Admissions Criteria for the Chicago Booth Scholars Program

Offer of admission is conditional from the point of admission until matriculation. Chicago Booth reserves the right to revoke an offer of admission if the following criteria is not met:

Academic Requirements:

- The following students are eligible to apply to the Chicago Booth Scholars Program:
  - Candidates in their final year of a bachelor’s degree program
  - Candidates in their final year of joint bachelor’s/master’s degree program
  - To be considered for admission to the Chicago Booth Scholars Class of 2019, you must be graduating from your program between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019.

- All international applicants are required to be in their final year of a college or university degree program equivalent to a four-year American baccalaureate degree. In light of the Bologna Accord, Chicago Booth will also consider students in a three-year international degree program to fulfill the academic prerequisite for admission. You will be asked to provide a scanned transcript at the time of application and your official academic records if you are admitted.

- A degree certificate will be required if “degree awarded” and “date of degree conferral” is not listed on the transcript.

- Chicago Booth will require official transcripts of all admitted students.

Application Requirements:

- In addition to all required application materials, all applicants must submit scores for the following:
  - All applicants are required to provide an unofficial GMAT or GRE score at the time of application. No preference is given to one exam over the other. We will require that candidates submit an official test score if they are admitted to the program.
  - For international applicants, Chicago Booth requires the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the academic version of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or the Pearson Test of English (PTE). An international applicant is exempt from the TOEFL/IELTS/PTE requirement if they have earned an undergraduate degree from an institution in which English is the language of instruction. An applicant is also eligible for exemption if they are a citizen or permanent resident of a country where English is an official language. Applicants should indicate the exemption in the application where appropriate.

- Admission requires applicants to do an in-person interview. Interviews are granted by invitation only.
**Professional Requirements:**
- All deferred Booth Scholars are required to maintain their full-time employment status throughout their deferral period and to make professional progress satisfactory to Chicago Booth’s admissions process.
- Chicago Booth does not assist students with obtaining U.S. work visas.

**Conduct Requirements:**
- As per the Area Admission Review policy, authority to revoke admission for any misconduct before matriculation rests with the area Admissions Review Committee. A complete overview can be found here: [https://studentmanual.uchicago.edu/page/area-admission-review-systems](https://studentmanual.uchicago.edu/page/area-admission-review-systems)

**Supplemental Materials Requirements:**
- All admitted students will submit supplemental materials as requested by Chicago Booth and updated information in the year they intend to matriculate to support their original application.
- Deferred Booth Scholars are required to submit an annual form with updated employment information for each year of their deferral period.

**Additional Requirements:**
- Deferred Booth Scholars may defer for a minimum of two years and maximum of four years.
- All Booth Scholars are required to pay a series of non-refundable deposits in their first, second and third year of deferral.
- If deferred Booth Scholars wish to delay their admission to Chicago Booth for longer than four years, they would be required to reapply to the Full-Time MBA Program, Evening MBA Program or Weekend MBA Program and will not be refunded the deposits that they have already paid through the Chicago Booth Scholars Program.
- All Booth Scholars will be presented with the option to matriculate to the Evening MBA or Weekend MBA programs if they feel those programs are a better fit with their career trajectories or goals. Booth Scholars interested in Booth’s Evening MBA or Weekend MBA options must be authorized to work within the United States. The Evening MBA and Weekend MBA programs do not offer student visas.
- If Booth Scholars are interested in applying to a joint-degree program (MBA/MPP, MBA/JD, MBA/MD), they will need to apply separately to the other program. We recommend that applicants get in touch with the admissions office corresponding to their other program of interest regarding their timeline for applying to that program.

**Chicago Booth reserves the right to revoke an offer of admission at any point during the deferral period, if the candidate:**
- Shows a significant drop in academic performance during their final semester or quarter of their program.
- Does not have a degree conferred from his/her undergraduate institution by the time of matriculation.
Has engaged in fraud, misrepresentation, material omission of fact, dishonesty, is in violation of University standards, or any other misconduct, including pre-matriculation misconduct.

Has a prolonged gap between full-time positions or fails to make professional progress satisfactory to Chicago Booth’s admissions process.