As our lives become more digitally mediated, we must adapt both ourselves and our businesses for the disruption inherent in the digital environment. With this reality in mind, The Paul Merage School of Business has specifically designed its curricula to give you the tools and skills necessary to become an effective leader in a digitally driven world.

Located in the heart of Orange County’s Tech Coast, the Merage School is surrounded by a network of cutting-edge businesses including Amazon, Google and Western Digital, and digitally-savvy firms including Capital Group, Disney, Experian, Hyundai, Pacific Life and Taco Bell. It is in this environment that we prepare you for the disruption you will encounter as a future business leader.

**Transformative Experience and Culture**

Whether you are looking to enter a new profession, enhance your current career path or start your own entrepreneurial venture, the Merage School Full-Time MBA will help you become a confident and respected leader. Each student receives personalized attention from staff and faculty within our collaborative culture – you are not just another number in the classroom. Our rigorous curriculum is complimented by specialized tracks of study, new research insights and case studies that challenge students with the realities brought by digital disruption across every industry.

**Key Program Highlights**

- **Applied Consulting**: Work directly with leading companies such as Disney, Experian and Amazon to create specific deliverables and action plans.

- **New Venture Competition**: Put your entrepreneurial skills to the test and compete for substantial prizes by forming a team, launching a startup and potentially funding a business idea – all within five months.

- **International Focus**: Engage in a week-long, faculty-led international intensive experience.

- **Case Competitions**: Put your skills to the test in a competition, extending your network and exposing you to highly engaged employers such as Targus and Niagara seeking new talent.

- **Presentation Skills Workshop**: Gain personalized, specific feedback from an executive coach to develop your presentation skills and improve your performance under pressure.

- **Immersion Options**: Delve deeper into an area of interest, completing curricular and co-curricular activities in Digital Transformation, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Health Care Management and Policy, or Real Estate and Urban Development.

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**#8**
Public University
U.S. News & World Report, 2022 Best Colleges

**#1**
Irvine: America’s Safest Big City

**#25**
Full-Time MBA in the U.S.
The Economist, 2022

**#1**
in the world for percentage of female faculty
Financial Times, 2021
Class of 2024 Profile

**Academic Profile**
- Average GPA: 3.45
- 80%: 3.0 – 4.0
- Average GMAT: 653
- 80%: 615 - 680

**General**
- Class Size: 41
- Average Years of Work Experience: 5.8
  - Range: 2-14
- Average Age: 30
  - Age range: 24-41
- Women: 37%
- International: 44%
- Countries Represented: 10

**Undergraduate Degrees**
- Science: 20%
- Business/Commerce: 24%
- Humanities/Social Sciences: 12%
- Engineering: 24%
- Economics: 5%
- Finance: 10%
- Other: 5%

**Backgrounds By Industry**
- Consulting: 17%
- Financial Services: 17%
- Government/Military: 17%
- Education/Non-Profit: 15%
- Technology: 15%
- Consumer Products: 5%
- Pharma/Biotech/Healthcare: 5%
- Real Estate: 5%
- Manufacturing: 2%
- Transportation: 2%

Make The Right Decision
Email us at mba@merage.uci.edu
- Set up a Personal Consultation
- Connect with a Student Ambassador
- Visit Campus/Take a Tour
- Schedule a Class Visit
- Attend an Event

Admissions Checklist
Apply at: mba.merage.uci.edu
- Unofficial Transcripts
- Official GMAT or GRE Score*
- Official TOEFL, IELTS or PTE (International Applicants Only)
- Two Recommendations
- Essays
- Resume
- $150 Application Fee
- Interview (by invitation only)

Application Deadlines
- November 1: February 1**
- December 1: April 1

* GMAT/GRE waivers are available to domestic and international candidates with 2+ years of full-time professional work experience and a minimum 3.0 GPA (based on a 4.0 scale).
**Recommended international deadline.

Applications are processed on a rolling admissions basis, meaning that they are evaluated as we receive them.