

# Master Degree vs. Master of Science vs. Master of Arts

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Generally speaking, the difference between a Master of Arts, Master of Science, and Master degree is the content and objective of the degree program. Here is a high-level synopsis of each type of degree:

**Master of Arts:** Focuses on the theory of a subject. Disciplines that do not have a technical application, like English or History, are offered as MA degree programs.

*NOTE: CSU-Global does **not** currently offer any MA Programs*

**Master of Science:** Focuses on the theory **and** has a stronger base of research in a subject. For example, the Master of Science in Management focuses on the theory (why) by researching the different disciplines of Management.

Here are a few examples of CSU-Global Master of Science Programs:

[M.S. Management](#)

[M.S. Organizational Leadership](#)

[M.S. Teaching and Learning](#)

**Master:** Focuses primarily on the professional application of a subject. For example, the Master of Finance degree focuses on the how-to of finance rather than the theory behind finance.

Here are some of the CSU-Global Master Programs:

[Master of Human Resource Management](#)

[Master of Information Technology Management](#)

[Master of Professional Accounting](#)

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