Modality Switch FAQ

a. How is the asynchronous online program different than the campus/synchronous-based program?

The online modality will offer courses in 7-week, asynchronous session with six sessions per calendar year: Fall A, Fall B, Spring A, Spring B, Summer A, and Summer B. Taking two courses per session may allow for a faster time to graduation.

The General MBA, MBA with a Concentration in Business Analytics, and the Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics will remain the degree offerings in the new modality.

b. How do I switch from a campus/synchronous-based program to Online?

Please email the MBA office at radfordmba@radford.edu or Sandi McGrady smcgrady2@radford.edu with your decision to transition by June 15, 2021.

c. What would be the benefit of switching from on campus/synchronous to online?

Students who transition to the new modality will receive a price discount for the remainder of their program. Students may also benefit from a faster time to graduation (schedule permitting).

d. Would my credits from the campus program apply to online?

Yes. You will be able to use your existing credits toward completion of the asynchronous program.

e. Can I switch back to campus/synchronous-based program if the online program does not work for me?

No. The transition to the 7-week, asynchronous format is a one-way transition. Students who make the transition must continue to take their remaining courses in that format.
f. Is the asynchronous online program the same cost?

No. Students in the 7-week, asynchronous modality will receive a discounted pricing structure. The total per credit hour cost of this modality will be $444 for both In-State and Out-of-State students.

The traditional modality cost per credit hour may be found here: https://www.radford.edu/content/bursar/home/accounts/tuition.html. Please check this page again during the summer, as these costs may be updated for the 2021-2022 academic year.

g. Does the payment schedule remain the same?

The payment schedule will be conducted according the university schedule may be found here: https://www.radford.edu/content/bursar/home/cashier/payment-deadlines.html. This schedule is still being finalized at this time. Please check this page again during the summer, as the schedule will be updated for the 2021-2022 academic year.

h. If I decide to stay in the campus/synchronous-based program, will my curriculum be affected?

Your curriculum will not be affected through Spring 2022. After the close of the Spring 2022 semester, all students remaining in the traditional program will be transitioned into the 7-week, asynchronous modality.

i. If I decide to switch to the asynchronous online program, will my curriculum be affected?

The curriculum for the new modality is consistent with the existing modality. However, the scheduling of courses will be different. Please map out your remaining courses to ensure that the transition will not delay your time to graduation due to the differences in the timing of the course offerings. The schedule of courses for both modalities may be found here: https://www.radford.edu/content/grad/home/academics/graduate-programs/mba/academics/course-schedule.html.

Financial Aid

a. How many credits must I be enrolled in per session and/or term to qualify for financial aid?
Beginning in Fall 2021, the following enrollment guidelines will become effective:

At Radford University, the minimum full-time load for a graduate student is six (6) graduate credit hours per semester. (Be aware that insurers, private lenders, employers, and other third-party entities may define full-time status differently.) Additionally, graduate students are advised not to exceed the maximum course load recommended by their program; doing so may negatively impact one’s academic/job performance and overall wellbeing.

For the 7-week, asynchronous program, a student who enrolls in a 3 credit hours (one course) per session (ex: Fall A and Fall B) will have been enrolled in 6 credit hours for the Fall semester.

Additional Financial Aid questions should be referred to our Financial Aid Office. Their contact information can be found here: https://www.radford.edu/content/financial-aid/home.html