Declaring a formal option

Milgard Direct Admission students must meet the following requirements before declaring a formal option in business:

- Cumulative GPA of at least a 2.75 in all college coursework.
- Cumulative GPA of at least a 2.75 in business prerequisites: accounting, business law, economics, and statistics.
- Business prerequisites and English Composition must receive a numeric grade. The minimum acceptable grade in the prerequisite courses is 2.0.
- Accounting students must earn a minimum 2.5 grade in each accounting prerequisite course and a cumulative 3.0 average across all accounting prerequisite courses.

To continue in the Milgard Direct Admission program

In order to maintain eligibility for the Milgard Direct Admission program, admitted students must make progress toward the business degree.

Direct Admission students must show satisfactory academic performance each quarter to continue in the program. Students dropping below a 2.5 cumulative GPA may be dismissed from the Direct Admission program.

Direct Admission students who reach 105 credits and are not yet ready to declare a business option due to lack of prerequisite completion or low GPA may be dismissed from the Direct Admission program.

Students who are dismissed from the Direct Admission program will be coded as pre-major and must apply to the Milgard School of Business if they still want to pursue a business degree.

Scholarship

Newly admitted Direct Admission students may be awarded a Milgard scholarship. This scholarship is applied toward UW Tacoma tuition and fees only and will be paid in six equal installments in the autumn, winter, and spring quarters of the student’s first two academic years at UW Tacoma. To receive the scholarship, Direct Admission students must enroll full-time each award quarter, with a minimum of 12 credits. Students who switch to a different major or are dropped from the Direct Admission program due to academic performance will forfeit their scholarship. At the end of their first academic year, they must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 to maintain the scholarship for the following academic year. At the conclusion of this 2-year scholarship period, students may apply for Milgard scholarships that are competitive and open to all Milgard students.