

International Business (BSBA)

Degree Requirements

General Education Requirements (59 Hours)

Area I - Written Composition (2 Courses, 6 Hours)

- A. 3 hours: EH 101
- B. 3 hours: EH 102

Area II - Humanities & Fine Arts (4 Courses, 12 Hours)

- A. 3 hours from: EH 215, EH 216, EH 225, EH 226, EH 235, EH 236
- B. 3 hours from: ARH 100, ARH 103, ARH 123, ARS 101, DRA 110, MUL 101
- C. 6 hours from: AFR 101, ARH 100, ARH 103, ARH 123, ARH 203, ARS 101, CLA 110, CA 110, DRA 110, EH 215, EH 216, EH 225, EH 226, EH 235, EH 236, LG 101, LG 102, LG 111, LG 112, LG 121, LG 122, LG 131, LG 132, LG 141, LG 142, LG 151, LG 152, LG 153, LG 171, LG 172, LG 173, LG 201, LG 202, LG 211, LG 212, LG 213, LG 221, LG 222, LG 231, LG 232, LG 234, LG 241, LG 242, LG 251, LG 252, LG 271, LG 272, LG 273, LGS 101, LGS 102, LGS 106, LGS 107, LGS 110, LGS 111, LGS 171, LGS 172, LGS 201, LGS 202, LGS 206, LGS 207, LGS 210, LGS 211, MUL 101, PHL 110, PHL 120, PHL 121, PHL 131, PHL 231, PHL 240, REL 100, REL 200, REL 201

Area III – Natural Sciences & Mathematics (3 Courses & Labs, 11-14 Hours)

- A. 3-4 hours from: MA 120, MA 125
- B. 8-10 hours from: AN 121 & AN 121L, BLY 101 & BLY 101L or BLY 121 & BLY 121L, BLY 102 & BLY 102L or BLY 122 & BLY 122L, CH 101 & CH 101L, CH 103 & CH 103L, CH 131 & CH 131L, CH 132 & CH 132L, GEO 101 & GEO 101L, GEO 102 & GEO 102L, GY 111 & GY 111L, GY 112 & GY 112L, MAS 134 & MAS 134L, PH 101 & PH 101L, PH 104 & PH 104L, PH 114 & PH 114L, PH 115 & PH 115L, PH 201 & PH 201L, PH 202 & PH 202L

Area IV – History, Social & Behavioral Sciences (4 Courses, 12 Hours)

- A. 3 hours from: HY 101, HY 102, HY 135, HY 136
- B. 3 hours from: AN 100, AN 101, CA 100, CA 211, CJ 105, GEO 114, GEO 115, GS 101, HY 101, HY 102, HY 135, HY 136, IS 100, IST 201, NAS 101, PSC 130, PSY 120, PSY 250, SY 109, SY 112
- C. 6 hours: ECO 215, ECO 216

Area V 200-Level Business Core (18 Hours)

A grade of at least C is required in each course.

- A. 6 hours: ACC 211, ACC 212
- B. 6 hours: BUS 245, BUS 255
- C. 3 hours: BUS 265
- D. 3 hours: CIS 250

Students must complete a 6 credit hour sequence either in literature (Area II – EH 215 & EH 216, EH 225 & EH 226, or EH 235 & EH 236) or history (Area IV – HY 101 & HY 102 or HY 135 & HY 136)

Major Requirements (63 Hours)

Freshman Core (1 Course, 3 Hours)

- A. 3 hours: BUS 150 or Transfer Student Elective for students transferring into the College with more than 45 hours. Students transferring with 46-60 hours are highly encouraged to take BUS 150.

Upper Division Business Core (6 Courses, 18 Hours)

A 2.0 GPA is required in the Upper Division Business Core.

- A. 3 hours from: BUS 305, ECO 453
- B. 15 hours: FIN 315, MGT 300, MGT 305 (W), MGT 325, MKT 320

Experiential Learning (2-4 Courses, 6 Hours)

- A. 3 hours from: BUS 101, BUS 201, BUS 301, BUS 302
- B. **3 hours from: ACC 496, ECO 496, FIN 496, MGT 496, MKT 496

International Business Major (9 Courses, 27 Hours)

A 2.0 GPA is required for all courses counted towards the major.

- A. 24 hours: MKT 310, ECO 330, ECO 363, FIN 332, MGT 334, MKT 336, BUS 440, MKT 492
- B. 3 hours from: MGT 462, MKT 375

Business Electives (2 Courses, 6 Hours)

- A. 6 hours from: 300-494 Electives from ACC, ECO, FIN, MGT, MKT

Business Policy Capstone (2 Courses, 3 Hours)

- A. 3 hours: MGT 485 (W), MGT 486

Minor Requirements (0 Hours)

A minor is not required for this degree program

Notes:

***Proficiency in a Second Language:** Students majoring in International Business are required to demonstrate introductory-level proficiency in a second language by passing a foreign language proficiency examination as administered by the University of South Alabama Department of Foreign Languages and Literature or by successfully completing the second semester of any approved elementary sequence in a foreign language.

****International Internship Requirement:** Students must complete an internship with an international focus. This is accomplished by completing an internship with a multinational company operating in the U.S. or by completing an internship with an U.S. or foreign based firm operating in another country. Only one internship may be counted towards a business degree. Internship courses may only be used to fulfill the Experiential Learning requirement and may not be used as business electives or to fulfill any other degree requirement.

*****Study Abroad Requirement:** Students majoring in International Business must participate in a study abroad experience. Short-term study abroad immersion experiences are available in the May semester and summer semester and students may also choose longer-term study abroad experiences for one or more semesters at one of our partner universities, which are accredited by the AACSB.

******Transfer Credits:** Transfer credits for International Business Major courses will only be accepted from AACSB-accredited institutions.

Additional Information

Graduation Plan

International Business (BSBA): (122 Total Hours)**First Year - Fall Semester**

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
EH 101	English Composition I	3
BUS 150	Introduction to Business	3
MA 120 or MA 125	Calculus	3 or 4
Foreign Language Series Course 1	****See Area II for Foreign Language (LG) series option	3
History	**Area IV	3
BUS 101	Professional Experience 1	1
Total Hours		16 or 17

First Year - Spring Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
EH 102	English Composition II	3
ECO 215	Principles of Microeconomics	3
CIS 250	Advanced Computer Applications	3
Foreign Language Series Course 2	****See Area II for Foreign Language (LG) series options	3
Natural Science + Lab	**Area III	4
Total Hours		16

Second Year - Fall Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
ACC 211	Principles of Accounting I/Financial Accounting	3
BUS 245	Data Analytics I	3
ECO 216	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Literature	**Area II	3
Natural Science + Lab	**Area III	4
Total Hours		16

Second Year - Spring Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
ACC 212	Principles of Accounting II/Managerial Accounting	3
BUS 255	Data Analytics II	3

BUS 265	Legal Environment of Business I	3
BUS 201	Professional Experience II	1
2nd History	***Area IV	3
Fine Art	**Area II	3
Total Hours		16

Third Year - Fall Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
MGT 300	Principles of Management	3
MGT 305	Organizational Communication	3
BUS 301	Professional Experience III	1
MKT 320	Principles of Marketing	3
FIN 315	Principles of Finance	3
MKT 310	Introduction to International Business	3
Total Hours		16

Third Year - Spring Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
Business Elective #1	Anything in MCOB at the 300 or 400 level not used to fulfill another requirement except internship courses	3
ECO 363	International Economics	3
BUS 305 or ECO 453	Data Analytics III or Econometrics	3
MGT 325	Operations Management	3
FIN 332	Multinational Finance	3
Total Hours		15

Fourth Year - Fall Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
ECO 330	Current Global Economic Issues	3
MGT 334	International Management	3
MKT 336	International Marketing	3
MGT 462 or MKT 375	Negotiation & Dispute Resolution OR Supply Chain Management	3
MKT 496	Internship - must have international focus	3
Total Hours		15

Fourth Year - Spring Semester

Course ID	Course Description	Hours
BUS 440	Business in Regional and Emerging Markets	3
MKT 492	Applications in International Business	3
Business Elective #2	Anything in MCOB at the 300 or 400 level not used to fulfill another requirement except internship courses	3
MGT 486	Undergraduate Comp Exam	0
Total Hours		12

Notes

*Recommended Course

**See Degree Requirements for options

***All students must complete either a literature or a history sequence. However, because International Business students are required to take a two course foreign language series fulfilling the Area II humanities requirements, International Business majors should elect the history sequence in Area IV unless they fulfill the foreign language proficiency through testing.

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"Business has only two functions - marketing and innovation." - Milan Kundera

Discover Marketing

Marketing is a dynamic process that creates and delivers value in competitive environments through customer-focused and market-driven actions. The Marketing major provides an integrative and substantive approach to marketing strategy development and implementation based on learning experiences that combine concepts and managerial practice. A well-designed, market-based curriculum allows students to experience the core of marketing through interactive courses, internships, directed study programs, and special topics courses designed to focus on specific areas of marketing interest. These goals are achieved through the Marketing Management, International Business, and Professional Sales concentrations.

Marketing Management Concentration

The Marketing Management concentration offers a holistic view of the marketing function, with special focus on consumer analysis, value creation and delivery, marketing segmentation, and marketing strategy development and execution, within the context of changing and competitive business environments. The Marketing Management concentration prepares students for career in sales, advertising and marketing communication, retailing, supply chain management, market research and related areas. It is good preparation for positions in health care marketing, sports marketing, tourism and hospitality, non-profit marketing, financial services marketing and a host of other growth industries.

Professional Sales Concentration

In globally-competitive organizations, sales professionals are increasingly responsible for market growth, value creation, customer relationship management, branding, and communication of product, service, and organizational benefits. The sales function is the engine that propels every aspect of the organization. The Professional Sales Concentration prepares students for rewarding careers in sales and related areas. Students completing this concentration have some proficiency in relationship selling, buyer behavior, value creation and delivery, prospecting, sales call planning, communications skills, negotiating win/win solutions, and customer relationship management.

International Business Major

A degree in International Business prepares students for management positions in U.S. based companies that serve global markets and foreign based companies that provide products and services in the U.S. and other countries. Students will learn how conducting business on a global scale differs from domestic operations and will develop sensitivity and understanding of cultural differences and business etiquette to allow them to effectively negotiate and conduct business in a variety of cultures.

The curriculum requires proficiency in a foreign language and includes courses in management, marketing, economics, finance, accounting, and business law to prepare students for a variety of jobs in multinational companies.

Students majoring in International Business are strongly encouraged to participate in a study abroad experience. Short-term study abroad immersion experiences are available, including the British Studies Program in London and the Asia-Pacific Business course in Australia, in addition to longer-term study abroad programs at one of our partner universities, accredited by the AACSB.

International exposure is a critical success factor for International Business majors. However, approved alternatives, including research with a major international component, projects with substantial international content, or other options suggested by the International Business faculty advisor, will be considered.

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Supply Chain & Logistics Management Major

The Supply Chain and Logistics Management (SCLM) major is designed to equip students with the skill sets necessary for successful careers in supply chain-related fields. As supply chain management becomes more seminal in competitive strategy, it is important for business leaders to have a strong appreciation for and understanding of the mechanics of supply chain and logistics management and the resulting impact on organizational performance. Given the global nature of supply chains, talent

is needed to ensure the proper planning, implementation, and assessment of market-centered, adaptive, and agile supply chains worldwide.

Supply chain and logistics management employment opportunities are wide and varied. The following represents a small sampling of the specific types of jobs available to program graduates: procurement specialists; sourcing analysts; materials manager; sourcing commodity specialists; logistics customer service; transportation sourcing specialists; material coordinator; operations manager; inventory control; production scheduling; warehouse manager; logistics analysts; and quality manager.

Upon completion of the BSBA degree program in SCLM, students will be prepared to enter a wide-range of sectors, including manufacturing, distribution, services, and government. Additionally, the program provides a solid foundation for general MBA programs, as well as specialized programs in supply chain management, logistics management, production and operations management, distribution management, transportation, marketing, and related areas.