3. MS BAIS Admission requirements:

Our admission decisions are based on a "portfolio criteria" that includes the following components. Please note that incomplete applications (e.g., missing GRE scores, unless explicitly waived by us) will NOT be processed, until they are completed:

- Fully completed application, including payment of application fee

We do not entertain requests for application fee waivers.

- A four-year bachelor's degree from an accredited university

We prefer applicants with technology majors such as computer science, engineering, etc., though we may also consider non-technology majors if they have demonstrated solid technology skills or have technology-focused work experience.

Applicants with a 3-year bachelor's degree from an accredited institution must also meet the following requirements: (1) Minimum GMAT score of 650 or a minimum GRE score of 321 (combined verbal and quantitative), with a minimum of 25th percentile in the verbal portion of the test, and (2) if the 3-year bachelor's degree is less than 120 hours from Non-Bologna Accord Institutions, a transcript evaluation from a NACES member is required to confirm equivalency.

- GMAT or GRE scores

We strongly encourage in-center GRE/GMAT tests and discourage at-home or online tests.

The GRE/GMAT requirement may be waived for applicants with 3 years or more of relevant full-time work experience in information technology, information systems, or business analytics in the United States. Working in a foreign country for a U.S. client will NOT qualify for this waiver.

Applicants with a Bachelor's degree in information technology, information systems, or business analytics from USF or equivalent U.S. universities with a GPA of 3.5 or higher may also request a waiver of the GRE/GMAT exam.

Applicants requesting such waivers should provide appropriate documentation justifying such waivers based on the above criteria. Waiver requests will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

International applicants are NOT eligible for GRE/GMAT waiver irrespective of length of work experience.

- Relevant work experience in information technology, information services, business analytics, or related sectors.

This is a very important component of our admissions criteria. We will consider students with extensive industry experience, even if they have less than desired GMAT or GRE scores.

- Two letters of recommendations.

- A completed information form that we will send out upon receipt of your application.

In addition, all applicants must meet USF's Admission and English Proficiency requirements. For international applicants, this means TOEFL scores, although we do not consider TOEFL score as part of our admission criteria.

In short Application requirement:
Students are admitted to the Master of Science in Business Analytics & Information Systems program based on the evaluation of their application in its entirety, including

- Bachelor's degree with a 3.00 GPA

- GMAT, GRE or other standardized scores for graduate programs (e.g. MCAT, LSAT). There are only 2 waiver options available:

  o Applicants who graduated from USF's Muma College of Business with a GPA of 3.5 or higher can request a GRE/ GMAT waiver.

  o Applicants with 3 years or more of relevant full-time work experience in Information Technology/ Information Systems/ Business Analytics in the region the program is offered, can request a waiver.

  o Students requesting waivers should provide information justifying such waivers based on the above criteria. Additional documentation may be sought when deemed appropriate by the program.

- Language proficiency scores (for international students only) (e.g. TOEFL with a minimum score of 79) using TOEFL, Duolingo, IELTS or other standardized English tests as accepted by Graduate Admissions.

- Letters of recommendation,

- Statement of purpose, and

- Relevant work experience.