Curriculum Standard

Curriculum Program Title  
Business Administration

Code  
A25120

(Not applicable)

Curriculum Description

The Business Administration curriculum is designed to introduce students to the various aspects of the free enterprise system. Students will be provided with a fundamental knowledge of business functions, processes, and an understanding of business organizations in today’s global economy.

Course work includes business concepts such as accounting, business law, economics, management, and marketing. Skills related to the application of these concepts are developed through the study of computer applications, communication, team building, and decision making.

Through these skills, students will have a sound business education base for lifelong learning. Graduates are prepared for employment opportunities in government agencies, financial institutions, and large to small business or industry.

Curriculum Requirements*

I. General Education. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.

II. Major Hours. AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in a degree or diploma program up to a maximum of 8 semester hours and in a certificate program up to a maximum of 2 semester hours. (See back of page for Major Hours requirements)

III. Other Required Hours. A college may require other subjects or courses to complete graduation requirements. These requirements may include electives, orientation, study skills courses, or other graduation requirements.

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*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.
**Major Hours**

A. **Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.

B. **Concentration (if applicable).** A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.

C. **Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degree and diploma curriculum programs up to a maximum of 8 semester hours credit and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours credit.

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B. **CONCENTRATION (not applicable)**

C. **OTHER MAJOR HOURS**

To be selected from the following prefixes:

ACC, AIB, BAF, BUS, CIS, COE, CSC, CSV, ECM, ECO, HRM, INT, ISC, LOG, MKT, OMT, OST, PAD, RLS, and **SPA**

**This prefix is limited to a maximum of 3 SHC**

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