



University of Houston-Downtown

Marilyn Davies
College of Business

Bachelor of Business Administration in

INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT



Earning Potential

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the national average salary for:

- Underwriter is **\$75,350**
- Claims Adjuster is **\$70,630**
- Median Annual Pay Actuary is **\$111,030**
- Risk Manager is **\$112,000**

Delivery Options

- Downtown
- Northwest
- Kingwood
- Online

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Regardless of the state of the global economy, there will always be a vital need for risk management and insurance in both the private and public sectors. Earning a Bachelor of Business Administration in Insurance and Risk Management (IRM) offers career stability for graduates of the UHD program.

Developed by industry professionals, the IRM degree program curriculum focuses on the knowledge, skills, and abilities that are sought in today's insurance industry. Throughout the program, students work closely with these professionals to secure paid internships and/or full-time employment. Because of the dire need for talent in the insurance and risk management industry, job placement rate is extremely high.

About the Program

This IRM program, which is offered fully online, is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business-International, and ranks No. 2 on the list of best online insurance degrees for 2020*. Courses are taught by faculty who are industry experts and offer high-impact learning and networking experience, such as industry meetings, conferences, seminars, tradeshow, and more.

In addition to earning credits toward a bachelor's degree, the majority of the courses in the program prepares students for national examinations required to earn professional designations such as the following:

- Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU)
- Certified Risk Manager (CRM)
- Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC)
- Certified Life Underwriter (CLU)

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Optional Minors

Students may further specialize their degree by choosing one of the suggested minors:

Finance (21-hour minimum), General Business (18-hour minimum), or Management (18-hour minimum).

Affiliated Student Organizations

Gamma Iota Sigma (GIS) fraternity encourages and supports students interested in pursuing careers in insurance, risk management, and actuarial science. It's also intended to improve the members' leadership, public speaking, and business planning skills. GIS builds relationships with industry professionals, encourages networking among peers as well as community engagement.

Scholarships

Each new IRM major enrolled in an IRM course is eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship offered by the UHD **Insurance & Risk Management Center**. All other IRM majors will be eligible for an IRM scholarship in the fall and spring semesters if they meet certain criteria.

Insurance Council of Texas Scholarship is awarded to students who are interested in pursuing a career with a property and casualty company in Texas.



Next Steps

Applicants must complete and submit all of the following items:

- Apply for admissions online via Apply Texas: goapplytexas.org
- Submit your \$50 application fee
- Apply for Financial Aid fafsa.ed.gov
- Fulfill Testing Requirements uhd.edu/testing
- Get Advised and Register uhd.edu/academics/advising
- Pay for Classes uhd.edu/cashiers
- Prepare for Class



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