

BUSINESS - BS

The Bachelor of Science in Business (BSB) degree prepares students for careers in a variety of business roles. The BSB provides students the opportunity to combine a comprehensive business administration education with other areas of interest to create a customized degree program. Students will acquire core business knowledge and pursue an area of emphasis via a minor, certificate, or program-approved directed electives.

The flexibility and customization features of the BSB prepare students for a broad range of degree options based on their unique interests and skill sets. Students may pursue employment in traditional business roles or a sector in line with their area of interest. The flexibility of the BSB program may also allow for pre-professional students (pre-med, pre-health, etc.) to incorporate some or all their non-business prerequisite courses into their degree plan.

Students must be admitted to the Bachelor of Science in Business degree program and may not major or double-major in a Mays Business School Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) major, including accounting, business honors, finance, management, management information systems, marketing, and supply chain management.

Program Requirements

First Year

		Semester Credit Hours
Fall		
BUSN 101	Freshman Business Initiative	3
ECON 202	Principles of Economics	3
MATH 140	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences ¹	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	
Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3
Semester Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ECON 203	Principles of Economics	3
MATH 142	Business Calculus ²	3
POLS 206	American National Government	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
Semester Credit Hours		15

Second Year

Fall		
ACCT 229	Introductory Accounting	3
ISTM 210	Fundamentals of Information Systems	3
POLS 207	State and Local Government	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	
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ³		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

ACCT 230	Introductory Accounting	3
BUSN 203	Statistical Methods for Business ⁴	3
Creative arts (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)		3
Language, philosophy and culture (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Third Year

Fall		
FINC 341	Business Finance	3
MGMT 311	Legal and Social Environment of Business	3
MKTG 321	Marketing	3
General elective ⁵		3
General elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		15
Spring		
MGMT 363	Managing People in Organizations	3
SCMT 364	Operations Management	3
General elective ⁵		3
General elective ⁵		3
General elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Summer

BUSN 484	Internship	3
Semester Credit Hours		3

Fourth Year

Fall		
Science/Math elective ⁶		3
Science/Math elective ⁶		3
General elective ⁵		3

General elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		12
Spring		
BUSN 404	Business Capstone Project	3
MGMT 466	Strategic Management	3
Science/Math elective ⁶		3
General elective ⁵		3
General elective ⁵		3
Semester Credit Hours		15
Total Semester Credit Hours		120

¹ MATH 148, MATH 152, MATH 168 and MATH 172 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 140.

² MATH 147, MATH 151 and MATH 171 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 142.

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 STAT 211 will be accepted in lieu of BUSN 203.

⁵ Includes 12-18 hours of courses that were used to satisfy the required Minor or Certificate requirement and 9-15 hours of 100-499 courses not used elsewhere, except ACCT 209, ACCT 210, FINC 409, IBUS 301, ISTM 209, MGMT 209, MGMT 309, MKTG 409, SCMT 309. Additional restrictions may apply; see academic advisor for information. May be taken on a satisfactory basis.

⁶ In consultation with advisor select from approved science and mathematics courses. Courses counting towards a certificate or minor may also fulfill these requirements.

Program requires the completion of a minor or certificate for degree to be awarded.