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Business Education in Latin America: How is the Educational System today

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The Global Economic Crisis has driven Change in Business School Education

“We may learn something from the financial and economic crisis. Some authors claim it is a crisis of values, some others claim it is crisis of capitalism, and some even blame business school education; all of them complain that research was not very helpful in the crisis, in anticipating it, avoiding it or solving its consequences”.

Trends in Business Schools

1. There is a need of a more “humanistic management”.
2. The new economy demands innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainability in the business curricula.
3. Employers demand a new set of “soft skills”, for leadership success and corporate collaboration.
4. An interdisciplinary and interscholastic approach is required for entering a mutually shared context.
5. A global business perspective is expected in all programs.
6. Full-time MBA demand is decreasing while Part-time and Executive Education are raising.

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# Global Demands for Business Schools

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Business Schools in Latin America

• Group 1:
  – Have achieved international accreditations, such as AACSB, AMBA, EQUIS.
  – Look to participate in international rankings.
  – Usually part of private universities and/or supported by prestigious business empires.

• Group 2:
  – With local government accreditations.
  – Usually part of public universities and depend on public sector funding.
  – Governmental agencies increasingly requiring international criteria for domestic accreditations (e.g., internationalization of students, faculty credentials, admission standards, etc.)
Business Schools in Latin America

Challenges (additional to global challenges):

– Economic volatility imposes high costs to business schools
– Moving from teaching to research schools: hard decision between financing basic or applied research.
– Attracting national/international faculty to fulfill the needs on both teaching and research: being able to attract such faculty or to develop own faculty at a very high cost.
– Lack or limited domestic labor market for graduates.
– Political instability in certain countries: threatens the business sector, hence the funding and the graduates’ employment expectations.
– Foreign, recognized schools offers in LA, alone or in alliance with domestic schools.
Recent trends in general:

- Increasing emphasis on attaining national and international accreditations/rankings.
- Moving to an outward looking vision: second language requirement, international alliances, global internships, international business connections, etc.
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Innovative and market-based results, examples:

✓ Schools becoming Centers of Entrepreneurial development: with business incubators or accelerators as part of the education/research model.

✓ Alliances to achieve relevant research and its application in Latin America: Social Enterprise Knowledge Network (SEKN).

✓ International alliances and mobility: double degrees, student exchanges, joint research.

✓ Business Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives and centers.
SUMMARY OF CHALLENGES

Global Challenges
- Humanistic Approach
- Innovation, Entrepreneurship, Sustainability, Intrapreneurship
- "Soft skills"
- Interdisciplinary and Interscholastic approach
- Global business perspective
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Additional Challenges
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Corporate Connection

Value Model

Input on Design and Development of Curricula

Team-Teaching balances theory-practice model

Ecosystem of entrepreneurship and intrapreneurship

International Forum and Business Networking Events

Business sustainability programs in collaboration with Industry partners

International Collaboration via academic-corporate partnerships

Corporate Business Chairs

Close collaboration with Industry benefits Students, Graduates and Faculty as well as Business Partners and Employers.

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A comprehensive theory-practice model

Team combination of professors with senior business leaders enhances the relevance and immediacy of application in real world business situations.

Collaborative Learning method: PBL, POL, games, simulations, case studies, consulting projects, etc.

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Applied Research Chairs

Research Chairs supported by seed funding from the Business School and its Industry Partners: to support groups of faculty doing research on applied topics.

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Entrepreneurship Ecosystem:

- Business ideas
- SMEs

Business Incubation

Business Acceleration

Students and Faculty

- Business Plan
- Consultancy and mentoring services
- Access to financial support
- Generation of new technologies and innovation
- Assistance in marketing of new technologies/products

CURRICULA

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Active Career Center

- Data base for companies, organizations, graduates and students to connect and share information on executive positions.
- Networking for graduates and students, recruitment fairs and specific executive talent search services.
- Job search skills: CV, communication, coaching.
Social media to connect the School with business partners and collaborators

Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Google+ provide an immediate platform for connecting and informing our digital community about our Corporate relationships and initiatives.
What lies ahead for Business Education?

- The world is turning its eyes to the emergent economies (Latin America).
- There is a need to prepare graduates with a *global perspective* transformed to a *local understanding* of the unique challenges in the region.
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EGADE Business School, Mexico City (4 locations)

EBS-MBA sites in Peru, Ecuador & Panama.