



# DBA – Doctor of Business Administration

**Make a change to your career, your personal life, and society, and enrol in our DBA programme today!**

The EIM – European Institute of Management offers an EU-government accredited (MFHEA in Malta) and flexible in terms of time and place [DBA – Doctor of Business Administration](#) programme with extensive support specifically for successful leaders, managers, and entrepreneurs.

## What are the entry requirements?

### The entry requirements for the DBA are:

- ✓ Sufficient English language skills (e.g., IELTS 6.5 or above)
- ✓ Sufficient digital competences to work online in a Google environment
- ✓ At least five (5) years of professional experience
- ✓ Master's degree (EQF level 7 qualification – 90 ECTS)

If you do not have the required number of 90 ECTS on the Masters level, it is possible to acquire them through our [Master Completion Pathway](#) within 6-18 months.

## What will be my dissertation topic?

The final dissertation topic or thesis will be tailored to researching solutions for cutting-edge challenges within each DBA students' organisation or catered to their career goals.

### DBA students typically choose a dissertation topic about

- 1 Their organisation (e.g., business (SMEs, MNEs), government agency, NGOs),
- 2 A specific industry (e.g., IT, Health Care, Automotive, Tourism, Telecom, Banking)

- 3 A current issue (e.g., digitalisation, circular economy, metaverse, artificial intelligence, ethics),
- 4 Business or career opportunities (e.g., consulting, counselling / training, interim management),
- 5 Specific management and leadership skills (e.g., in finance, digital marketing), or
- 6 Their own personal interests.

## What is the structure of the programme?

The DBA programme consists of 12 modules, which are studied in 12 quarters (= 1 module per term) or within at least three years.

### The 12 modules are divided into the following four phases of study:

**Launching.** In the first phase of study, DBA students will identify their dissertation topic and be prepared to conduct doctoral level academic research.

**Preparing.** The second study phase includes the preparation of the dissertation proposal and all approvals to begin data collection.

**Finalizing.** In the third phase of study, DBA students will collect and analyze their data, present and discuss their results, and complete their dissertation.

**Defending and Publishing.** In the final phase of study, DBA students will defend and prepare the publication of their dissertations.

In all these phases, you will be closely accompanied and supported by your dissertation advisors.

## What are my advantages?

-  **Recognition of prior learning and professional experience**
-  **Experienced international faculty**
-  **Pay what you use**
-  **Networking**
-  **Online course delivery**
-  **Research and publication opportunities**
-  **Government Accreditation**
-  **Testing phase**
-  **Oxford-style teaching and learning method**
-  **Career opportunities**
-  **Flexibility**

See for more details

<https://www.eim.education/your-advantages/>

## When can I start?

You may start your DBA – Doctor of Business Administration programme at the beginning of each quarter (January, April, July, and October).

## Where can I apply?

Please click the “[apply now](#)” button on our website or contact our Admission office under [admission@eim.education](mailto:admission@eim.education)

## I have already started my doctoral studies but never completed them. What can I do?

If you are “[all but dissertation](#)” or have already completed one or the other doctoral level modules, our [Dissertation Completion Pathway](#) may be the right solution for you on the way to the long-awaited doctorate.

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My experience at EIM has been continuously positive and professional throughout the entire process, from onboarding to my actual study sessions. I must highlight the professionalism of EIM lecturers, who always bring me back on track and help with their vast experience of guiding students through the doctoral process. This support is incredibly valuable and helps to overcome tough situations.



**Sebastian**  
Doctoral Candidate

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I appreciate the great flexibility that allows me to do my doctorate part-time, the personal support and the opportunity to research and publish on current and socially relevant topics, such as AI Ethics in my case.



**Katherine**  
Doctoral Candidate

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We provide learners with the learning tools, methodologies, experiences and guidance to efficiently achieve their learning goals and graduate with a quality doctoral dissertation they can be proud of.



**Wolfgang**  
Professor and Dissertation Advisor

Find further information about the DBA – Doctor of Business Administration programme including its cost and structure under: <https://www.eim.education/doctor-of-business-administration-dba/>