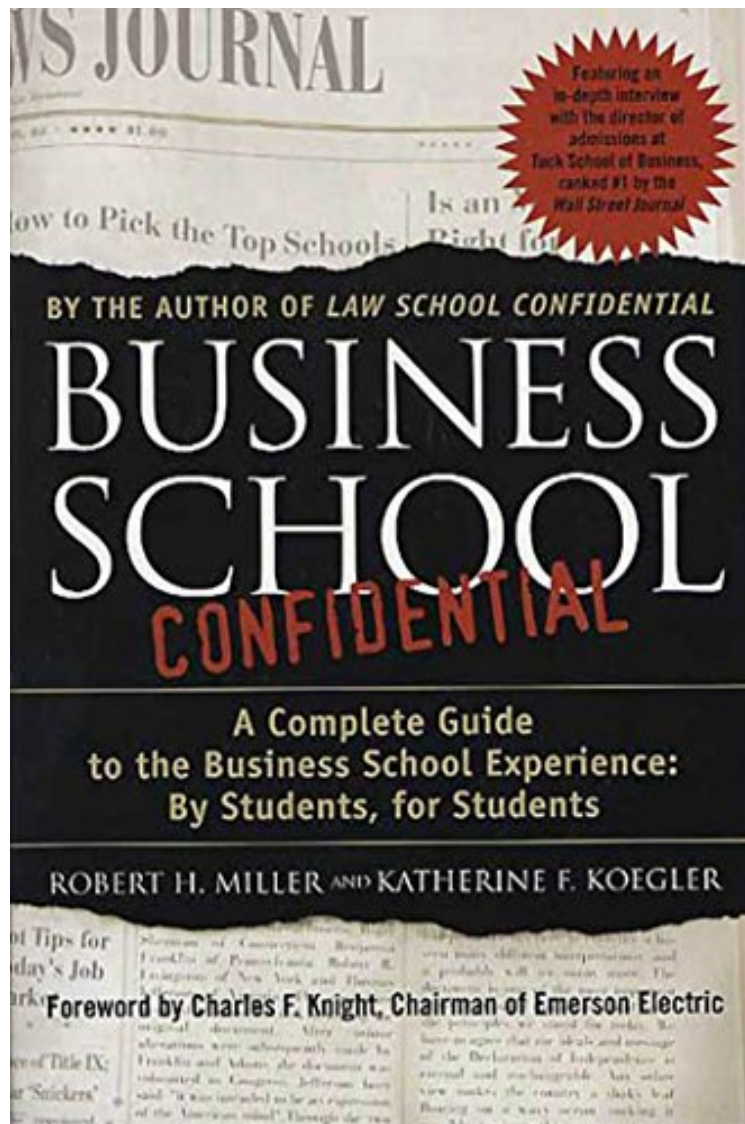


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insightful, they interview key ceo's about bschool and you get a relatively balanced perspective. The review of what a bschool course load could look like and an overview of common teaching styles was helpful. Yes, this book does not spend time on or recommend part time programs. Nearly all mentors / authors are from top tier bschools. Second half of book is mostly useless with some good nuggets of info. The second half of the book outlines stuff like "buy a desk, so you can study while at home!" and "show up to class on-time" well duh. Good news though, this book reads very very quickly. 16 of 16 people found the following review helpful. well-intentioned By SPG this book is really intended for people who are considering business school. the first half covers admissions strategy (good essays, choosing the right target school, how to craft a good application), and the second half covers, in less depth, the wind-up to the start of your full-time mba education. like other reviewers mentioned, it tells you things that are somewhat given, like "research good neighborhoods to live in near your school", "make sure your study area is well lit and quiet", and "make sure you have a high-speed internet connection". while the interviews with ceo's are interesting, the book doesn't offer too much in the way of guiding your 'game-plan' for your mba education. there's some discussion of core classes in the b-school curriculum, as well as the importance of summer internship placement and group work in classes. overall, i think that this is a great book for anyone thinking about b-school a year or so before applying, as it provides a broad breadth of mba-related issues to consider. in terms of anyone trying to craft their 'game-plan' for their mba education, you are probably better off getting in touch with students already in your program. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A nice early reference By B. Shamford Before I started business school I was thirsty for information about the experience and how I could best prepare. I checked out a variety of books and bought few without reading them at the store. I do not feel this book is appropriate for people who are already in and are eager to make the most of the next two years. A better choice would be Case Studies Cocktails: The "Now What?" Guide to Surviving Business School for it's narrowly focused but deep description of what to expect. In contrast, Business School Confidential takes a broad look for people who are considering business school or want an overview of the process from application through acceptance and school selection. I have lent this to various friends or given advice from it directly to friends who had specific questions, but did not have a gameplan yet. None of the information in this book is terribly insightful or a secret, but some people make appreciate having it all in one place. This is not a book I personally would buy again, but would encourage people to borrow or leaf through and then make their own gameplan for how they will get into the school of their dreams.

Featuring an in-depth interview with the Director of Admissions at Tuck School of Business, ranked #1 by the Wall Street Journal. Written for students about to embark on this two-year odyssey, by students who have successfully survived business school, Business School Confidential provides a comprehensive, blow-by-blow chronological account of the complete MBA experience. Miller and Loucks have assembled a panel of recent MBA graduates from across the country, all of whom are in a prime position to offer realistic and informative advice on what business school is really like today. Together, they will walk you through the entire process - from thinking about, applying to, and choosing a business school and program, through the two-year curriculum, recruiting, summer internships, networking, and ultimately, finding the perfect job. The book also features interviews with top Fortune 500 CEOs including Jeff Bezos of Amazon.com, Larry Bossidy, former CEO of Allied Signal; Vernon R. Loucks formerly of Baxter International and currently of Segway, Jim McNerney, CEO of 3M; and Edward Whitacre, Chairman and CEO of SBC, and with Kristine Laca, the Director of Admissions of Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College, currently rated as the #1 Business School in the U.S. according to the Wall Street Journal. This is truly a book no aspiring business school student should be without.

From Publishers Weekly For college students thinking about applying to business school or for those in the workforce considering an additional degree, the authors give the lowdown on taking the GMAT, choosing a school, funding your education, selecting a major, preparing for exams and seeking full-time employment upon graduation. Miller (Law School Confidential) and Loucks, a recent graduate of Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management, interviewed current MBA students to get the skinny on the "business school experience." They include handy tips for admissions interviews, getting a federal loan to pay for school, determining an appropriate workload and obtaining that coveted summer internship. Although the advice on "business school etiquette" is somewhat unnecessary ("do not speak out of turn"), for the most part, this is a valuable tool for those ready to throw themselves into b-school. Copyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. "Wondering what it takes to get into business school? Trying to determine whether an M.B.A. will advance your career? Uncertain about what business school is really all about, and what it will take to succeed when you get there? If you are considering business school, currently applying to business school, or presently in business school, Business School Confidential is a book you should not be without" - Princeton "Thorough... its thoughtful insights will stick with b-school candidates long afterwards." - BizEd Magazine