



DEPAUL UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF CONTINUING AND
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PROFESSIONAL STUDIES - BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (BAPS-BA) FOR CHICAGO POLICE OFFICERS

DePaul University's School of Continuing and Professional Studies will offer an undergraduate degree program in the area of Business Administration through a partnership with the Chicago Police Department. This specialized curriculum provides professional preparation for law enforcement and public safety officials who are looking to advance their academic and professional careers. This program is specifically designed to blend the latest academic research and classroom learning with very practical day-to-day experiences to meet the needs of public safety officers in our urban community.

With an associate degree (A.A. or A.S.), or an equivalent 60 semester hours/90 quarter hours of transferrable credit, plus your Chicago Police Academy training, you **may** be able to complete your DePaul Bachelor of Arts degree in as little as 30 months. The specifics of your transfer credit will determine remaining courses needed for degree completion. Military experience and additional professional experience may also be assessed for credit through the prior learning assessment process.

DePaul Values Your Professional Commitment and Goals

This major advances students' foundational business knowledge in a range of areas critical to business administration, especially project management, human resources, risk management, leadership, workplace law, globalization, ethical conduct, data analytics, and professional communications. Students may also earn credit for prior learning and their professional training experience through the Police Academy. Depending on transfer credit, students could enter the program with nearly half of the degree requirements already met and could complete this degree in as little as ten consecutive quarters, or 30 months, as part-time students. A sample schedule is listed below for reference.

Graduates of this program will be particularly well positioned to make optimal decisions in the workplace and become promotable leaders. This program is designed exclusively for active officers with the Chicago Police Department.

Why this Program Works for Chicago Police Officers

DePaul recognizes that maintaining work/life balance is important and taking on a new commitment requires significant consideration. This degree completion program will feature two courses each quarter (11-week terms) to maximize your tuition reimbursement package. To give students optimal flexibility around scheduling, courses will be offered either online asynchronously or in a "hybrid" format with synchronous online Zoom sessions in a morning and evening format on specified **Wednesdays** during the academic term. Students can attend either the morning session OR evening session.

Eligibility Requirements

- Active officer with the Chicago Police Department
- Minimum 2.0 Cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale at the last institution attended in the past 3 years; and
- Graduate of the Chicago Police Academy

To apply, please submit the following:

- An adult student application which can be found online at go.depaul.edu/apply.
- On the application, in the section titled: Cohorts and Partnerships, select "**Fraternal Order of Police, Chicago Lodge 7**"
- After submitting the application, please email **Program Manager, Scott Gabbert** at sgabbert@depaul.edu to notify us that you have submitted the application and are interested in this particular degree completion program. Upon admission, you will be assigned to Scott who will assist you with your academic progress from your first enrollment through to graduation.
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended. Institutions may submit transcripts electronically to electronictranscripts@depaul.edu or they can be mailed to the following address: Office of Undergraduate Admission, 1 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 9000 Chicago, IL 60604.

Questions:

Scott Gabbert is available to answer questions and he can be reached at sgabbert@depaul.edu or 312-362-7439.

Sample Schedule* for the BAPS-BA Degree

The following schedule represents a customized program for active officers with the Chicago Police Department seeking to complete their undergraduate degree in the area of Business Administration. The program builds on knowledge gained through past coursework, professional experience and training.

Additional graduation requirements can be completed via additional DePaul classes or through an assessment of credentials earned through prior learning and training. DePaul is committed to working with each student in order to ensure they have the skills, knowledge, and professional insights they need to complete their degree and help advance their professional careers.

Course Modalities:

- **Online Asynchronous (fully online with optional periodic Zoom sessions during the term)**
OR
- **Hybrid Synchronous (required Zoom meetings on specified Wednesdays throughout the term with morning and evening options)**

FALL	FA 199 Career Assessment and Planning (4 hours) LL 270 Critical Thinking (4 hours)
WINTER	LL 290 Research Writing (4 hours) DCM 302 Project Management (4 hours)
SPRING	LL 301 Research Methods (6 hours) (Student Choice)
SUMMER	(Student Choice)
FALL	DA 200 Data Analytics (4 hours) BADM 334 HR/Talent Development for Managers (4 hours)
WINTER	IN 307 Integrative Learning (4 hours) BADM 335 Risk Management (4 hours)
SPRING	LL 302 Experiential Learning Practicum (4 hours) DA 233 Applied Information Management (4 hours)

*Sample schedule – subject to change

*Additional at-large courses will be needed to complete the degree – specific courses will vary by student