

ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Official transcripts showing a master's degree in business or in a business-related discipline; the degree must be awarded by an accredited institution or an appropriately certified foreign institution.
 - A grade point average of at least 3.0 (on a scale of 4.0) in academic work leading to the master's degree, and in any subsequent graduate study.
 - At least three (3) years of full-time managerial or professional experience, documented by a recently updated resume or an online professional profile. If not currently employed, the applicant must show active participation in professional organizations (documented through the submission of a resume or career summary).
 - Personal/professional goal statement with a self-appraisal of qualifications for the profession
 - Two (2) letters of recommendation
 - Due to SEVIS regulations for academic admissions requirements international students must be fully admitted to the DBA program, no provisional admittance will be allowed.
- International English Language Testing System (IELTS). Scores: Undergraduate applicants: 6.0, with no individual band below a 5.5. Graduate applicants: 6.5, with no individual band below a 6.0. IELTS scores are only valid for two years.
 - Pearson Test of English (PTE). Scores: Undergraduate applicants: A minimum score of 50. Graduate Applicants: A minimum score of 54. PTE scores are valid for two years.
 - Duolingo English Test (DET). Scores: Undergraduate applicants: A minimum score of 95. Graduate Applicants: A minimum score of 105. DET scores are valid for two years.
- Please [click here](#) for more details concerning NLU-approved examinations.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- <https://nl.smartcatalogiq.com/2020-2021/Undergraduate-and-Graduate-Catalog/Admissions/International-Students>
 - Proof of English language proficiency is required if English is not the applicant's native language and / or high school degree was earned outside the United States. Applicants must have official results of a TOEFL or other University-approved examination sent to the Office of Admissions.
 - Official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Scores: Undergraduate applicants: A minimum score of 72 for the Internet-based test (iBT) or a minimum of 533 total for the TOEFL paper test (PBT). Graduate applicants: A minimum score of 80 for the Internet-based test (iBT) or a minimum of 550 total for the TOEFL paper test (PBT). TOEFL scores are only valid for two years.
- The English Proficiency requirement may also be considered as met for students who satisfy any of the following criteria:
 - Completed at least three years of education at a high school or secondary school, where English is the language of instruction.
 - Completed at least two years (48 semester credits or 72 quarter credits) of education at a college or university where English is the language of instruction.
 - Completed an ESL program accredited by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA), the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training (ACCET), or any of the six regional accrediting bodies for higher education institutions in the US within the past three calendar years