

Master of Science – Management Information Systems  
 Comparison of Delivery Methods

	<b>Traditional (in-person)</b>	<b>Online</b>	<b>4+1</b>
<b>Number of hours</b>	36	36	36
<b>Time to complete degree</b>	21 months	24 months	9 months <sup>4</sup>
<b>Course length</b>	15 weeks	8 weeks	15 weeks
<b>Course term</b>	3 courses per 15-week term	1 course per 8-week term	5 courses per 15-week term
<b>Course delivery</b>	Live and in person	Recorded lectures; fully online <sup>2</sup>	Live and in person
<b>Courses</b>	8 core courses and 4 electives	12 core courses	7 core courses and 5 electives
<b>Students eligible</b>	U.S. residents and non-U.S. residents	U.S. residents	U.S. residents and non-U.S. residents
<b>Internship</b>	Option for a summer internship	No	Option for a summer internship <sup>5</sup>
<b>GRE/GMAT required</b>	Yes	No <sup>3</sup>	Yes <sup>6</sup>
<b>Target student</b>	Full-time, living in College Station	Working professionals living in the United States	Students earning an undergraduate degree at TAMU
<b>Prerequisites<sup>1</sup></b>	Four	Four	Four
<b>Certificates</b>	Options for Cybersecurity Management -and- Business Intelligence and Analytics	All students earn two (Data Management -and- Technical Development Management)	Options for Cybersecurity Management -and- Business Intelligence and Analytics

<sup>1</sup> Prerequisites include programming, networking, database, and systems analysis & design.

<sup>2</sup> The program requires an “Aggie experience” that is two to three days in length, in-person on the Texas A&M campus, prior to the first- and second-year courses. These experiences help prepare the student for the upcoming academic year, including introductions to the faculty and staff, orientation, and learning more about the rich history of Texas A&M.

<sup>3</sup> Applications for Fall, 2022 do not require the GMAT or GRE, but is subject to change in future admission cycles.

<sup>4</sup> If planned properly, Mays undergrad students can complete the MS degree by adding an additional fall and spring semester to their degree plan. This requires taking up to 15 hours per semester in the additional year, as they will complete six hours of the MS coursework during their final undergraduate semester.

<sup>5</sup> The graduate internship is completed in the summer after earning the undergrad degree.

<sup>6</sup> Some students may qualify for a GRE/GMAT waiver; determined on a case-by-case basis.