

# Business Administration

## Business Administration Major

The Business Administration major is designed to provide students with a broad background in all of the aspects of business. Business Administration might be an appropriate major for students who will work in smaller organizations or own their businesses which will require a broader understanding of business. Also, some organizations may seek generalists rather than specialists because they may be more adaptable in rapidly changing business environments. This major might also be appropriate for students intending to go on to graduate studies that would benefit from a broad understanding of business, e.g., law school.

## Business Administration Minor

Majors outside the College of Business often select a minor in Business Administration to enhance their competencies and marketability through business-related knowledge and skills. A minor in Business Administration requires a minimum of 24 credits. At least 12 credits in 300-400 level BUSN, FIN, MGMT, and MRKT courses must be completed at NDSU in the College of Business. Prior departmental approval is required for any 300-400 level course not completed at NDSU but used to satisfy the minor requirements.

Students must earn a 2.50 grade point average that is based on the courses used for the Business Administration minor. A minor approval form is required and can be found at [www.ndsu.edu/business](http://www.ndsu.edu/business). This minor is not available to students with majors in the College of Business.

## Major Requirements

### Major: Business Administration

Degree Type: B.S.

Minimum Credits Required for Degree: 126

### General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degree

- A list of approved general education courses is available here (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).
- General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review the major, minor, and program emphases requirements for minimum grade restrictions, should they apply.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Communication (C)</b>		12
ENGL 110	College Composition I	
ENGL 120	College Composition II	
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
Upper Division Writing <sup>†</sup>		
<b>Quantitative Reasoning (R) <sup>†</sup></b>		3
<b>Science and Technology (S) <sup>†</sup></b>		10
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts (A) <sup>†</sup></b>		6
<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) <sup>†</sup></b>		6
<b>Wellness (W) <sup>†</sup></b>		2
<b>Cultural Diversity (D) <sup>**†</sup></b>		
<b>Global Perspectives (G) <sup>**†</sup></b>		
Total Credits		39

\* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

<sup>†</sup> May be satisfied with courses required in the major. Review major requirements to determine if a specific upper division writing course is required.

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Pre-College of Business Requirements</b>		
ACCT 200	Elements of Accounting I <sup>*</sup>	3
ACCT 201	Elements of Accounting II <sup>*</sup>	3

COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking (May satisfy general education category C) *	3
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics (May satisfy general education category B and G) *	3
MIS 116	Business Use of Computers	3
ECON 202	Principles of Macroeconomics (May satisfy general education category B and G) *	3
ENGL 110	College Composition I (May satisfy general education category C) *	3
ENGL 120	College Composition II (May satisfy general education category C) *	3
PHIL 216	Business Ethics (May satisfy general education category A) *	3
STAT 330	Introductory Statistics (May satisfy general education category R) *	3
STAT 331	Regression Analysis *	2
MATH 144	Mathematics for Business *	4
<b>Pre-Business Administration Requirements</b>		
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology *	3
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology *	3
<b>Business Administration Major Requirements **</b>		
BUSN 301	Organizational Citizen	0
ENGL 320	Business and Professional Writing (May satisfy general education category C)	3
FIN 320	Principles of Finance <sup>1</sup>	3
MGMT 320	Foundations of Management <sup>1</sup>	3
MGMT 330	Foundations of Organizational Behavior	3
MGMT 360	Operations Management	3
MRKT 320	Foundations of Marketing <sup>1</sup>	3
BUSN 430	Legal and Social Environment of Business <sup>1</sup>	3
BUSN 487	Managerial Economics	4
BUSN 489	Strategic Management <sup>1</sup>	4
MIS 320	Management Information Systems <sup>1</sup>	3
ECON 324	Money and Banking	3
<b>300-400 Level Courses **</b>		<b>18</b>
Of the 18 credits, at least one 300-400 level course must be completed in each of the following 4 areas (includes courses cross-listed with CoB courses):		
1) FIN		
2) MGMT		
3) MRKT		
4) Environment of Business: Select at least one from the following:		
BUSN 318	Taxation in Management Decisions	
BUSN 340	International Business	
BUSN 341	Global Business Environment	
BUSN 347	Principles of Real Estate	
BUSN 383	Organizational Communication I	
BUSN 431	Business Law I-Contracts, Property and Torts	
BUSN 432	Business Law II-Business Organization and Commercial Transactions	
BUSN 440	International Business Law	
BUSN 474	Cooperatives	
<b>300-400 College of Business Electives **</b>		<b>6</b>
Any courses from the College of Business with the prefixes of ACCT, BUSN, FIN, LEAD, MGMT, MIS, or MRKT; includes courses cross-listed with CoB courses; excludes ATHL credits		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>101</b>

\* Pre-college and pre-business administration major courses. A grade of 'C' or better for pre-college and pre-business administration major courses is required for admission into the Business Administration major.

\*\* Students must earn a 'C' or better and have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA in ALL courses included in the professional program (i.e., all required courses, elective requirements, and additional 300-400 level CoB electives or breadth electives). The only exception is BUSN 301, which is a P/F course.

<sup>1</sup> Denotes Common Body of Knowledge (CBK) course.

## Degree Requirements and Notes

- Students must include one of the following international courses in their plan of study:

Code	Title	Credits
BUSN 340	International Business	3
BUSN 341	Global Business Environment	3
FIN 440	International Finance	3
MGMT 440	International Management	3
MRKT 440	International Marketing	3

- Students follow the published curricula for the business administration program of study from the semester/year of entrance in the College of Business to graduation, provided enrollment at NDSU has not been discontinued for more than one year. Students who change their major are subject to meeting the curricular requirements in effect at the time the new major is declared.
- Business courses from programs that do not hold AACSB International accreditation cannot be used for major or minor requirements in the College of Business (CoB); such courses may be eligible for use as free electives.
- The CoB accepts a maximum of nine credits of non-NDSU 300-400 level business courses from AACSB programs with approval of the department.
- Admission into the Business Administration Major: Students must earn a 'C' or better in the pre-college and pre-business administration major courses that are indicated with an asterisk (\*), achieve junior standing (60 credits), and earn a 2.50 institutional cumulative grade point average. Students must submit an online application to the CoB.
- Admission to the business administration major is required to enroll in advanced 300 or 400 level CoB courses.
- A grade of 'C' or better is required in transfer courses accepted for ACCT 200 Elements of Accounting I and ACCT 201 Elements of Accounting II and all 300-400 level accounting, business administration, finance, management, management information systems, and marketing courses.
- A letter grade must be earned in any course that fulfills a major requirement. The only exception is BUSN 301, which is a P/F course.
- A 2.50 cumulative grade point average is required to enroll in 300-400 level CoB courses.
- Students must earn a 2.50 institutional GPA to graduate.
- Of the credits completed in residence at least 30 credits must be in 300-400 level CoB courses.
- Students must be accepted to the Business Administration major prior to the completion of the last 30 credits in 300 and 400 level CoB courses.
- For multiple majors within CoB, at least 15 unique credits of 300-400 level CoB courses must exist between the majors.
- Internship and cooperative education credits may be applied toward the total credits required for graduation as non-major electives.
- Students should refer to [www.ndsu.edu/business](http://www.ndsu.edu/business) for current and complete listing of the major requirements.

## Minor Requirements

### Business Administration Minor

#### Minor Requirements

**Required Credits: 24**

Students should refer to College of Business (<https://www.ndsu.edu/business>) for information on declaring this minor.

#### Requirements

Select one of the following:		3-6
ACCT 102	Fundamentals of Accounting	
ACCT 200 & ACCT 201	Elements of Accounting I and Elements of Accounting II	
Select one of the following:		3-6
ECON 105	Elements of Economics	
ECON 201 & ECON 202	Principles of Microeconomics and Principles of Macroeconomics	
Select two of the following:		6
FIN 320	Principles of Finance	
MGMT 320	Foundations of Management	
MRKT 320	Foundations of Marketing	
<b>Elective Courses</b>		<b>12</b>

An additional 12 credits of 300-400 level business administration (BUSN), Finance (FIN), Management (MGMT), or Marketing (MRKT) courses; may include MIS 320, ENTR 366, ENTR 385, LEAD 305, LEAD 325, but excludes BUSN 413 and BUSN 415; may also include courses cross-listed with CoB courses

Total Credits

24

### Minor Requirements and Notes

- To be accepted into the minor program, students must have a 2.50 institutional cumulative GPA and at least junior standing (60 credits). This minor is not available to students with majors in the College of Business.
- Departmental approval is required for any course (including Tri-College) NOT completed at NDSU and used to satisfy the minor requirements (6 credits maximum).
- Students must earn a 2.50 minimum GPA, which is based upon the courses used to satisfy the minor requirements. Minors must satisfy all course prerequisites.
- Students should refer to [www.ndsu.edu/business](http://www.ndsu.edu/business) for information on declaring the minor with the College of Business.

### Plan of Study

<b>Freshman</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
ENGL 110	4	COMM 110	3
MIS 116	3	ENGL 120	3
SOC 110	3	MATH 103 or 107	3-4
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	PSYC 111	3
Non-major Elective	3	Wellness Elective	2
		Science & Technology Elective	2
	16		16-17
<b>Sophomore</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
ACCT 200	3	ACCT 201	3
ECON 201	3	ECON 202	3
MATH 144	4	STAT 331	2
PHIL 216	3	Cultural Diversity or Non-Major Elective	3
STAT 330	3	Science & Technology Elective (w/ lab)	4
	16		15
<b>Junior</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
ENGL 320	3	BUSN 430	3
FIN 320	3	MGMT 330	3
MGMT 320	3	MIS 320	3
MRKT 320	3	300-400 Level Business Electives (2)	6
Non-major Elective	3-4		
	15-16		15
<b>Senior</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
BUSN 487	4	BUSN 489	4
ECON 324	3	300-400 Level Business Electives (4)	12
MGMT 360	3		

300-400 Level Business Electives	6	
	16	16

Total Credits: 125-127

\* At some time following the completion of BUSN 189 and prior to graduation, all College of Business students must register for and successfully complete BUSN 301 (0 credits).

NOTE: This is only a sample curriculum; actual schedules will depend on course availability and individual choices. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic adviser on a regular basis to review their plan of study.