



## A Transformational Experience

Darden's interactive, energetic learning model, underpinned by the case method's real-life business challenges, teaches learners to ask the right questions, think critically, collaborate, solve problems with imperfect information and speak confidently.

## An MBA That Invests in You

In addition to a robust portfolio of merit scholarships, which every candidate is considered for at the time of application, competitive scholarships awarded through Darden's Oculus Fellowships and Batten Scholars Program recognize top talent.

## Life in Charlottesville

Consistently top-ranked for lifestyle, health, and business, 'C-ville' offers the cultural vibrancy of a big city paired with the natural beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Some alumni return year after year — others never leave.

## Darden is Everywhere

20,000 strong and 90 countries wide, Darden graduates are privy to an alumni network as enriching as it is close-knit. You can count on their support, wherever your MBA journey takes you.

# FULL-TIME MBA PROGRAM



Spencer Holmgren  
(Class of 2025)



*My Darden experience has enabled me to pivot careers while creating and nurturing some of the strongest professional and personal relationships in my life. I've been able to feel the support and strength of the Darden community in a way that motivates me to bring my best self to the classroom and office every day.*

# WHY DARDEN?

## RANKINGS

**#1**

U.S. Public MBA program  
(*Bloomberg Businessweek*, 2022–24)

**#1**

Global Public Business School  
(*Financial Times*, 2024)

**#1**

U.S. Public MBA Program for  
Average Starting Salary and Bonus  
(*The Economist*, 2011–19, 2022)

**#1**

Public MBA Program based on top  
five ranking publications  
(*Poets & Quants*, 2024–26)

**#1**

Faculty  
(*The Princeton Review*, 2017–21, 2024–25)

**#1**

Carbon Footprint in the U.S.  
(*Financial Times*, 2023)



**20,000+**

Darden alumni live  
in 90 countries.

## OPPORTUNITY

### Top Hiring Companies



McKinsey & Company

BAIN & COMPANY



DELL Technologies

JPMORGAN CHASE & CO.



BANK OF AMERICA



**12 Darden Worldwide  
Courses (DWCs) in 2025–26**

Recent cities include Dublin,  
Sydney, Ho Chi Minh, Helsinki,  
Marrakech and Buenos Aires.

## CENTERS & INITIATIVES

### Batten Institute

The heart of entrepreneurship, innovation and technology  
that shapes the future through experiential education.

### Center for Global Initiatives

Enhances global business education at Darden and expands  
the School's visibility and influence around the world,  
including coordinating Darden Worldwide Courses.

### Institute for Business in Society

Creates and leverages a body of multidisciplinary research  
and thought leadership to transform the way the world sees  
the role of business in the creation of a more productive,  
abundant and connected world.

### LaCross AI Institute

The LaCross Institute for Ethical Artificial Intelligence in  
Business converges Darden's core strengths: business  
ethics, stakeholder theory, an enterprise-wide perspective,  
and cutting-edge data analytics and decision sciences.

### Olsson Center for Applied Ethics

One of the leading sources of thinking about the role of  
ethics in business and to enhance the intellectual life of the  
University of Virginia.

### Richard A. Mayo Center for Asset Management

Advances the study and practice of responsible asset  
management globally through developing and delivering  
research, programming and student clubs.



**90.2%**

of Class of 2025 students  
received at least one job  
offer by three months after  
graduation.



**\$162,578\***

Average base salary

**\$36,906\***

Average signing bonus

\*Class of 2025

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