



Worldwide Association
of Business Coaches

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*With the WABC Certified Master Business Coach[®]
(CMBC[®])*



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The Worldwide Association of Business Coaches (WABC), in association with Middlesex University and the Professional Development Foundation (PDF) in the UK, is pleased to offer a fully accredited master's degree tailored directly to business coaches.

The Master of Arts in Professional Development (Business Coaching) is a unique opportunity for business coaches who are seeking top-level professional development. This MA degree, like the Certified Master Business Coach[®] (CMBC[®]) designation that leads up to it, allows you to leverage the real-world experience you've gained in your practice. You can design your own program, choose your own research area and complete your own work-based project—all without going outside your area of specialization.

Earn the CMBC[®], then use it as a fast track to an MA in business coaching. You'll end up with the two most prestigious, most marketable credentials our emerging profession has to offer.

The Master of Arts in Professional Development (Business Coaching) is not just for business coaches who already have a university degree.

If you hold the CMBC[®] designation, then you can apply 90 credits toward this unique degree from Middlesex University. Simply complete three modules of work-based research to earn the other 90 credits to complete your degree.

The CMBC[®] fast track rewards you with two advanced credentials: the CMBC[®] from WABC and the Master of Arts in Professional Development (Business Coaching) from Middlesex.

First Post-Graduate Degree Specifically for Business Coaches

For over a decade now, WABC has dedicated itself to raising the profile of business coaching, still an emerging profession, and differentiating it from coaching in general. The **Master of Arts in Professional Development (Business Coaching)** is a logical step in those efforts. The first post-graduate program designed specifically for business coaches, this master's degree offers what might be the richest learning experience you'll encounter outside your professional practice.



To deliver this advanced degree, WABC turned to Middlesex University, an international leader in developing work-based programs, and the Professional Development Foundation (PDF), an independent academic body accredited by Middlesex. Working with WABC's expert consultants, Middlesex and PDF have put together a program that meets the demanding requirements of business coaches who want to further their knowledge and their careers with unique professional development from a fully recognized and accredited university.

Like most master's programs, this one involves considerable research. What's different is that this research must be work-based; research into purely academic topics is not enough. Your research must relate to your business coaching practice and have an effect upon it. Ideally, it will also contribute to the business coaching profession in general.

You can choose your own research subject. Your adviser will recommend that you follow your passion and focus on areas that are significant to your work as a business coach. Once you have a subject, you will design your own program, submit it for approval and then follow it through.

The CMBC[®] Fast Track

The **Master of Arts in Professional Development (Business Coaching)** is open to anyone who holds the CMBC[®]. Once you have earned the designation, you have five years to start the master's program. Or you can pursue the CMBC[®] and the degree at the same time. Either way, the CMBC[®] counts as 90 credits towards the master's degree, leaving 90 additional credits to earn through the research program.

To earn these research credits you must complete three modules, to an approved standard and within a time frame agreed to between you and Middlesex University.

1. Program Planning Module (PDF 4811): Create a customized program of work-based research that's acceptable to Middlesex University.
2. Research Methodology Module (PDF 4825): Develop your understanding of research and prepare a research proposal for your work-based project.
3. Work-Based Project Module (PDF 4860): Carry out the work-based project you proposed in PDF 4825 (i.e., a project relevant to business coaching), present your research findings and write a reflective report. Or, if you have significant published or public work in business coaching, you may submit it together with a critical reflection (PDF 4861).



Throughout the program, you will be supported by an adviser and a research supervisor. You will have to maintain contact with both and complete your work to the required standard.

There are no residency requirements for this program. You will be registered with the university as a work-based student and will enjoy the privileges of student status, among them online library access and use of campus facilities. You will also have access to a full range of manuals and other resources through Middlesex University and the PDF Learning Net.

Note: You must be a Full Member of WABC in good standing, both before and during the program.

Frequently Asked Questions

Is there a time limit for beginning the degree?

You must begin the master's degree within five years of obtaining your CMBC[®].

Is there a time limit for completing the degree?

You are expected to complete the requirements within five years of being admitted to the program.

Can people without the CMBC[®] pursue this degree?

No. This degree is attainable only through the CMBC[®] fast track as outlined above.

How do I register?

Once you've completed (or been accepted in) the CMBC[®] program and are ready to apply for the master's degree, contact your CMBC[®] adviser, who will help you get the registration form from Middlesex University.

Can I get a tuition credit for income tax purposes?

Middlesex University and PDF will provide you with documentation on request. It may or may not be accepted in a given country, depending on tax regulations.

Pricing

One all-inclusive price: **£4,200**

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For More Information

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