business idea into a business plan for the start up or the scale up of your business;
- Develop the business skills you need to lead a business venture;
- Receive support in the scaling and growth of your business, and;
- Develop an international network of investors, entrepreneurs and partners.

At the end of the program you will be awarded of two Master Degrees “MBA Global Business and Sustainability - Social Entrepreneurship Track” by Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and University of Makeni.

MBA University partners

ALTIS Postgraduate School of Business & Society of the Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore of Milan, Italy (altis.unical.it/eng). ALTIS promotes innovation in business in order to foster competitive advantage and meet the growing social and environmental demands of stakeholders. ALTIS is guided by a desire to effectively serve the students and enterprises with whom it interacts.

Tangaza University College (www.tangaza.org). Tangaza University College is a constituent college of the Catholic University of Eastern Africa - CUEA. It is involved in projects of social transformation and in the development of leadership and management. It opened its doors to the first group of students on 25 August 1986. Currently, the college offers undergraduate degrees, masters degrees, diploma programs and a number of certificate programs in its various institutes.

University of Makeni (www.universityofmakeni.com) The University of Makeni (UNIMAK) is a Catholic-based co-educational institution accredited by the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) of Sierra Leone in 2009 to operate as a fully fledged Private University College. UNIMAK shares a vision of building a civilization of love where peace and social justice for all transcend tribal and political divides, where every citizen has equal access to education to enable them to fulfill their potential. UNIMAK stands on three pillars: fostering training and education, community service and research. Currently, UNIMAK offers Masters, Post Graduate, Undergraduate, Diploma and certificate programs.

Why join the MBA program

• Hands-on training: The MBA is built around participants’ business ideas, specifically (but not exclusively) in the Agribusiness and Energy access&efficiency sectors. Over the period of the program, participants apply knowledge and tools they learn to their business idea and receive the preparation and contacts necessary to successfully launch a new and impactful business venture;

• MBA Dual Degree: The MBA in Global Business and Sustainability - Social Entrepreneurship Track is awarded by the School of Economics of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore of Milan, Italy, Europe’s largest private University and by University of Makeni. The MBA is the first non-American Program to receive the Ashoka Innovation Award from the Ashoka Foundation. Ashoka is a global association of the world’s leading social entrepreneurs. It helps them both to get started and succeed over their long lifetime causing large scale and very much needed pattern of change.

• Innovative Formula: The blending of classroom and on-line training allows participants to attend the program while continuing their current job or business;

• Mentorship: Contact and exposure to local and international business people will support MBA participants in the start-up and development of their businesses;

• Coaching: A dedicated business consultant will help participants to develop their business from idea to action;

• Relations with investors: the MBA will organize dedicated events and deal rooms to create a trustful relation between participants and potential investors;

• Locally based with international exposure: the program is held at the University of Makeni and taught by Italian, American, Kenyan and Sierra Leonean faculty.

Core Values

• We do not teach entrepreneurship. We train entrepreneurs;

• We offer tailor-made training and actionable business tools;

• We bridge the gap between business ideas and business investment;

• We trigger Team Work, Collaboration and Partnerships worldwide;

• We promote Environmental, Social and Economic Sustainability;

• We have passion for Social Transformation;

• We forge Creativity and Leadership.

Participants’ profile

• You have a strong idea for a new business venture and need to figure out how to start it;

• You are starting a new business and seeking for a seed capital;

• You are already in an established business and for growing capital to scale it up;

• You are already running a fast growing business and need to harness its full potential;

• You are an entrepreneur looking to branch out and replicate your business abroad;

• The MBA staff handle the class in such a way that participants are given the chance to work together and mutually benefit from one another’s knowledge.

Career prospects

• The start-up of a new business: Launch a new business venture that addresses a pressing social or environmental need;

• The start-up of a not-for-profit activity: Bring innovation and managerial efficiency to the creation of new not-for-profit activities;

• The development of an existing business or not-for-profit: Receive the training, guidance and contacts aimed at achieving economic stability and growth;

• The opening of a “social franchise”: replicate successful international business models in your country.

MBA program unique formula

The duration of the program is 12 months. The MBA adopts a unique and flexible blend of class lessons, distance learning, and coaching to help MBA participants to apply what they learn to their business while keep on doing business and work:

• Three (3) Intensive weeks of full time classroom and networking sessions;

• Eight (8) Weekends of full time classroom;

• Ten (10) Distance Learning Sessions

• The training methods for MBA courses consist of:

- Classroom training by lecturers from ALTIS - Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore of Milan, Italy, Tangaza University College of Nairobi, Kenya and other international Business Schools;

- Integrated courses taught partly on line and in the classroom by lecturers from all partner institutions.