

# The future of medicine and business.





# D.O./M.B.A. PROGRAM

at Virginia Tech and VCOM

## Jason DiVito D.O./M.B.A. Candidate 2013

"I feel as though the M.B.A. program opens a D.O. student's eyes to many additional potential avenues and opportunities that would not have been noticeable or obtainable without the degree.

I knew before entering medical school that I wanted to obtain an M.B.A. degree for the benefits it would offer me in the long term."

## Program Overview

A partnership between Edward Via Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) and Virginia Tech's Pamplin College of Business allows VCOM students to simultaneously pursue a D.O./M.B.A. degree. The dual-degree program at Virginia Tech and VCOM is dedicated to creating futures for tomorrow's healthcare professionals. The partnership provides strong career representation in a professional, personal, and supportive learning environment. The M.B.A. degree from Virginia Tech offers VCOM students additional academic challenge and real-world learning experience that will foster managerial, financial and administrative excellence in the healthcare profession.

## Admission Requirements

- ▶ D.O./M.B.A. program requires an additional year between the third and fourth year of medical curriculum; students must apply at the beginning of their third year (January) to receive admission decision by February
- ▶ Students must have good academic and professional standing (3.6 GPA or higher at VCOM); must have completed third year (OMS III) requirements; and passed part 1 Board exam (COMLEX part 1) and schedule for part 2 before applying
- ▶ The GMAT and Business prerequisites are not required
- ▶ Students take core M.B.A. curriculum of 30 credit hours at Pamplin College of Business and 18 hours from VCOM curriculum for the M.B.A. degree
- ▶ Students are not required to pay VCOM tuition during their tenure as a graduate student at Virginia Tech. However, they are required to pay Virginia Tech Graduate School tuition for two semesters. Students may make arrangements for additional financial-aid through Virginia Tech for the additional year of study
- ▶ The program is only available to current VCOM students

## Application Procedures

Students meeting the above requirements may initiate the D.O./M.B.A. application process by January to begin the program at Pamplin in August of the same year. The application form and procedures to apply can be found on the VCOM website at [www.vcom.vt.edu/admissions/dualdegree.html](http://www.vcom.vt.edu/admissions/dualdegree.html).

Accepted students will receive academic leave from medical curriculum from VCOM's Vice Dean for Academic Affairs for one school year to take M.B.A. classes at Pamplin.

Upon completing the 30 credit hours of core M.B.A. courses at Pamplin, students will schedule their fourth year clinical rotation and will return to full-time status at VCOM to fulfill their D.O./M.B.A. requirements.



## Danielle DonDiego D.O./M.B.A. Candidate 2013

"At the Pamplin College of Business, I was involved in many consulting projects with real companies, some of which were marketing medical devices and software for physician use."

## Educational Partners

The Pamplin College of Business offers several majors, including: Accounting and Information Systems, Business Information Technology, Economics, Finance, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Management, and Marketing.

The M.B.A. program is based on a cohort system. A cohort system involves the entering cohort to complete the first two semesters of core classes together each fall.

There are 170 full-time graduate students and 160 part-time M.B.A. students. In addition, there are 65 executive M.B.A. students in Pamplin.

## Fall Class Schedule

Course Number	Title	Semester Hours
ACIS 5104	Fundamentals of Accounting	3 hours
ACIS 5514	Management of Information Systems	3 hours
BIT 5724	Managerial Statistics	3 hours
FIN 5024	Principles of Finance	3 hours
MGT 5814	Entrepreneurial Leadership	3 hours
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>		<b>15 hours</b>

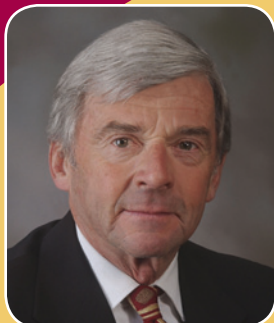
## Spring Class Schedule

Course Number	Title	Semester Hours
MGT 5454 or MGT 5984	International Business or Management Consulting	3 hours
FIN 5084	Analytical Framework for Business Managers	3 hours
MGT 5314	Dynamics of Organizational Behavior	3 hours
MKTG 5104	Marketing Policy and Strategy	3 hours
MGT 5794	Strategic Management	3 hours
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>		<b>15 hours</b>



About the

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**Richard E. Sorensen**  
Dean, Pamplin College  
of Business

I'd like to welcome you to Virginia Tech's nationally ranked Pamplin College of Business.

A business education will certainly be very useful to you when you go into private practice after medical school and later on, when you may find yourself considering a new career in hospital administration.

At Pamplin, we emphasize the development of ethical values and leadership, technology, and international business skills. We take pride in providing an outstanding education to our students, whom we challenge academically in many ways: through coursework that emphasizes understanding and mastering the theoretical concepts, through courses that help prepare students to perform effectively in culturally diverse workplaces, and through experiential learning opportunities that help students develop leadership and teamwork skills.

Please contact us for more information about the Pamplin College and the D.O./M.B.A. program. It may be one of the best career decisions you'll make!



**Dixie Tooke-Rawlings, D.O.**  
Dean and Executive  
Vice President,  
Edward Via College  
of Osteopathic Medicine

I would like to welcome those students who are considering the D.O./M.B.A. degree to review our combined program with Virginia Tech's nationally ranked Pamplin College of Business. The five year program was designed for those students who wish to become leaders in the business of medicine as well as the practice of medicine.

The future of medical practice, especially in areas of primary care will provide an opportunity for those physicians with leadership skills to advance. These areas include such positions as Director of a medical home practice, administration of group practices, positions of oversight of hospital medical staff, and in medical education leadership. The physician who is equipped with business and leadership skills will also have an advantage in managing their own practice as well.

Please let VCOM know if you have any questions as you explore this degree.

## Contact

### Questions regarding the application process

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