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About WPI’s Executive PhD

Designed for seasoned business professionals ready to apply their expertise in new and fulfilling ways.

• Elevate what you can do in your current role or branch out into consulting, teaching, or conducting research

• Gain the status of a thought leader and create a lasting impact and legacy in your field of expertise

• Work with faculty experts who will support and guide you as you work through the program and your research agenda

• Collaborate closely with a cohort of fellow students whose interests and initiatives match your own
Admission Requirements

• Master's Degree holders
• 15+ years of industry experience
• Strong demonstrated expertise in chosen field
• Passionate problem solvers
• Keen desire to create high-impact solutions

Key Considerations:

• Rolling admission decisions
• Flexible and cohort based
• Some residency is required
• No scholarships awarded
The Need for Accomplished Thought Leaders

"Our world requires strategic thinkers and leaders who are innovative in ways that yield societal impact while also engaging diverse constituencies."

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“This degree will enable me to do more advanced research ... and become a recognized expert on entrepreneurship.”

Scorpio Rogers, Executive PhD Student
This is a degree for people who love learning ... It also allows you to get valuable input from people who may not otherwise talk to you ... You’re actually trying to help an industry, which in turn can help them.”

Ron Welter ’87, ’02 (MS), ’14 (MBA), Executive PhD Student
WPI Business School Research Labs

Business x STEM Research Labs

- Business Dev. Lab (ENT)
- Social Media Analytics Lab (IT & MKT)
- ARCHE (OM)
- Digital Health Lab (IT & OM)
- UXDM Lab (IT & OM)
- FinTech Lab
WPI Business School Faculty Expertise

- Sustainability
- Business Intelligence & Analytics
- Health Informatics
- Information Technology
- Blockchain Applications
- Fintech
- User Experience
- Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
- Innovation
- Optimization for Social Good
- Entrepreneurship
- Supply Chain Management

We Are Changemakers, Leaders, and Boundary Breakers
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