

2009-2010

B.A. in Business Administration

Concentration in Management Information Systems (MIS)

College of Business and Economics

What Is the Study of Business Administration?

The Business Administration program has been designed to prepare students for leadership roles in business and the community. The educational objectives of the program are fourfold: offer innovative undergraduate curricula that reflect state-of-the-art knowledge in our areas of expertise; prepare students with the necessary skills and knowledge for a professional career; provide students with opportunities to improve their communication, team and problem solving skills to work effectively with different organizations and cultures; encourage students to develop critical thinking skills and an appreciation of intellectual inquiry. Graduates in this program will have completed a broad Business Program plus a wide range of non-business subjects, reflecting the Department's belief that education should prepare students for satisfying achievements in life as well as business.

Why Should I Consider This Major?

The Management Information Systems (MIS) concentration provides a course of study covering a variety of responsibilities in both public and private organizations. Information systems professionals deal with technology that connects people worldwide, allowing them to share information and make decisions. MIS focuses on the combination of human and technical capabilities to further the organization's success. Even in today's economic times, firms have difficulty finding IT/IS staff who understand both the application of technology and the functions of business that the technology supports.

How to Declare:

Admission to programs in the College of Business and Economics (CBE) is selective and based upon prior academic performance and other evidence of high promise. Students may apply for admission to the College any time after they are offered admission to Western Washington University and have at least 45 credits.

Applicants who have completed the equivalent of the foundation courses listed below with at least a 2.75 GPA, or who have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50, are assured admission if space is available in their program of choice.

Foundation courses: ACCT 240 and 245; DSCI 205; ECON 206 and 207; MATH 157; and MGMT 271.

Complete the online application form at: <http://www.cbe.wvu.edu/College/Applications.asp>

Mid-Program Checkpoint:

Students intending to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration within four years should complete the following courses by the start of their junior year. Students are expected to follow all prerequisite requirements for courses and seek early departmental advisement.

Business Foundation Courses:

ACCT 240 & 245
DSCI 205
ECON 206 & 207
MATH 157
MGMT 271

Other Activities:

Complete College of Business and Economics Application of Admission form.
Get involved in student club activities – Management Information Systems Association (MISA) or Association for Operations Management (APICS).

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Sample Careers:

Systems Analyst
Computer Systems Manager
Software Test Analyst
Administrator
Database Administrator
Software Developer
Business Analyst
Website Developer



Business Administration Major Requirements: 91-92 Credits

Foundation courses: (28 credits)

ACCT 240 Financial Accounting (4)

ACCT 245 Managerial Accounting (4)

ECON 206 Introduction to Microeconomics (4)

ECON 207 Introduction to Macroeconomics (4)

DSCI 205 Business Statistics (4)

MGMT 271 Law and the Business Environment (4)

MATH 157 Calculus with Applications to Business and Economics (4)

Core courses: (36 credits)

DSCI 305 Applied Business Statistics (4)

ECON 309 Managerial Economics (4)

FIN 341 Principles of Finance (4)

MIS 320 Principles of Management Information Systems (4)

MKTG 380 Principles of Marketing (4)

MGMT 311 Introduction to Management & Organizational Behavior (4)

MGMT 482 Business and its Environment (4)

MGMT 495 Strategic Management (4)

OPS 360 Operations Management (4)

Concentration in Management Information System (27-28 credits)

MIS 492 Systems Implementation Project (4)

Or OPS 461 Project Management (4)

Or MGMT 313 Teamwork Basics (4)

MIS 321 Systems Analysis and Design (4)

MIS 322 Business Applications Development (4)

MIS 421 Business Database Development (4)

MIS 495 Corporate Information Systems Management (4)

Other requirements:

- Select eight credits from: Upper-division MIS courses, DSCI 405, OPS 461, or ACCT 421.
- Other upper-division courses (including Computer Science) may be possible under advisement.
- Familiarity with an additional programming language highly recommended.

These courses are offered within this major and may be used to satisfy GUR or Writing Proficiency requirements.

QSR: MATH 157

SSC: ECON 206, ECON 207, MGMT 271

WP: Three Writing Proficiency points are required for graduation (they are noted as WP1, WP2, and WP3). Check [Classfinder](#) or [Online Timetable](#) for departmental offerings each quarter.

Other Business Administration Options:

B.S. in Manufacturing and Supply Chain Management (131-132 credits)

B.A. Business Administration (Operations Management) (91-92 credits)

Minor in Manufacturing and Supply Chain Management (27-28 credits)

Minor in Business Administration (40 credits)