Master of Science in Information Systems (MSIS) Degree Program
Admissions Guidelines
Fogelman College of Business and Economics
The University of Memphis
(updated Spring 2024)

The Fogelman MSIS degree program is designed to encourage a broad range of students to consider applying for admission. Students with many different backgrounds choose our program including both professional and academic. Whether you are just completing an undergraduate degree or have been in the workforce for a while, the Fogelman MSIS program may be the right choice for you.

Minimum requirements for consideration:

1. U.S. bachelor’s degree or its equivalent, awarded by an accredited college or university. The MSIS program will consider three-year degrees from accredited institutions.
2. 2.75 (on a 4.0 scale).
3. GRE score of 300 or greater. (GMAT scores also considered.)

GRE scores are waived for:

- Students with a bachelor’s degree and a 3.25 or better.
- Students with a post graduate degree in which they received a GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Students who have completed a graduate certificate in MIS with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Students who have a proven working career in the IT field of 5 or more years and a bachelor’s degree with a minimum GPA of 2.75.

Note: All transcripts and related institutions are reviewed by the graduate school for confirmation relative to our admissions criteria.

GRE/GMAT scoring guidelines for admission:

If an applicant is required to submit standardize test scores, below are the minimum requirements for admission:

- GRE: 300 or better (overall score)
- GMAT (traditional): 450 or better (overall score)
- GMAT (new/Focus): 455 or better (overall score)
English Proficiency (when applicable):

Proficiency at full communication using English is a central element of success in the MSIS program.

- DET (Duolingo English Test) - Overall minimum of 110 with no sub-score below 80.
- TOEFL - 550 on paper version, 80 on internet-based test with no sub-score below 20.
- IELTS - Overall minimum of 6.5 with no sub-score below 6.0.
- PTE (Pearson) - Overall minimum of 59

Application Deadlines:

**Fall** Semester Start:
- Application Submission Date: May 1\(^{st}\)
- F1 students: Recommended Immigration Documentation Completion: July 1\(^{st}\)

**Spring** Semester Start:
- Application Submission Date: December 1\(^{st}\)
- F1 students: Recommended Immigration Documentation Completion: January 1\(^{st}\)

**Summer** Semester Start:
- Application Submission Date: February 1\(^{st}\)
- F1 students: Recommended Immigration Documentation Completion: April 1\(^{st}\)

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