

A man with a goatee, wearing a white blazer over a light blue polo shirt, stands with his arms crossed. He is wearing a watch on his left wrist. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

GLOBAL EXECUTIVE DOCTOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (DBA)

The Global Humanistic University (GHU)
in Organisational Cooperation with
Business School Netherlands (BSN)

“EQUIPPING RESPONSIBLE AND
EFFECTIVE LEADERS IN A RAPIDLY
CHANGING GLOBAL ECONOMY”

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Global Executive DBA

Are you seeking to deepen and leverage your overall business knowledge while remaining committed to ethical and performance-based leadership? Do you wish to build your capacity and enhance your management decision-making process through measurable actions? The Global Humanistic University and Business School Netherlands DBA is a prestigious and challenging programme designed to equip you with the skills you need to be a Great Leader. BSN is passionate about Great Leadership.

The DBA is for Great Leaders, who comfortably combine success with responsibility. Great Leaders who (1) are responsible and create a positive impact on society; who (2) are capable to transform their own organisations; who (3) who take well-informed decisions and who (4) are focused on performance management.

Business School Netherlands and the Global Humanistic University both have a strong tradition of training business leaders and thinkers who engage with their organisations and communities. BSN has a very successful track record of offering DBAs worldwide in many countries, including China, the Netherlands, Africa and more.

This DBA programme combines the GHU's progressive educational methodologies with BSN's strong emphasis on measurable and actionable management strategies and philosophies.

ACCREDITATION

The DBA has the accreditation of AAC. The Accreditation Agency Curacao (AAC) is an independent and professional Accrediting Agency of Higher Education located in Curacao. The AAC is officially recognized by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of the Government of Curacao.



AAC is an affiliate of ENQA and a full member of INQAAHE. AAC adopts the standards and guidelines for quality assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG; 2015). The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA) developed these standards in cooperation with the European Students' Union (ESU), the European Association of Institutions in Higher Education (EURASHE) and the European University Association (EUA).

The collaborative DBA between BSN and the GHU carries accreditation from the American Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP).



Structure and Content

The Global Executive DBA focuses more on knowledge creation and practical application rather than being a taught qualification. The online modules and optional DBA conferences and workshops are delivered by expert faculty from both the GHU and BSN (Please refer to the programme structure outline)

During the DBA, candidates will have some mandatory group sessions and course work. These will elevate your level of academic preparedness and will equip you with the capabilities and skills required to undertake a comprehensive research project. Using these newly acquired insights and combining it with the new sound theoretical grounding and understanding of relevant research methodology, you will be required to identify a complex corporate leadership issue in your workplace, industry or society.

The small class sizes of 5-10 DBA candidates allow for genuine personal guidance. During your DBA you will benefit greatly from our Doctoral Degree Mentorship provided by your own Action Learning Coach-facilitated peer conversations.

WHO ARE YOUR PEERS?

They are business owners and senior managers of SME's as well as multinationals or senior professionals such as senior consultants and human resources management advisors, directors and partners of professional services firms. They are, like you, curious, enjoy technology, enjoy challenge, enjoy problem solving, enjoy learning, accept responsibility, maintain professionalism, are flexible, patient, enthusiastic and self-confident.

PHASE 1

Module	ECTS
Research Proposal*	5
Academic Writing/Method Skills*	15
Review of Professional Capability (Reflection)*	10
Planning an advanced Practitioner Research Programme (Exposé)	30
* Any order	60

PHASE 2

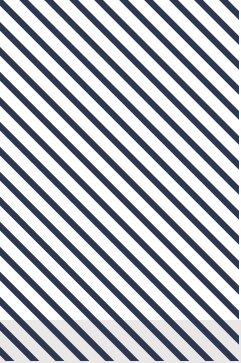
Module	ECTS
Project Report (Thesis)	85
Research Paper	30
Oral Presentation and Viva Voce (Defensio)	5
	120
Total	180

The DBA carries a total of 180 ECTS credits (European Credit Transfer System/ 90 USA Credits)

The programme duration is a minimum of 3 years, with a maximum allowed time of 7 years for completion.

The DBA can be completed in the student's native language, but the Research Proposal (5 ECTS), the Exposé (30 ECTS), and the Research Paper (30 ECTS) must also be submitted in English. This may be done in the form of a notarised translation.





ONLINE WITH OPTIONAL CONFERENCES

The collaborative DBA program is offered 100% online via the Online Campus. BSN will organize a non-mandatory study week each year and may also organize several offline short courses, events etc. Candidates may be asked to make a financial contribution to such off-line gatherings.

ACADEMIC ADVISORS & MENTORS

As a DBA candidate you will have one professor supervising your programme from the beginning until graduation and a second marker (professor) assisting and supporting you when working on the thesis. One professor will be from BSN and the other from the GHU.

GRADUATION AND POST-DBA

DBA candidates who enrolled through BSN and were enrolled in the GHU system will be invited to the annual BSN graduation in the Netherlands. You will be able to publish your thesis in the BSN library and support will be provided for publication of a popular version in Action Learning/ Action Research/Responsible Leadership relevant magazines (for free). You may also be invited to present your DBA thesis at an event of BSN's Impact Center for Responsible Leadership.

DBA candidates who applied through BSN will be invited to become an alumnus of BSN. You may also be invited to present your DBA thesis at a special event organized for the corporate relations of BSN or at an event of one of BSN's Impact Centers, which we are setting up during 2022 and 2023: one for Responsible Leadership, one for Change Leadership, one for Decision-making Leadership and one for Performance Leadership. When you excel in your DBA you may be even invited to become a friend of or join us as a scholar in one of our Impact Centers.

Admission Requirements

DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME

The minimum completion time for the programme is 3 years, with a maximum of 7 years.

Every DBA applicant must meet the following admission requirements:

- » Hold an MBA or Masters level qualification in a relevant field
- » Have a minimum of 5 years professional experience
- » Be employed in a senior management capacity or significant leadership role or equivalent position OR in the process of making the career move
- » Be pursuing, or have pursued, a significant career in professional or business areas that wall within the research interest of the Global Humanistic University or Business School Netherlands
- » Have access to reliable email and internet services

ADMISSION TIMEFRAME

The Global Executive DBA has a rolling intake, and you may begin your DBA studies once you have applied, been accepted, and registered for the programme.



About

Both GHU and BSN are prestigious universities located within the Kingdom of the Netherlands. BSN is officially recognised as a University of Applied Sciences, whereas GHU is officially recognised as a Research University.



THE GLOBAL HUMANISTIC UNIVERSITY

The Global Humanistic University (GHU) received its charter from the Ministry of Education of Curacao. This charter grants the GHU the right to establish a university in Curacao for the purpose of providing and teaching high quality online study programmes in the fields of business administration, finance, and law. The bachelor, master, and doctoral programmes primarily cater to international students.

GHU's modern operations, makes it possible for candidates across the globe to do their DBA in their native language be it English, Mandarin, Dutch, German, French, Spanish or otherwise.

The GHU's rector, vice-rectors, faculty, and staff have decades of experience in the higher education sector, and quality assurance is one of the foundations of the GHU.

Another principle of the GHU is to have strict policies that ensure that all individuals- regardless of ethnicity, religion, disability, immigration status

or gender – have access to all our activities and study programmes. The GHU policy dictates that all participants fulfill four major purposes:

- Preparation for life as active citizens in democratic society
- Preparation for sustainable employability.
- Personal development.
- The development and conservation of a broad and advanced knowledge base.
- The GHU is committed to providing a welcoming and safe environment free of any sort of discrimination.



BUSINESS SCHOOL NETHERLANDS

BSN is a Dutch university of applied sciences (established 1988) and has a strong tradition of training managers via executive management programmes and short courses. It was also the first university in the Netherlands to offer a recognised MBA programme. BSN also boasts more than 20 years of experience in delivering prestigious international DBA programmes.

BSN has a truly global presence spanning countries such as China, South Africa, Nigeria, the Netherlands and the Czech Republic, with partners in many more.

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