**Strategic Management Ph.D. Program**

**School of Business**

**University of Kansas**

We are accepting applications for admission to the Ph.D. Program in Strategic Management at the University of Kansas (KU) for a small cohort of students beginning in Fall 2021.

The KU Strategic Management Doctoral Program prepares students for careers as scholars at colleges and universities. We focus on developing students’ abilities to become independent scholars and teachers who will contribute to the advancement of the Strategic Management field through research and theory-reflective teaching.

In addition to taking seminars in Strategic Management, doctoral students take at least five methods classes and seminars in related topics, such as Human Resources and Organizational Behavior. Students develop their own research expertise as they collaborate with KU faculty and each other. KU Strategy faculty members have published in top journals such as *Academy of Management Review*, *Journal of International Business Studies*, *Journal of Management*, *Journal of Management Studies*, *Organization Science* and *Strategic Management Journal*, among others, collaborate nationally and internationally, have served as editorial board members of top journals, and have received research awards from various academic communities.

The KU Strategic Management Doctoral Program emphasizes scholarly development through apprenticeship-style learning. KU Strategic Management faculty pride themselves on being available to Ph.D. students (even by Zoom during a pandemic!) and working with doctoral students as both colleagues and mentors. A vast majority of students have publications and/or major conference presentations coauthored with faculty members by graduation. A weekly cross-discipline Professional Development Workshop exposes doctoral students to top scholars in the Management field through invited presentations and sessions offering scholarly and career knowledge. The KU Management Area tries tobring in a cohort of students into Strategy, OB and HRM so every doctoral student may have peers for both academic and social support. The University of Kansas School of Business has doctoral programs in many other business disciplines, so students are part of a larger Business Ph.D. student community.

Admitted students are offered a tuition waiver and a stipend for five years. Travel and accommodation expenses for major academic conferences is usually covered by the School of Business. Thecurrentteaching requirement is two total sections (approx. 30-45 students) of undergraduate Strategic Management during their tenure in the program. Doctoral students may teach a third class that is usually an undergraduate elective in their area of expertise.

The University of Kansas is located in Lawrence, which has a relatively low cost of living and numerous living options, including metropolitan Kansas City which is 30 miles away. Lawrence is a welcoming college town with excellent restaurants, a vibrant arts and music community and numerous biking/hiking/outdoor opportunities.

Admission to the KU Strategic Management Doctoral Program is competitive. Students are not required to have an MBA degree or management experience, however, strong demonstrated intellectual abilities and the desire for a scholarly career are necessary. Application information and requirements may be found here: <https://business.ku.edu/academics/degrees/graduate/ph.d./how-to-apply>

More information about (1) the academic structure of the Ph.D. Program, (2) past student placements and (3) web links to current faculty and Ph.D. students may be found here: <https://business.ku.edu/academics/degrees/programs/phd-strategic-management>

Specific research-related questions of potential applicants may be emailed to any Strategic Management faculty member by following the link above to faculty web pages. Admissions process questions may be sent to Ms. Charly Edmonds, Director, Doctoral Program, ([cedmonds@ku.edu](mailto:cedmonds@ku.edu)).

The application deadline is January 10, 2021.