

MBA Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship

The Beall Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship provides students with academic and practical training so that they gain a solid understanding of launching and/or growing a business in today's competitive environment. The Beall Center prepares students who are either planning to or have already embarked on a career as an entrepreneur (innovating to form new companies) or an intrapreneur (innovating within existing companies).

Through participation in the Merage School New Venture Competition and curriculum focused on Entrepreneurship and Innovation, enrolled Master's students at the Merage School can earn an MBA Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

ELIGIBILITY

UCI Paul Merage School of Business Master's students in the Full-Time MBA, Fully Employed MBA, Executive MBA, Health Care Executive MBA, MS in Engineering Management and MS in Biotechnology Management programs are eligible to pursue this certificate.

1. Enroll in and pass a minimum of two courses from the list of courses below:
 - MBA 214 Entrepreneurship
 - MBA 213 New Venture Management
 - MBA 290 Venture Capital and Private Equity
 - MBA 290 Consulting Projects for Entrepreneurial Companies
 - MBA 294 EDGE for Managers
2. Participation in the New Venture Competition by successfully submitting a concept paper and forming a team of at least three people, preferably during a student's final year in their program.
3. Successful completion of Master's degree requirements.

Students are encouraged to check with their Master's program office on enrollment limits and criteria for each requirement.

PROCESS

After completing requirements 1 and 2 under the eligibility section, students must:

- Complete an online application for the MBA Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship indicating courses taken and grades received at register.merage.uci.edu/Event/CIECertificate
- Submit the application via e-mail or in person at the beginning of your final quarter before graduation. The Certificate will be awarded after successful completion of all requirements.
- For questions, please contact your Master's program office in the Merage School or Hannah Thompson, Program Manager for the Beall Center at hannahrt@uci.edu.

