Description & Careers

The Field

Supply Chain Management is how business gets done. Supply chain management spans all movement and storage of raw materials, work-in-process inventory, and finished goods from point-of-origin to point-of-consumption. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Supply Chain Management is projected to continue to be one of the fastest growing industries for employment over the next ten years.

Countless firms rely on new technologies and the coordination of processes to expedite the distribution of goods. The use of computers to analyze work routines in order to optimize the use of available labor has led to increases in productivity. Modern systems development and related processes have created an entirely new set of integrated operations management functions, which require managers of supply chains, resource managers of material or manufacturing resources planning (MRP), and process and inventory control managers.

The Supply Chain Management undergraduate major offers students the comprehensive knowledge and technological skills they need in order to ensure employment in leading supply chain management roles. The requisite knowledge and skill sets extend over all supply chain echelons and functional areas: strategic sourcing, global procurement, contract management, business performance improvement, supply chain technologies and Six Sigma, pricing analysis, channel coordination, brand management, new product development, supply chain alignment, retail management, and distribution management.

Positions

The new generation of business school graduates who are competent and well-prepared, with solid knowledge in both supply chain management and marketing/sales management, are in high demand across all industries. Supply Chain Management students are prepared for positions such as procurement/sourcing manager, logistics planner, supply management analyst, acquisition project analyst, marketing analyst, and sales/distribution managers. Industries such as pharmaceutical and healthcare companies are investing heavily in creating and supporting supply chains that achieve new heights of efficiency and productivity.

Compensation

According to the 2012 U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook, bachelor’s degree candidates in supply chain management received offers with a median salary of $78,000.

Key Facts:
- Rutgers Business School Supply Chain Management undergraduate program tied for 2nd in North America
- Nearly 100% of SCM juniors obtain summer co-ops or internships
- Over 95% of graduating seniors land jobs by July
- Median pay: $78,000
- 50% of SCM graduates are double majors
- SCM professionals work an average of 41.5 hours per week

Excellence
Talented students, outstanding and demanding faculty, prestigious research University.

Diversity
Diverse and driven student body, diverse faculty, and a wide array of programs in diverse locations.

Access
Education that prepares students to make positive contributions to the economy of New Jersey and the world.