

# Online School Business Management



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## Master of Science in Education in School Business Management

**The Master of Science in Education in School Business Management (MSE SBM)** degree qualifies students for licensure as a School Business Manager in Wisconsin since a master's degree is required for licensure under Wisconsin DPI code 5008. However, if applicants already possess a master's degree, they can complete the specific credits required for licensure by customizing the Certification in School Business Management.

All courses are offered 100 percent online. Coursework is aligned with the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) International School Business Management Professional Standards, covering areas of school finance and budgeting, auxiliary services, negotiations and conflict resolution, staffing, and community relations.

Instructors include alumni who are currently working as school business managers and superintendents in Wisconsin public schools and are available on weekends online for student assistance. Nine credits are considered full-time for graduate students. While some students take nine credits, they typically take anywhere between three and six credits per semester. The rotation and availability of courses each semester allows students to complete the master's degree in two years. However, all coursework applied to this degree must be completed within seven years.



[www.edu/online/masters/  
school-business-management](http://www.edu/online/masters/school-business-management)



# 100%

placement rate

# 30,000

active alumni

# \$107,661

average starting salary



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### What would you do with this degree?

Licensed school business managers in Wisconsin oversee the administration and allocation of budgets and resources in Wisconsin public school districts. Career paths and project work include all area roles and responsibilities found in the school district business office.

These roles and responsibilities include accounting and reporting, auditing, budget and financial planning, cash management, debt management, facility construction and management, food and transportation systems, general management, human resource management, information technology and data management, payroll management, purchasing and accounts payable management, and risk management.

Other common position titles include assistant superintendent of operations, comptroller and financial specialist. Archived salary information, position and demographic reports can be found at the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) website.

### What Makes a Good School Business Manager?

A good school business manager has the right blend of accounting and business knowledge, experience in the education field, and keen organization and communication skills. For this job, one must understand the complexities of school business management (SBM) and how to delegate the decision-making process for the institution away from district offices into the hands of other school leaders themselves. To be a good school business manager, one must be familiar with the school's policies and procedures, as well as their goals, budget needs, and growth projections.



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