# Master of Science in Energy Geoscience (MSEG) Degree / Master of Business Administration (MBA) Degree

## Program Learning Outcomes for the MSEG Degree

Upon completing the MSEG degree, students will be able to:

1. Become proficient in applying geological and geophysical knowledge and data management methods.
2. Develop business and management skills, and obtain practical skills valuable to the energy industry.
3. Develop written, oral, and visual communication skills to bridge the gap between science and business.

## Program Learning Outcomes for the MBA Degree

Upon completing the MBA degree, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding and application of the foundational frameworks and tools of all business disciplines, including accounting, finance, marketing, operations management, organizational behavior, and strategic management.
2. Develop, evaluate, and implement complex business strategies and operational solutions holistically, integrating management principles across the functional areas.
3. Function effectively in a team setting both as a leader and a contributor.

## Requirements for the MSEG/MBA Coordinated Degrees Program

Students may earn a coordinated MBA degree and a Master of Science degree from the Wiess School of Natural Sciences Professional Science Master's (PSM) program in the following fields:

- Bioscience and Health Policy (MSBHP)
- Energy Geoscience (MSEG)
- Environmental Analysis (MSEA)
- Space Studies (MSSpS)

For the coordinated MBA/Master of Science degree from the Professional Science Master's (PSM) program, students must complete:

- A minimum of 75 credit hours in approved coursework, including:
  - A minimum of 30 credit hours of graduate-level study (coursework at the 500-level or above) to satisfy the Professional Science Master's (PSM) degree requirements
  - A minimum of 30 credit hours in the corresponding science discipline
  - All PSM degree-specific requirements
  - A three to six month internship

## Coordinated MBA/MSEG Degree Requirements

Students in the coordinated MBA/MSEG degrees program must complete the Core Requirements and Three to Six Month Internship of the MSEG degree program and the Coordinated Area of Specialization below. Students plan their course schedules in consultation with the Wiess School of Natural Sciences PSM program director and with the Jones Graduate School of Business Student Success and Academic Advising. Coordinated degrees candidates can fulfill requirements for both degrees within 3 academic years.

For general university requirements, see Degrees: Graduate-Level (https://ga.rice.edu/graduate-students/academic-opportunities/degrees/). For additional requirements, regulations, and procedures for all graduate programs, please see All Graduate Students (https://ga.rice.edu/graduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/regulations-procedures-all-degrees/). Candidates in the MBA/Master of Science degree from the Professional Science Master's (PSM) program must complete all requirements as listed for both degrees, and must apply and be accepted in both degree programs.

The courses listed below satisfy the requirements for this degree program. In certain instances, courses not on this official list may be substituted upon approval of the program's academic advisor, or where applicable, the department or program's Director of Graduate Studies. Course substitutions must be formally applied and entered into Degree Works by the department or program's Official Certifier (https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degreeworks/officialcertifier/). Additionally, these must be approved by the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

## Summary

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## Coordinated MBA/MSEG Area of Specialization

Select 1 of the following Areas of Specialization:

- Energy Data Management
- Energy Transition and Sustainability
- Geology
- Geophysics

### MSEG Core Requirements

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Select a maximum of 6 credit hours from approved course offerings (MGMP or MGMT) from the Jones Graduate School of Business at the 500-level or above.

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Select an additional 12.75-14.25 credit hours from departmental (MGMP or MGMT) course offerings at the 500-level or above to reach 45 total credit hours.

Total Credit Hours: 40-42

**Footnotes and Additional Information**

1. The MBA Core Requirements includes the Global Field Experience Requirement.
2. To fulfill the remaining requirements for the coordinated MBA degree program, students must complete an additional 12.75-14.25 credit hours from departmental (MGMP or MGMT) course offerings at the 500-level or above to reach 45 total credit hours. (MGMT 703, MGMT 704, and MGMT 705 are not accepted as electives.) The second year of the program is dedicated entirely to MBA elective coursework. Although the Jones Graduate School of Business offers a variety of courses for students to take as electives, students may wish to take courses from other departments at Rice University. MBA electives are offered on the daytime schedule, the evening schedule, and the weekend schedule.

**Policies for the MSEG/MBA Coordinated Degrees Program**

**Additional Information**

For additional information on these two degrees:

1. Please see the Energy Geoscience website: [https://profms.rice.edu/](https://profms.rice.edu/)
2. Please see the Jones Graduate School of Business website: [https://business.rice.edu/](https://business.rice.edu/)

**Opportunities for the MSEG/MBA Coordinated Degrees Program**

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