

# East Central College BUSINESS

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# Associate of Applied Science Degree and Certificates

# THE CAREER

Business is the act of getting people together to accomplish desired goals and objectives by using available resources efficiently and effectively. These resources include human, financial, technological and natural.

The career involves planning, organizing, staffing, directing and controlling a business or organization as defined by its goals. Business is also that of human action, including design, to facilitate the production of useful outcomes from a system.

## **EMPLOYMENT AND SALARY INFORMATION**

Managers of companies and enterprises had the highest employment rate of all management fields in May 2012. They held 388,240 positions, or 19.38% of the industry employment, per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Earnings for managers vary across the United States. Salaries are dependent upon location, employer and the level of training, experience and/ or degrees these professionals have.

# **PROFESSIONAL TRAITS**

Those pursuing a career in this field should:

- Demonstrate good communication and leadership skills
- Be able to handle and resolve conflicts
- Have a good working knowledge of all aspects of their industry
- Be dependable and have control over their emotions

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# THE PROGRAM

Business is a diverse and growing career. Uncertainties in the market require strong management skills in a variety of organizations. The program at East Central College provides students with a solid foundation for a career in this dynamic field.

The curriculum offers a wide array of business courses that prepare graduates for a profession in business and/or leadership positions within an organization. In addition, students also have the opportunity to network with local and regional business leaders through classroom visits, business department-sponsored conferences and internships.

These degree and certificate programs are geared toward those wanting to directly enter the workforce. ECC also offers a related transfer degree program, the Associate of Arts in Business Administration.

#### **ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS**

To enter the program, students must have completed:

- ✓ High school diploma or the equivalent (documentation must be sent to the registration office)
- ✓ Application for admission
- ✓ A placement test as specified by the college (please note: some coursework requires minimum placement results)

# TRANSFER OPTIONS

Associate of Applied Science degrees are designed for students seeking employment immediately upon graduation. Many of the credits, particularly the general education electives earned with this program, however, are also accepted as transfer credit by four-year colleges and/or universities.

Please note that transferring credit is decided solely by the bachelor degree-granting institution. Students are advised to contact the four-year school of their choice regarding transferability before beginning a program and/or reviewing other AAS or AA degrees offered through East Central College.

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## **PROGRAM OF STUDY**

This program of study is for a full-time, degree-seeking student. Part-time study is an option and a certificate is also available. To graduate, students must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA on program requirements and electives. Please contact an academic advisor for full course options. For the most current academic schedule (which is subject to change), visit the college website at www.eastcentral.edu.

A - Course that is also a part of the Business Certificate of Achievement program

## Year 1

#### FALL SEMESTER

Course		Hours
FS 1000 FS 1001	Campus Orientation/ Foundation Seminar <sup>A</sup>	1
BU 1003	Introduction to Business <sup>A</sup>	3
AC 1003	Financial Accounting I <sup>A</sup>	3
CS 1003 CS 1013 CS 1133	Microcomputer Applications or Survey of Computers & Information Systems or Foundation of Management Information Systems <sup>A</sup>	3
EN 1223 EN 1233	English Comp I or Honors English Comp I <sup>A</sup>	3
MT 1023	Business Mathematics (or higher) <sup>A</sup>	3
	Total Hours	16

#### SPRING SEMESTER

Course		Hours
EN 1403	Technical Writing <sup>A</sup>	3
	Science Requirement (w/out lab)	3
BU 1213	Business Communications <sup>A</sup>	3
AC 1033	Accounting Tech/QuickBooks	3
BU 1013	Principles of Marketing <sup>A</sup>	3
HI 1000/ PS 1000	Constitutions Study Module <sup>A</sup>	0
	History or Pol. Science Requirement	<sup>A</sup> 3
	Total Hours	18

# Year 2

## FALL SEMESTER

COURSE		Hours
BU 2033	Legal Environment of Business	3
BU 1043	Principles of Finance <sup>A</sup>	3
	Program Elective *	2-3
BU 1053	Fundamentals of Management <sup>A</sup>	3
	PE Requirement	1
	Program Elective *	3
	Total Hours	15-16

# SPRING SEMESTER

Course		Hours	
BU 1103	Human Resources Management	3	
BU 2213	8 Program Capstone: Business		
	Economics Requirement	3	
	Program Elective *	3	
	Program Elective *	3	
	Total Hours	15	

# \* PROGRAM ELECTIVES

<b>OPTION 1: OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT</b>			<b>Option 2: Entreprise Resource Development</b>		
AC 1023	Financial Accounting II	3	BMT 2013	Introduction to ERP	3
BU 2143	Small Business Management <sup>A</sup>	3	BMT 2033	Supply Chain Management	3
AC 1022	Payroll Accounting	2	BMT 2073	BMT Project Management	3
BU 1063	Internship <sup>A</sup>	3	BU 2143	Small Business Management <sup>A</sup>	3



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