BUSINESS, B.S. (BERKS)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Berks

Degree Requirements

For the Bachelor of Science degree in Business, a minimum of 120 credits is required, 15 of which must be at the 400 level:

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12 of the 45 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 6 credits of GQ courses; 6 credits of GS courses.

General Education

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/baccalaureate-degree-general-education-program/) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required.)

- Quantification (GQ): 6 credits
- Writing and Speaking (GWS): 9 credits

Knowledge Domains

- Arts (GA): 6 credits
- Health and Wellness (GHW): 3 credits
- Humanities (GH): 6 credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 6 credits
- Natural Sciences (GN): 9 credits

Integrative Studies (may also complete a Knowledge Domain requirement)

- Inter-Domain or Approved Linked Courses: 6 credits

University Degree Requirements

First Year Engagement

All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement

6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements

- United States Cultures: 3 credits
- International Cultures: 3 credits

Writing Across the Curriculum

3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits

A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work

Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition

The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#83-80)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Requirements for the Major

To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44).

Common Requirements for the Major (All Options)

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<td>ACCTG 211</td>
<td>Financial and Managerial Accounting for Decision Making</td>
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<td>ECON 102</td>
<td>Introductory Microeconomic Analysis and Policy</td>
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<td>ECON 104</td>
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<td>MIS 204</td>
<td>Introduction to Management Information Systems</td>
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<td>Contemporary Skills for Business Professionals</td>
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<td>BA 322</td>
<td>Negotiation Skills for Business Professionals</td>
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<td>BA 420</td>
<td>Preparation for Career Management</td>
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<td>BA 421</td>
<td>Project Management</td>
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<td>FIN 301</td>
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<td>MGMT 301</td>
<td>Basic Management Concepts</td>
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<td>Principles of Marketing</td>
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<td>BA 241 &amp; BA 242</td>
<td>Legal Environment of Business and Social and Ethical Environment of Business</td>
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<td>or BA 243</td>
<td>Social, Legal, and Ethical Environment of Business</td>
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<td>MATH 110</td>
<td>Techniques of Calculus I</td>
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<td>Calculus With Analytic Geometry I</td>
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<td>SCM 200</td>
<td>Introduction to Statistics for Business</td>
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<td>or STAT 200</td>
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<td>Business Internship</td>
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<td>or BA 495B</td>
<td>Undergraduate Research in Business</td>
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**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better**

Select 0-3 credits from 400-level business courses from: ACCTG, BA, ECON, ENTR, FIN, FINSV, HPA, IB, MGMT, MIS, MKTG, RM, or SCM

**Requirements for the Option**

**Requirements for the Option: Require a grade of C or better**

Select an option

18

**Requirements for the Option Accounting Option (18 credits)**

Available at the following campuses: Abington, Altoona, Beaver, Berks, Brandywine, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Scranton, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, World Campus, York

**Code** | **Title** | **Credits**
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**Prescribed Courses**
**Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better**
ACCTG 404 | Managerial Accounting: Economic Perspective | 3
ACCTG 471 | Intermediate Financial Accounting I | 3
ACCTG 472 | Intermediate Financial Accounting II | 3

**Additional Courses**

**Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better**

ACCTG 403 | Auditing | 3
or ACCTG 403W/Auditing | 3
ACCTG 405 | Principles of Taxation I | 3
or FINSV 411 | 3

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better**

Select 3 credits from 400-level courses from: ACCTG, BA, ECON, ENTR, FIN, FINSV, HPA, IB, MGMT, MIS, MKTG, RM, or SCM

**Entrepreneurship Option (18 credits)**

Available at the following campuses: Altoona, World Campus

**Code** | **Title** | **Credits**
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**Prescribed Courses**
**Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better**
ENTR 300 | Principles of Entrepreneurship | 3
ENTR 320 | Entrepreneurship and New Venture Creation | 3
ENTR 400 | Financing Entrepreneurial Ventures | 3

**Additional Courses**

**Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better**

CAS 352 | Organizational Communication or ENGL 419 | Advanced Business Writing | 0-3

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better**

Select 6 to 9 credits from 400-level ENTR courses in consultation with your adviser

6-9

**Financial Services Option (18 credits)**

Available at the following campuses: Abington, Altoona, Berks, DuBois, Lehigh Valley, Scranton, World Campus

**Code** | **Title** | **Credits**
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**Prescribed Courses**
**Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better**
FIN 420 | Investment and Portfolio Analysis | 3

**Additional Courses**

**Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better**

ACCTG 405 | Principles of Taxation I | 3
or FINSV 411 | 3

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better**

Select 12 credits in 300 or 400-level (with at least 3 credits at the 400-level) from ACCTG, FIN, FINSV or RM

12

**Health Services Option (18 credits)**

Available at the following campuses: Abington, Lehigh Valley, Schuylkill, World Campus

Minimum 6 credits at the 400-level.

**Code** | **Title** | **Credits**
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**Prescribed Courses**
**Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better**
HPA 101 | Introduction to Health Services Organization | 3
HPA 332 | Health Systems Management | 3

**Additional Courses**

**Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better**

Select 0-3 credits of the following:

BBH 302 | Diversity and Health | 3
CAS 352 | Organizational Communication | 3
CAS 404 | Conflict Resolution and Negotiation | 3
ENGL 416 | Science Writing | 3
ENGL 419 | Advanced Business Writing | 3
LER 424 | Employment Compensation | 3
LER 472 | Work-Life Practices and Policies | 3
PSYCH 281 | Introduction to Industrial-Organizational Psychology | 3
PSYCH 484 | Work Attitudes and Motivation | 3
PSYCH 485 | Leadership in Work Settings | 3

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better**

Select 3-9 credits from 300 or 400-level courses from ACCTG, BA, ECON, ENTR, FIN, FINSV, HPA, IB, MGMT, MIS, RM or SCM

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Individualized Business Option (18 credits)
Available at the following campuses: Abington, Altoona, Beaver, Berks, Brandywine, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Shenango, Schuylkill, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, World Campus, York

Select 18 credits of study (with at least 3 credits at the 400-level) as submitted by the student and approved by the campus BSB Program Coordinator. A grade of C or better is required for all option courses.

Management and Marketing Option (18 credits)
Available at the following campuses: Abington, Altoona, Beaver, Berks, Brandywine, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Shenango, Schuylkill, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, World Campus, York

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