



CARLSON SCHOOL
OF MANAGEMENT

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA



MASTER OF SCIENCE

in Supply Chain
Management

Why the Carlson School?

When you choose the Carlson School, you're making a wise investment in yourself. You'll receive a rigorous education from world-class faculty. You'll be centered in an unparalleled business community that's home to 15 *Fortune* 500 companies and six of the largest privately held companies in the world. That contributes to unprecedented opportunities for experiential learning and networking. You may have opportunities for global exploration. And you'll build lifelong connections with a diverse community of peers. That's priceless.



Why the Master of Science in Supply Chain Management?

Elevate your leadership prowess, master end-to-end supply chains, and sharpen critical skills for high-level management positions.

The Carlson School Master of Science in Supply Chain Management is a program for working professionals that will transform you as a leader in this vital and high-demand field. It will sharpen your skills for a global and digitized future, expand your network, and create new career opportunities.

You'll complete the program in just 12 months with a cohort of other professionals—a close-knit community where you'll acquire cross-industry expertise from your classmates, while developing a strong network of future supply chain leaders.

Throughout your program you'll receive comprehensive coaching to prepare you for your next step. And we make it easy to take the first step, too: You don't need a GMAT/GRE score to apply and may even qualify for a streamlined admission process.

Program Overview

You'll complete the Master of Science in Supply Chain Management program in just one year. It starts in August and consists of four seven-week terms throughout the traditional academic year, plus an 11-week capstone project over the summer.

Each term, you'll take two in-person courses taught by top-ranked faculty, plus one online or condensed class. Because the program is designed for working professionals, you'll typically attend in-person classes from 5:45 to 9:00 p.m., with some online classes and condensed courses on select Saturdays.

Over the summer, you'll also complete an experiential capstone project with a small team of your classmates to address a real-world global supply chain problem. You'll benefit from networking with the companies that sponsor the projects. It's a great opportunity to develop your leadership skills while getting hands-on experience.



START DATE
August



DURATION
12 months



FORMAT
2 On campus
1 Online/Condensed



WORK EXPERIENCE
Minimum 3 years
professional, full-time

Program highlights

PROGRAM IS
STEM
DESIGNATED

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**BEST SUPPLY CHAIN
GRADUATE PROGRAM IN
NORTH AMERICA**

Gartner, Inc., 2022

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**IN THE U.S. IN
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT**

QS Business Master's Rankings, 2023

COMPLETE IN ONLY

1 year

Faculty

As an MS in Supply Chain Management student, you'll learn from leaders in the field and influential researchers who bring emerging knowledge into the classroom.



Anant Mishra

Anant Mishra is the Andrew Van de Ven Professor in Supply Chain and Operations and was honored in 2022 with the Carlson School's Outstanding Teaching Award. He teaches statistics and strategic sourcing, and is an expert in operational innovation, public sector operations, public health supply chains, and operations in emerging markets.



Karen Donohue

In addition to being the program's academic director, Karen Donohue is the Curtis L. Carlson Endowed Chair in Supply Chain Operations. She has conducted extensive research into methods for coordinating inventory and distribution across supply chains, while her behavioral work examines how humans make decisions in supply chain settings.



Curriculum *Highlights*

Your coursework will elevate your leadership skills while teaching you to manage supply chains from end-to-end. The curriculum is based on five key principles: leadership, strategic orientation, global perspective, analytics, and social responsibility.

This 32-credit program will help you master core supply chain topics at both a practical and a strategic level. You'll also sharpen your analytical capabilities while learning about emerging trends in the field—including insights from the COVID-19 pandemic and other recent high-impact supply chain events.

Experiential *Learning*

Another vital component of the program is the Global Operations Capstone course. For 11 weeks over the summer, you and a small group of classmates will apply what you've learned in a real-world consulting project for an external client.

Your capstone course project will have global, strategic, and supply chain components. As a result, by the end, you will have hands-on experience with much of the end-to-end supply chain, including topics ranging from market entry to warehouse rationalization.

During the entire experience, you'll also be supported by a professional director with significant industry experience, academic faculty who serve as subject matter experts, and other resources from across the Carlson School.

Career Impact

Supply-chain professionals are in high demand—and the need for new talent continues to grow. Whether you're looking to advance in your current organization or are seeking a new challenge, the MS in Supply Chain Management can create new opportunities for you.

In addition, throughout the program you'll receive personalized support to achieve your professional goals. Through the Carlson Business Career Center (CBCC) you can take advantage of 1:1 coaching; professional development workshops and programming; resume and LinkedIn reviews; assessments to evaluate your strengths; and much more.

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SUPPLY CHAIN
MANAGEMENT IS

one of five
tangible
business skills
that matter

most

POST-COVID-19

McKinsey & Company

Carlson School Alumni Network

As a Master of Science in Supply Chain Management student, you'll gain access to the illustrious Carlson School Alumni Network. Our alumni know the rigor of our program firsthand and look to us for the most talented recruits. That means a new world of connections for you.



60,000

ALUMNI IN MORE THAN
100 COUNTRIES



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I just came out of the military after 27 years, so I wanted to accelerate my learning and accelerate my growth within the supply chain industry. The Carlson School was a great opportunity to get that condensed into one year and focus on all the key learnings that would enable me to be successful.

John Wisniewski

'22 MS SCM, PEER LEADER SPECIALIST, WOUNDED
WARRIOR PROJECT



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I've studied with some of the brightest minds. I might not have gained all of their knowledge, but I've learned a lot in terms of the soft skills and technical skills they brought into the program.

Aparna Gannavarapu

'22 MS SCM, SENIOR PROGRAM MANAGER, AMAZON



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I would tell a prospective student considering the program, it's a no-brainer. Go for it. This has propelled me to levels in my career that I never thought possible. It's provided me a network of peers in both big and small business that I didn't even know existed. It's worth it.

Jessica Harvey

'19 MS SCM, PRESIDENT, GARDNER CONSTRUCTION INC.



Living in *Minneapolis*

Join a thriving business community—and a broader community with more cultural, sports, and nature opportunities than you can possibly imagine.

The Twin Cities are home to several renowned global companies including Target, Medtronic, Best Buy, and General Mills. But there's plenty beyond business, too: From a stunning array of art, music, and theater to six professional sports teams, from fine dining to the Mall of America—not to mention hundreds of parks, trails, and lakes—there's something here for everyone.

15
FORTUNE 500
COMPANY
HEADQUARTERS



8 LARGEST
PRIVATELY HELD
COMPANIES IN U.S.

Forbes, 2023



TOP 10 MOST
CIVICALLY ENGAGED
METRO AREAS

Washington Post, 2023
(For Period 2017-2021)



#2 & #3 PARK SYSTEMS
IN THE NATION
 (St. Paul and Minneapolis
 respectively)

Admissions

The Carlson School carefully considers each applicant's demonstrated and potential abilities. Our admissions committee takes a holistic approach to reviewing applications and is dedicated to building a diverse class of well-qualified students. The application process allows us to get to know you and the unique skills and experiences you'll bring to the program.

Beyond the process outlined below, you can apply for a 15% or 50% merit scholarship. Applicants residing in and authorized to work in the United States are eligible for these scholarships. An additional essay will be required when you're admitted if you want to be considered for these scholarships.

The Carlson School also supports active military members and veterans who'd like to transition to a corporate role. In addition, students who are employees at the Carlson School's Corporate Discount partner companies are eligible for a 15% tuition discount and a streamlined admission process.



ADMISSION CHECKLIST

- Online application and processing fee
- GMAT or GRE score (optional)
- Transcripts
- Current resume
- Personal statement
- Video essay
- Two professional recommendations
- English Language Testing Score (if applicable)
- Interview (only applicants who present strong credentials will be invited to interview with a member of the Admissions Committee)



APPLICATION DEADLINES

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| Round 1 | December 1 |
| Round 2 | February 15 |
| Round 3 | April 15 |
| Round 4 | June 15 (<i>domestic students only</i>) |
| Round 5 | July 15 (<i>domestic students only</i>) |



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