EXECUTIVE MBA
FOR LEADERS IN FOOD, AGRICULTURE, AND BIOSYSTEMS

The Ivy Executive MBA (EMBA) is a 21-month program for professionals in food, agriculture, and biosystems. It’s designed for high potential employees that need a fast, flexible way to achieve their MBA while increasing their leadership responsibilities in their organization.

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
Ivy College of Business

ADVISORY COUNCIL
Executives from the following companies participate in semiannual meetings to assist with curriculum development and continuous improvement of the program. Visit our website to learn more about each executive.

» AgCertain Industries, Inc.  » National Pork Board
» Associated Milk Producers Inc.  » Renewable Energy Group
» BASF  » Riley Resource Group
» Bayer  » Scoular
» Cargill  » Stine Seed Company
» Corteva Agriscience  » Sukup Manufacturing Co.
» John Deere  » Summit Agricultural Group
» Land O’Lakes  » Syngenta
» Landus Cooperative  » Tyson Fresh Meats
» Lauridsen Group, Inc.  » Vermeer

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HIGHLIGHTS

» Classes meet face-to-face every three weeks on Fridays and Saturdays in Central Iowa. In between classes there are online interactions to enhance the course.

» The curriculum delivers traditional MBA content and partners with Iowa State University’s College of Agriculture and Life Sciences to offer customized content and case studies.

» Courses are predetermined with no electives so you know your full schedule the day you apply. You attend all courses with the same cohort.

» A leadership speaker series and two study trips are included in the program. The first trip is to Washington D.C. and the second is to an international destination.

» Tuition is all inclusive of books, speakers, networking events, study trips, and most meals.

CURRICULUM

The 21-month program starts with one week of classes and orientation on the Ames campus. Classes then meet once every three weeks on Fridays and Saturdays in Central Iowa, with online interactions in between meetings to enhance the course. There are no summer classes.

Content is developed by industry executives, the Ivy College of Business, and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Each course is designed so that students can immediately apply what they learn to their company. The curriculum includes the following courses:

» Leadership Speaker Series
» Strategy and Executive Leadership
» Corporate Social Responsibility and Ethics
» Organizational Behavior
» Human Resource Analytics
» Economics of Commodity Markets
» Accounting for Executive Management
» Food, Agriculture, and Biosystems Boot Camp
» Information Systems and Analytics
» Supply Chain Management
» Managerial Finance
» Marketing

Visit our website to see the full course descriptions and faculty bios.

STUDENT PROFILE

Qualified candidates are working professionals in the food, agriculture, and biosystems industries with at least five years of experience. Admission is based on the applicant’s professional experience and company support. Students are placed on a team with others who have diverse expertise and experiences. Each cohort is limited to 32 students.

LEADERSHIP SPEAKER SERIES

Each weekend meeting features a high-profile executive, research scientist, or groundbreaking startup that will speak on their leadership experience and industry trends. This series is highly interactive to expand students’ network, provide them with actionable advice, and make valuable connections with potential partners for their company.

STUDY TRIPS

There are two study trips during the program. The first is in September of the second year to Washington D.C. Students will have the opportunity to meet with legislators, regulators, policy makers, lobbyists, and more for three days. The second trip is in April of the second year and rotates between the EU, South America, and Asia.

TUITION AND FEES

Tuition is all inclusive of books, speakers, networking events, study trips, and most meals. Total tuition cost is $68,500 and is payable in four installments spread out over three calendar years to provide budget flexibility.

COMPANY PARTICIPATION

Companies have the opportunity to attend and sponsor EMBA special events, provide guest speakers for classes, and provide advice for enhancing the program.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Our application process is simple and does not require GMAT scores. To start, submit a CV or resume to emba@iastate.edu or visit our website and click on ‘Apply Now.’

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