Management

Department Information

- Department Web Site:
  www.ndsu.edu/business/ (http://www.ndsu.edu/business/)
- Credential Offered:
  B.S.
- Official Program Curriculum:
  catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/management/ (http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/management/)

The management curriculum has been carefully designed to inspire and enable students to meet the demand of today's business and organizational landscapes. Management is an exciting and ever-developing field, and our students are supported by curriculum that fosters critical thinking, interpersonal and communication skills, leadership, analytic skills, and global awareness. A success measure of our management program is the successful placement of our graduates in business, industry, and non-profit organizations, in tandem with their enhanced abilities to plan, organize, work as a team, and make sound decisions.

Background Information

The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International) accredits the undergraduate and graduate programs in the College of Business at North Dakota State University (NDSU). Our College of Business is one of only two AACSB-accredited schools of business in North Dakota.

AACSB International is one of higher education's most prestigious and rigorous accrediting bodies, emphasizing a commitment to continuous improvement, innovation, engagement, and impact in business education. Less than 10 percent of business programs worldwide have this accreditation, highlighting the academic excellence of our College of Business at NDSU.

The Program

The Management major is a four-year program with a curricular blend of general education, pre-major course work, fundamental business knowledge (accounting, finance, management, marketing, and information systems), international exposure, and in-depth management-specific courses. Students pursuing a Management major can also choose the Human Resource Management track or Supply Chain Management track to advance their field-specific skills and knowledge. The program nurtures important business skills and managerial competencies including planning, organizing, problem-solving, analytical ability, communication, teamwork, and leadership. Management students are thus prepared to lead and perform in evolving landscapes of business enterprises and non-profit organizations.

Selective Admission

Students who wish to study management at NDSU enroll as pre-management students in the College of Business for the first semester of their freshman year. Admission to the major requires the successful completion of the pre-major course requirements (ENGL 120, COMM 110, MATH 144, ECON 201 or 202, and PSYC 111 or SOC 110) and a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.50. Transfer students may also be eligible for immediate admission in the major. Contact a College of Business professional advisor for more information.

The Faculty

To provide a rigorous and relevant educational experience to our students, faculty in our program are highly qualified in their respective areas of expertise. Our faculty have been recognized for their teaching excellence by their students and colleagues and for their outstanding research by their peers. They employ a wide variety of instructional techniques and embed both classical and cutting-edge knowledge into their classes. They remain current in their fields by actively engaging in research and/or with firms and business professionals regarding their management practice, business challenges and issues.

The Practicum/Internship

Management majors are encouraged to complete practicum experiences, ideally at the end of sophomore and junior years. The practicum is designed to enable our students to connect management concepts learned in the classroom with live business situations and to broaden their horizons beyond the classroom setting. The practicum also gives students a competitive edge in job placement.

Career Opportunities

Graduates with a management major have career opportunities in business, industry, government service, and the non-profit sector, both regionally and globally. Employment opportunities for management majors are significant as the management function exists in every type of business and organization, whether manufacturing or service, small- or large-sized, for-profit or not-for-profit. Major job categories include human resources, supply chain/operations, project management, product/service management, and general management.
The College
In addition to the management major, the College of Business offers undergraduate majors in accounting, business administration, finance, global business (second major only), marketing, management information systems, and supply chain management, as well as several minors and certificates. Full details about minors and certificates can be found at https://www.ndsu.edu/business/programs/undergraduate/. The College of Business also offers six graduate programs including Master of Business Administration, MBA in Agribusiness, Master of Accountancy, Master of Science in Business Analytics, Master of Supply Chain Management, and a Doctorate in Transportation and Logistics, as well as several graduate certificates. Full details about graduate certificate programs can be found at https://www.ndsu.edu/business/programs/graduate/graduate_certificates/.

High School Preparation
It is recommended that high school students interested in studying management at the university level take mathematics courses at least through pre-calculus. High school electives in the social sciences, communication, and English also would be beneficial. Students who have satisfactorily completed Advanced Placement courses in Calculus, Economics, English, Communication, and Psychology or Sociology may be immediately eligible for admission to the major. Please speak with a professional advisor in the College of Business for more information.