Your Guide to the

MS in Supply Chain Management



Complete in 12 months with a blend of face-to-face and online coursework. One-week, on-campus residencies in August, January and May.



UNIVERSITY of SOUTH FLORIDA

Muma College of Business

Monica Wooden Center for Supply Chain Management & Sustainability

Why a Master's Degree in Supply Chain Management?

Supply chain management is a high-growth industry. At the national level, the logistics sector is projected by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics to increase 10.3 percent through 2026, adding nearly 13 million jobs with a median annual wage of \$74,590. In Florida, the development of the supply chain management talent pool is highlighted as a core need for workforce development*. This new graduate program is a direct response to employers' requests for advanced training opportunities.

The MS in Supply Chain Management is a 32-credit-hour graduate degree designed for working professionals who need this advanced training. Students kick off their coursework with one week on campus at the beginning of each semester where they meet with professors and fellow classmates. The remainder of coursework is completed online.

*Florida Trade & Logistics Study 2.0 (Florida Chamber, 2013)

About the Program

Courses focus on hands-on learning of the fundamentals of 21st century supply chain management including network design, sustainable supply chain management, and lean six sigma. Beyond the fundamentals, the curriculum equips students to manage supply chain challenges of Industry 4.0 with tools in supply chain analytics, technology innovation, and risk management.

Our aim is to equip future supply chain leaders with up-to-date tools, leadership skills, and an expanded network of business colleagues.

The seminar course, tailored to each cohort, takes a deep dive into leading-edge supply chain topics such as blockchain, robotics, IoT, or smart manufacturing. Courses wrap up with a capstone project that tackles a supply chain problem from the student's workplace.

Monica Wooden

Monica Wooden, cofounder and former CEO of MercuryGate International, donated \$5 million to support USF's goal of providing a world-class program in supply chain education, research and business outreach. Her generous gift boosts the center's (sincenamed the Monica Wooden Center for Supply Chain Management & Sustainability) ability to provide the talent needed to achieve Florida's aim of becoming a hub for global commerce.



One-Year Program Starts in August

Fall Semester (12 Credit Hours)

- SCM 6006 Supply Chain Management
 - Overview of how key supply chain processes and functions create value for customers and other supply chain members.
- SCM 6206 Logistics Systems & Analytics
 - Introduction to software tools and decision support models frequently used in the design and operation of integrated supply chains.
- GEB 6527 Lean Six Sigma
 - Study of Lean as a management philosophy to eliminate waste and Six Sigma tools to reduce variation and improve quality.
- ISM 6156 Enterprise Resource Planning & Business Process Management (100% online)
 - Introduction to the use and implementation of business processes management (BPM) and enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems.

Spring Semester (12 Credit Hours)

- SCM 6200 Logistics & Physical Distribution Management
 - Methods for improving customer service levels by managing inventory, transportation, fixed facility location, material handling, and information systems.
- SCM 6169 Sustainable Supply Chain Management & Reverse Logistics
 - Overview of principles and key issues related to reverse logistics and corporate sustainability efforts.
- SCM 6939 Seminar in Supply Chain Management
 - Lectures and cases related to current challenges in supply chain management led by faculty and guest speakers from industry.
- ISM 6436 Operations & Supply Chain Processes (100% online)
 - Overview of key activities of operations management that transform inputs into outputs.

Summer Semester (8 Credit Hours)

- BUL 5842 Risk Management & Legal Issues (100% online)
 - Review of topics related to understanding, monitoring and controlling risks including corporate governance, risk strategy and legal/regulatory compliance.
- MAN 6147 Leadership Management/Concepts
 - Overview of various concepts of management, such as the personal values of leaders and leadership in an organization.
- SCM 6919 Supply Chain Management Capstone Project
- Independent research under the direction of a faculty member on a supply chain problem, typically conducted at the student's place of employment.

Sample Calendar

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	On-Campus	Online
Fall	Aug. 17 - 22*	Aug. 23 - Dec. 3*
Spring	Jan. 4 - 9*	Jan. 10 - April 29*
Summer	May 10 - 13*	May 14 - July 30*
Graduation: August 7*		

^{*}Dates provided are for example purposes only. Exact dates vary by semester.

Admission Requirements

Enrollment is limited to 25 students. A minimum of three years of managerial work experience in supply chain management is required. Students are admitted based on the evaluation of an application in its entirety, including relevant work experience, prior college level academic grades earned, letters of recommendation, and statement of purpose.

Test scores (GMAT, GRE) are waived for applicants who meet the minimum work experience requirement.

Financial Assistance

Employers may offer tuition assistance for qualified employees.

Please visit the USF Financial Aid website at **usf.edu/finaid** for other sources of financial assistance.

How to Apply

Applications are accepted once each year for fall semester. Applications are submitted online at **grad.usf.edu** and are evaluated as they are received. Admissions decisions are usually made within four weeks. All documents should be attached to the application as a PDF. Required documents include:

- One transcript from every institution of higher learning attended
- 1-2 page personal statement of purpose
- Two letters of recommendation
- Resume with 3 years minimum managerial work experience

(Candidates who do not meet the minimum work experience requirement will be considered on a case by case, space available basis and are required to submit a GMAT or GRE score).

Application Deadline

Domestic: June 1 • International: June 1

Please see international requirements at usf.edu/admissions/international/admission-information/graduate/



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