

BUSINESS HONORS - BBA

Mays Business School offers a Business Honors program. Selection through a separate application process is required to be eligible for participation in Business Honors. Prospective students apply to Business Honors as incoming freshmen or during the spring semester of their freshman year. Both selection cycles are competitive processes. More information is available at <https://mays.tamu.edu/bba-business-honors/>.

Bachelor of Business Administration

The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Business Honors degree is available only to students admitted to Mays' Business Honors program. The Business Honors major is designed for students whose academic excellence is matched by strong character, leadership skills, and teamwork. The Business Honors major prepares students to begin careers in all fields or to continue on to a graduate program or professional school.

Students pursuing a BBA in Business Honors must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and meet other program requirements to continue in Business Honors. Students are required to complete a total of 30 hours of honors coursework plus an internship for credit. Other program requirements apply.

Business Honors majors work closely with an academic advisor to identify a set of courses to meet their academic goals. They may pursue a double major in Business Honors and one of the six other BBA majors (accounting, finance, management, management information systems, marketing and supply chain management).

Upper-Level Entry Requirements

Admission to an upper level (UL) major in Business Honors requires satisfactory completion of specific coursework, in addition to the application and selection process for Business Honors program participation. To review UL requirements and application procedures see Upper-Level Entry Requirements and Application Procedures. (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/business/>)

Program Requirements

Lower-Level Business Program (BUAD)

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
BUSN 101	Freshman Business Initiative ¹	3
MATH 140	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences ²	3
	American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ³	3
	Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)	3
	Communication	3
Select one of the following:		
COMM 203	Public Speaking	
COMM 205	Communication for Technical Professions	
COMM 243	Argumentation and Debate	

ENGL 104	Composition and Rhetoric	
ENGL 210	Technical and Professional Writing	

Semester Credit Hours 15

Spring

ECON 202	Principles of Economics	3
MATH 142	Business Calculus ⁴	3
	American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ³	3
	Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)	3
	Social and behavioral sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences)	3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Second Year

Fall

ACCT 229	Introductory Accounting	3
ECON 203	Principles of Economics	3
ISTM 210	Fundamentals of Information Systems	3
POLS 206	American National Government ³	3
	Communication ¹	3

Select one of the following:

COMM 203	Public Speaking	
COMM 205	Communication for Technical Professions	
COMM 243	Argumentation and Debate	
ENGL 104	Composition and Rhetoric	
ENGL 210	Technical and Professional Writing	

Semester Credit Hours 15

Spring

ACCT 230	Introductory Accounting	3
BUSN 203	Statistical Methods for Business ⁵	3
	Creative arts (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts) ¹	3

	Language, philosophy and culture (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)	3
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	Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)	3
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Semester Credit Hours 15

Total Semester Credit Hours 60

¹ Refer to the specific major notes below for variations from the Business (lower level) requirements.

² MATH 148, MATH 152, MATH 168 and MATH 172 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 140.

³ For those students under ROTC contract, see Requirement 7 of the "Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree." (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/>)

⁴ MATH 147, MATH 151 and MATH 171 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 142.

⁵ STAT 211 will be accepted in lieu of BUSN 203.

Management Information Systems: Students intending to major in Management Information Systems must add ISTM 250 Business Programming Logic and Design (3 credits) to second year fall curriculum in Business (lower level). The communication elective can be taken during the third year fall.

Business Honors: Students admitted to Business Honors (1) take BUSN 125 Business Learning Community I (3 credits) in place of BUSN 101 in the first year fall curriculum and (2) must add BUSN 225 Business Competency (3 credits) to the second year spring curriculum in Business (lower level). The creative arts elective can be taken during the third year fall.

Finance: Students intending to major in Finance must add FINC 210 to freshman year curriculum in Business (lower-level). The general elective taken in the fourth year can be reduced by 1 credit.

Upper-Level Business Honors Program

Third Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
FINC 341	Business Finance ¹	3
MGMT 363	Managing People in Organizations ¹	3
MKTG 321	Marketing ¹	3
Creative arts ²		3
International elective ³		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

MGMT 311	Legal and Social Environment of Business ¹	3
POLS 207	State and Local Government ⁴	3
SCMT 364	Operations Management ¹	3
Upper-division business elective ⁵		3
Upper-division business elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Fourth Year

Fall		
BUSN 484	Internship	3
Upper-division business elective ⁵		3
Upper-division business elective ⁵		3
General elective ⁶		3
General elective ⁶		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

MGMT 466	Strategic Management ⁷	3
International elective ³		3
Upper-division business elective ⁵		3
General elective ⁶		3
General elective ⁶		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Total Semester Credit Hours 60

¹ Five of the nine Common Body of Knowledge classes listed must be taken as honors: ACCT 229, ACCT 230, FINC 341, ISTM 210, BUSN 203, SCMT 364, MGMT 311, MGMT 363, MKTG 321.

² Refer to the major specific paragraph on the Lower-Level Business Program (BUAD). Select from approved creative arts elective courses.

³ Six hours required. A complete list of approved courses is available in the Undergraduate Advising Office, Room 238, Wehner Building. In the BBA curricula, three hours of approved international elective coursework simultaneously fulfills the University's International and Cultural Diversity Graduation requirement.

⁴ For those students under ROTC contract, see Requirement 7 of the 'Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/>).'

⁵ Any 300- or 400-level business course (ACCT, FINC, IBUS, ISTM, MGMT, MKTG, SCMT) except FINC 341, FINC 409; MGMT 309, MGMT 363, MGMT 466; MKTG 321, MKTG 409; MGMT 311, SCMT 309, SCMT 364. *At least one course must be designated as writing designated (W) or oral communication (C). Select in consultation with an academic advisor.*

⁶ Elective courses are open to any course offered for University credit, except ACCT 209, ACCT 210, FINC 409, IBUS 301, ISTM 209, KINE 198, MGMT 209, MGMT 309, MKTG 409, SCMT 309. Additional restrictions may apply: see academic advisor for information. May be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.

⁷ Must be taken as honors.

Total Program Hours 120