

MBA with emphasis in quantitative methods

With the encouragement of his undergraduate advisor, Bryce entered the MBA program at San Francisco State University. He took the usual fare of courses, including accounting, finance, marketing, management, managerial economics, and more. All MBA students took elective courses in a specialty field. SFSU has a well-known and highly-respected quantitative methods program, and that is what Bryce chose. With his background in statistics, it was a natural fit. Bryce's favorite courses among these electives included management science and operations research. (Today these courses are called Decision Science classes.)

An interesting point: For these quantitative methods electives, it was assumed that the students already knew how to design and write code. There was simply too much data crunching to do it any other way. Bryce's programming experience proved to be a benefit, as it allowed him to complete the numerous real-world projects on time. He used several programming languages and business/economics analysis software packages.

While in graduate school, Bryce taught a full load of **business information systems and business math classes** at SFSU. This ultimately led to his life-long love of teaching.

Bryce got his MBA and immediately began a consulting contract with the San Francisco Unified School District, followed by an 11-year-long job with Qantel Business Systems in Hayward. Qantel had a policy of promoting from within, and Bryce took advantage of it. He worked as a software instructor and manager of the education department, application software development manager, and manager of technical and marketing services.