Richard J. Wehle School of Business

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AASCB Accreditation
The Richard J. Wehle School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (http://www.aacsb.edu/) (AASCB). Accreditation by AACSB is the hallmark of excellence in management education, and has been earned by less than five percent of the world’s business programs. It represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools worldwide. Programs receiving AACSB International accreditation have superior faculty, high-caliber teaching, and meaningful interaction between students and faculty. All students majoring in business are required to participate in assessment exercises appropriate for meeting accreditation requirements.

O UR MISSION
The Richard J. Wehle School of Business (WSB) develops career-ready-business leaders who are prepared to make ethical business decisions that reflect the interests of multiple stakeholders.

With our partners in the Western New York business community, we emphasize immersive, experience-based learning activities that reflect the interconnected and global nature of business.

Faculty are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional engagement with an emphasis on improving and informing business practices.

In accordance with our Jesuit tradition, we are committed to educating the whole person, to using our skills in the service of others, and to a business work ethic of doing more and going beyond what is expected.

Our departments are:
- Accounting
- Economics & Finance
- Management
- Marketing & Information Systems

Beta Gamma Sigma
The Wehle School of Business at Canisius College houses a chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma (https://www.betagammasigma.org/). Beta Gamma Sigma is the premier honor society recognizing business excellence. Lifetime members of the Society have earned the right to be considered the “Best in Business.” Juniors and Seniors must rank in the top 10% of the class, and graduate students who graduate in the top 20 percent are eligible for membership.

Professional Student Organizations
The WSB sponsors a number of professional student organizations that provide a range of professional development opportunities for students preparing for careers in business. These organizations host workshops, seminars, networking events and tours of local businesses. Many of the student groups engage in community-based projects, using their business skills to help others and create a positive impact on the local economy. Some of the groups participate in competitions with other colleges from across the country. These competitions give students an opportunity to develop their skills and gain national recognition. The professional student
organizations in the Wehle School of Business have been recognized by a number of external industry groups for their exceptional programming, leadership and success in competitions. Students are encouraged to become active in a professional student group early in their college career. Current student groups include:

- Accounting Society
- American Marketing Association (AMA)
- APICS - The Premier Professional Association for Supply Chain Management
- Canisius Entrepreneurs’ Organization (CEO)
- Canisius International Business Association (CIBA)
- Enactus
- Golden Griffin Fund (GGF)
- Society for Economics & Finance
- Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)

### External Business Programs

#### Center for Professional Development

The WSB houses the Center for Professional Development (CPD), which delivers executive education and lifelong learning opportunities for individuals and businesses throughout the Western New York region and beyond. The CPD's diverse program options provide individuals with opportunity to advance their career, regardless of role or experience. Led by distinguished Faculty at Canisius College as well as by Western New York business experts, the CPD's programs are targeted at enhancing the skills leaders require to be successful in today's business climate. Located on the Main St. campus of Canisius College in Science Hall, many of the non-credit bearing seminars, professional development workshops, training and other programs offered by the CPD are open to enrollment by students, alumni and members of the community. For additional information and a listing of CPD programs and upcoming events, visit the official CPD website (http://caniuscpd.com/).

#### The Women's Business Center

Located in Science Hall, the Women's Business Center (WBC) empowers entrepreneurs to succeed through education, connections and community by developing leaders, fostering opportunities and building collaboration. The WBC was established by the Richard J. Wehle School of Business in 2003 to support the success of entrepreneurs and small business owners with a focus on women in Erie County and the surrounding region including Buffalo, Rochester, Jamestown and Niagara Falls. The WBC provides services in small business development: training, counseling, coaching, and networking. Networking serves as a major component of all programs to ensure that every participant has made appropriate connections with business and community resources. Faculty and students at Canisius frequently connect with area entrepreneurs and small businesses through programs offered by the Women’s Business Center. These connections often result in mutually beneficial relationships that contribute to the economic strength of the local and regional economy. For additional information and a listing of WBC programs and upcoming events, visit the official WBC website (http://thewomensbusinesscenter.com/).

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The Wehle School of Business also offers graduate programs that lead to the degrees of Master of Business Administration (MBA), Master of Business Administration – Accounting (MBAA), Master of Business Administration in Professional Accounting (MBAPA), and a Master of Science in Finance. These degrees are described in the Graduate Catalog (http://catalog.canisius.edu/graduate/wehle-school-business/).

### BS/BA and MBA or MBA in Professional Accounting (MBAPA) Dual Degree Program

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For additional information, visit the Dual Degree webpage (http://www.canisius.edu/economics-finance/overview/babs-mba-dual-degree/).

#### Program Description

Canisius students only.

This program enables qualified students in most majors to earn an undergraduate degree and a Master in Business Administration (MBA) within a five-year period or an MBAPA in six years. During the first three years, students take courses to fulfill their core curriculum and major-area requirements, saving electives for their senior year. In their senior year, students complete their undergraduate requirements and use free electives to take a series of introductory graduate courses. They complete the MBA requirements in the fifth year. Students with AP credits or transfer credits may be able to complete the program in less than five years.
BS/BA Dual Degree Admission
Application is made by students in the spring semester of their junior year. Admission to the program will require meeting current MBA admission standards.