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NORTH COUNTY SAN DIEGO

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#### **CSUSM** The Right Choice for MBA Study In California



#### WELCOME

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (UCSC) and California State University San Marcos Information Session 2026 Entry

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### AGENDA

- Campus Overview
- Curriculum
- Schedule
- Fees
- How to Apply
- Questions and Answers



#### WHERE IN THE WORLD IS SAN MARCOS?

- Coastal Southern California offers the best climate in the United States with an average ranges 15-25 Celsius.
- 50 kilometers to San Diego
- 150 kilometers to Los Angeles
- Beaches, mountains, activities
- Close to major attractions (SeaWorld, San Diego Safari Park, Disneyland, La Jolla, Coronado)
- Accessible by train from campus to coast, north and south



## QUICK FACTS ABOUT CSUSM





ENROLLMENT: 17,000 200 international students 150+ language program 54 countries

MODERN CAMPUS: Founded 1989 State-of-the-art technology and labs

ENGAGED:

Innovative curriculum Recognized by the Carnegie Foundation – community engagement

Faculty-driven research of over \$19.5 million annually



## **CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS**

#### STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO:

- Low student/professor ratio 24:1-smaller class room sizes
- Impressive research/applied learning options for undergraduates
- 99% outstanding full-time faculty with doctorate degrees
- EDUCATETOCAREER.ORG: Ranked 13th in the nation and top university in California, preparing students to land good jobs after graduation.
- Chance to gain up to 1 year of US work experience after 2 semesters of study (Spring/Summer) with Optional Practical Training (OPT) approval





#### **Business Administration**



- Prestigious AACSB accreditation, placing top 5% of business schools in the world
- World class faculty
- Innovative market driven curriculum
- Interconnected alumni network
- Variety of specialized concentrations
- MBA (12 month)



# SPECIALIZED PATHWAY MBA

- Accelerated: 8-month program (normally 12 months)
- Students register for a total of 23 CSUSM Units or 46 ECTS (normally 36 CSUSM Units or 72 ECTS)
- Top-ranked executive program with an economically resourceful cost!
- Students complete "two" Business degrees upon return to Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (UCSC)



#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

Program is a partnership between the College of Business Administration and Extended Learning, featuring:

- Guaranteed seat in classes
- Career planning services
- High caliber students
- Quality instructors





## **PROGRAM COMPONENTS**

CSUSM REQUIREMENT	ECTS	TERM	UCSC COURSE	ECTS
CORE BUSINESS				
MGMT 604 Org Behavior and HR Management (2 units)	4	At UCSC	International Human Resources Management	5
BA 602 Statistics for Business (2 units)	4	At UCSC	Business Analytics	6
MGMT 606 Managing the Sustainable Enterprise (2 units)	4	At UCSC	Sustainability Management	5
MKTG 602 Marketing Management (2 units)	4	At UCSC	International Marketing and Customer Experience Management	5
OM 602 Operations and Supply Chain Management (2 units)	4	At UCSC	Supply Chain Management	5
ACCT 601 Financial Accounting (1 unit)	2	At UCSC	International Financial Reporting	5
FIN 601 Foundation of Finance (1 unit)	2	At UCSC	Performance Measurement and Incentives	5
FIN 602 Corporate Finance (2 units)	4	At UCSC	Corporate Finance	5
BA 601 MBA Bridge (1 unit)	2	Winter at CSUSM		
MIS 602 Management Information System (2 units)	4	Winter at CSUSM	Management information Systems	5
ACCT 602 Accounting for Managers (2 units)	4	Winter at CSUSM	Accounting	
BA 675 Strategic Management (2 units)	4	Winter at CSUSM	Entrepreneurship	4
International Business Specialization				
MGMT 612 Global Leadership (2 units)	4	Spring at CSUSM	Business Ethics	5
GBM 614 Executive Seminar: Doing Business in Selected Country/Region (2 units)	4	Spring at CSUSM	Global Challenges and Impacts	5
MKTG 614 Global Marketing & Sales (2 Units)	4	Spring at CSUSM	Customer – based marketing strategy	5
OM 616 Global Supply Chain Management (2 units)	4	Spring at CSUSM	Operation e Supply Chain	5
GBM 612 International Culture & Negotiations (2 units)	4	Summer at CSUSM	Sociology of Consumer Behaviour	5
FIN 612 International Finance (2 units)	4	Summer at CSUSM	Financial Markets and Institutions	5
Culminating Experience				
GBM 685 or BA 685 Master's Project (3 units)	6	Summer at CSUSM	Internship	6
Total 36 Units	72			
		Once back in Italy	Final Thesis and MSc Graduation MBA Diploma after the graduation in Italy	

#### Example



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MBA Diploma after the graduation in Italy

# **PROGRAM DETAILS**

#### Core (at CSUSM – January/February)

- Management Information Systems
- Accounting for Managers
- Strategic Management

#### Full current schedule can be viewed here.



#### International Business Specialization (at CSUSM – February to May)

- Global Leadership
- Executive Seminar: Doing Business in Selected Country/Region
- Global Marketing & Sales
- Global Supply Chain Management
- International Culture & Negotiations
- International Finance



#### MASTER'S CULMINATING EXPERIENCE

The final courses to complete your MBA degree, advancement to candidacy is pre-requisite:

#### International Business (at CSUSM June-August)

#### GBM 685 or BA 685 Master's Project



Solveig Halldorsdottir 2016 Graduate "The SMBA program at CSUSM was a challenging, fast-paced program that prepares you for the real world of business. The instructors in the program have close ties to the business world and emphasized on teaching from experience. The program helped prepare me for my career by improving my time management skills, public speaking and organizational skills."



# ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026 (tentative)

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#### ACADEMIC SCHEDULE

- Classes are held in 5-week sessions
- Classes meet on weekday afternoons/early evenings





# **PROGRAM SERVICES**

- Career Services
  - SMBA Program Career Advisor
  - Online Going Global job locator
  - Campus career center
- Professional Mentor Program
- Meet the Leaders Series
- Alumni Association
  - Join a network of over 62,000 alumni
  - 2,000 MBA alumni





### FACULTY

Full-time faculty, as well as industry experts Accessible and supportive Creative

pedagogy

- Active learning classroom
- State-of-the-art technology
- Case studies
- Practical applications

View faculty profiles at <u>http://www.csusm.edu/mba/smba/faculty.html</u>





# **GRADUATE ASSISTANT**



- You now can apply to work with one of our departments as a Graduate Assistant
- The commitment is for up to 20 hours per week, and the pay rate is about \$18 an hour
- Work for the entire semester up to \$6,000



# MEET THE LEADERS (MTL)

Provides a unique learning opportunity in an informal setting from those who are currently, or have recently been, on the frontlines as leaders of their organization The program has three goals:

- 1. Allow students the chance to learn contemporary business ideas in an informal setting
- 2. Provide networking opportunities
- 3. Help to develop strong professional relationships



Pictured: Andy Laats Cofounder, Nixon Inc.



# F1 Visa Employment Benefits & Opportunities

- Part-time On-Campus Employment (20 hours)
- Post-completion Optional Practical Training (OPT)
  - 12 Months of OPT after degree completion (Business Analytics eligible for STEM OPT extension up to 3 years)
  - Full time dedicated OPT advisor
  - 78 percent of graduates in OPT status
  - 90-100 students on OPT and STEM OPT at any given time
- Experienced Career Counselors to guide you in the job search process
  - Career Center
  - Job fairs

#### Companies OPT students are currently working with:

- Alpha Global Search
- Fokcus LLC
- Sony Playstation
- Qualcomm
- Viasat
- Ernst & Young
- MAX IGL, Inc.
- Aerotek
- Informatica
- Cardea Bio, Inc
- Ranstad US
- Active Motif
- Silicon Tech Solutions
- Angela Moskovis, Clinical Psychologist
- Kneron
- Altres (NPO)
- Marci B. Marketing and Management, LLC
- Heart of Los Angeles (NGO)
- Applied StemCell

- Scylla Microgrid
  Corporation
- Aegis Living at Corte Madera
- Beckman Coulter, Inc.
- Vaco, LLC (onsite at Google)
- Pacific Dental Service
- Burrata House



# **COST OF ATTENDANCE**

**Estimated Total Tuition Fees:** 

•23 unit program (8 month): 15,500 USD (tuition may be reduced depending on size of cohort) Example: 2-4 students: \$13,000 USD / 5+ students: \$11,000 USD

Living Expenses (8 month): 20,000 USD

#### Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

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# DEGREE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's Degree
- 3.0 GPA in last 60 semester units
- Be enrolled in 1<sup>st</sup> year of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore's (UCSC) master's degree program
  - Minimum TOEFL score of 80 (internet-based test) or
  - Minimum IELTS scores of 6.0 Total, 6.0 Writing & 5.5 in all sections or
  - Pass CSUSM's ALCI Assessment Exam
- GMAT waived



### **APPLICATION PACKAGE**

- MBA Application
- Personal statement
- 1 Letter of Recommendation
- Resume
- Official transcripts from all colleges attended
- •English proficiency requirement: Submit a passing TOEFL or IELTS score
- •Affidavit of financial support or scholarship letter
- Copy of passport

Information on how to apply: **Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore** Tel: + +39 0523 599436 @: ucsc.international-pc@unicatt.it



# **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Winter 2026 Application Filing Period:

- Applications are currently being accepted
- Complete applications are processed as received
- Application Deadline: October 1, 2025
- Classes will begin in January 2026

To apply, please consult your international advisor for details





# HOUSING OPTIONS

#### **APPLY EARLY!**

Year-round apartment style 2 & 4 bedroom suites Sample Floor Plan

Grad students have access to off-campus housing and homestay as well









#### WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND CSUSM

#### Top 6 Reasons:

- Relevant & innovative coursework
- Passionate & knowledgeable faculty
- Career planning services
- Specialized skills
- Guaranteed seat in class
- Ideal location (safe, climate, near major cities)

"I really appreciated that instructors have close ties to the business world and are teaching from experience, not just theory."

- Bergitte Joergensen 2016 Graduate















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#### **QUESTIONS?**



