

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, B.S. (ABINGTON)

**Begin Campus:** Any Penn State Campus

**End Campus:** Abington

## Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2023-24 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition (*Note: the archive only contains suggested academic plans beginning with the 2018-19 edition of the Undergraduate Bulletin*).

### Advanced IT Selection – All Options

As noted in each Suggested Academic Plan below, all options of the Information Technology, B.S. major require students to select 300 or 400 level Advanced IT courses from a College-approved list. Students in the Business Application option must select 3 credits of these Advanced IT courses. Students in all other options must select 6 credits of these Advanced IT courses. The list of Advanced IT courses that all students may choose from includes the following:

Code	Title	Credits
IST 402	Emerging Issues and Technologies	3
IST 413	Usability Engineering	3
IST 425	New Venture Creation	3
IST 431	The Information Environment	3
IST 446	An Introduction to Building Computer/Video Games	3
IST 454	Computer and Cyber Forensics	3
IST 456	Information Security Management	3
MIS 390	Information Systems Management and Applications	3
MIS 404	Introduction to ERP and Business Processes	3
IST 301	Information and Organizations	3
IST 420	Fundamentals of Systems and Enterprise Integration	3
IST 421	Advanced Enterprise Integration: Technologies and Applications	3
IST 432	Legal and Regulatory Environment of Information Science and Technology	3
IST 452	Legal and Regulatory Environment of Privacy and Security	3

### Application Development Option: Information Technology, B.S. at Abington Campus

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First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3 CAS 100 (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3
IST 110 or CYBER 100 <sup>*#</sup>	3 MATH 110 or 140 (GQ) <sup>‡</sup>	4
IST 140 <sup>*#</sup> or CMPSC 121 (GQ) <sup>#‡</sup> or CMPSC 131 <sup>*#</sup>	3 IST 210 <sup>*#</sup>	3
SRA 111 (GS) <sup>*†</sup>	3 IST 220 <sup>*#</sup>	3
IST 111S (First-Year Seminar)	1 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
General Education Course (GN or GA or GH) or Elective	3	
	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>

Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
STAT 200 <sup>‡</sup> (GQ) or SCM 200 <sup>‡</sup> (GQ) or DS 200 <sup>*</sup>	4 IST 242 <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 230 <sup>*</sup>	3 SRA 221 <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 256 <sup>*</sup>	3 Business Selection <sup>*</sup>	3
ECON 102/ECON 104 or PSYCH 100/SOC 5 or PLSC 1/PLSC 14 (GS) <sup>‡</sup>	3 ENGL 202C or 202D (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3
Elective or General Education Course (GN/GA/GH)	3 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>

Third Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
IST 302 <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 260W <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 331 <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 311 (Option 2) <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 261 or 361 (Option 1) <sup>*</sup>	3 Networking Selection <sup>*</sup>	3
General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3 IST 402 (Advanced IT Selection 1) <sup>*</sup>	3
General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>

Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
IST 495 <sup>*</sup>	1 IST 440W <sup>*</sup>	3
ETI 461 <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 412 or 413 (Option 4) <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 411 (Option 3) <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 446 or MIS 404 (Advanced IT Selection 2) <sup>*</sup>	3
General Education Course (GHW)	3 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
Elective	3 Elective	2
	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>

**Total Credits 120**

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**Advising Notes:**

- Business Selection Courses - 3 credits (cannot double count with other Additional or Option requirements):
  - ACCTG 211
  - BA 100
  - ECON 102
  - ECON 104
  - MGMT 301
  - MKTG 301
- Networking Selection Courses - 3 credits (cannot double count with other Additional or Option requirements):
  - CYBER 262
  - IST 226
  - IST 451
  - IST 454
  - MIS 404
- Advanced IT Selection Courses - 6 credits:
  - ETI 300W
  - ETI 435
  - IST 402
  - IST 446
  - MIS 404

## Business Applications Option: Information Technology, B.S. at Abington Campus

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### First Year

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ENGL 15 or 30H (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3 CAS 100 (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3
IST 110 or CYBER 100 <sup>*#</sup>	3 MATH 110 or 140 (GQ) <sup>‡</sup>	4
IST 140 <sup>*#</sup> or CMPSC 121 (GQ) <sup>#‡</sup> or CMPSC 131 <sup>*#</sup>	3 IST 210 <sup>*#</sup>	3
SRA 111 (GS) <sup>*†</sup>	3 IST 220 <sup>*#</sup>	3
IST 111S (First-Year Seminar)	1 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
General Education Course (GN or GA or GH) or Elective	3	
	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>

### Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
IST 230 <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 242 <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 256 <sup>*</sup>	3 SRA 221 <sup>*</sup>	3
STAT 200 <sup>‡</sup> (GQ) or SCM 200 <sup>‡</sup> (GQ) or DS 200 <sup>*</sup>	4 Business Selection <sup>*</sup>	3
ECON 102/ECON 104 or PSYCH 100/SOC 5 or PLSC 1/PLSC 14 (GS) <sup>†</sup>	3 ENGL 202C or 202D (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3
Elective or General Education Course (GN/GA/GH)	3 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>

### Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
IST 302 <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 260W <sup>*</sup>	3
IST 331 <sup>*</sup>	3 FIN 301, MGMT 301, MKTG 301, or SCM 301 (Option 2) <sup>*</sup>	3
ACCTG 211 (Option 1) <sup>*</sup>	4 Advanced IT Selection - Business Option <sup>*</sup>	3
General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3 Networking Selection <sup>*</sup>	3
General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3
	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
IST 495 <sup>*</sup>	1 IST 440W <sup>*</sup>	3
ETI 461 <sup>*</sup>	3 400-Level Business Course (Option 4) <sup>*</sup>	3
Option 3 (Business Course) <sup>*</sup>	3 IST 446 or MIS 404 (Advanced IT Selection) <sup>*</sup>	3
General Education Course (GHW)	3 General Education Course (GN or GA or GH)	3

Elective	3 Elective	1
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  - IST 226
  - IST 451
  - IST 454
- Advanced IT Selection Courses - 6 credits:
  - ETI 300W
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IST 256 <sup>*</sup>	3 SRA 221 <sup>*</sup>	3
STAT 200 <sup>‡</sup> (GQ) or SCM 200 <sup>‡</sup> (GQ) or DS 200 <sup>*</sup>	4 IST 226 or CYBER 262 (Networking Selection) <sup>*</sup>	3
ECON 102/ECON 104 or PSYCH 100/SOC 5 or PLSC 1/PLSC 14 (GS) <sup>†</sup>	3 ENGL 202C or 202D (GWS) <sup>‡</sup>	3
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IST 227 (Option 1) <sup>*</sup>	3 Business Selection <sup>*</sup>	3
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