

# ACADEMIC FOCUS AREAS

## Academic Focus Area: Business

### Related Majors

- Accounting (BBA)
- Finance (BBA)
- General Business (BBA)
- General Business–International Business Track (BBA)
- Management (BBA)
- Management–Entrepreneurship Concentration (BBA)
- Management–Human Resources Concentration (BBA)
- Management Information Systems (BBA)
- Management Information Systems–Online (BBA)
- Marketing (BBA)

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
BUSA 2115	Introduction to Business	3
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
MATH 1111	College Algebra (or higher) (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one of the following (Area C Fine Arts):		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
Select one of the following (Area E U.S. History):		3
HIST 2111	U. S. History to 1865	
HIST 2112	U. S. History since 1865	
B2: Select 1 or 2 hours of the following courses:		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
POLS 1101	American Government	3
Area B1	COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
ECON 2105 or ECON 2106	Principles of Macroeconomics or Principles of Microeconomics	3
Select one PEDS activity course		1
BUSA 2100	Introduction to Information Systems in Business	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>32-33</b>

## Academic Focus Area: Computer Science, Math, or Science

### Related Majors:

- Biology (BA, BS, BA Secondary Education Track, BS Secondary Education Track)
- Chemistry (BA Biochemistry Track, BA Secondary Education, BS, BS ACS Certified Track, BS Food Science Track, BS Forensics Track)
- Computer Science (BS CyberSecurity, BS Education Track, BS Games Programming Track, BS Software Systems Track, BS Web Development)
- Earth and Space Science (BS Astrophysics and Geology Track, BS Environmental Science Track, BS Geology Track, BS Secondary Education Track)
- Information Technology (BS)
- Mathematics (BS, BS Applied Math Concentration, BS Secondary Education Concentration)

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one of the following (Area A Math): <sup>1</sup>		4
MATH 1131	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I (with a minimum grade of C; recommended for Earth & Space Science Majors and Mathematics Majors)	
MATH 1113	Pre-Calculus (with a minimum grade of C)	
B2: Select 1 or 2 hours of the following courses:		1
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
Select one of the following options:		4
Option A - Students interested in Biology, Chemistry, or Earth and Space Sciences, may take a lab science listed in the catalog under Area D under the major they're interested in		
Option B – Students interested in Computer Science or Information Technology can take		
CPSC 1301K	Computer Science I	
Option C – Students interested in other majors, such as Math, can take an Area D science course and lab of their choice.		
POLS 1101	American Government	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one of the following (Area D Math):		3-4
STAT 1401	Elementary Statistics	
MATH 1131	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I (with a minimum grade of C; Chemistry)	

MATH 1132	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II (with a minimum grade of C; Earth and Space Science and Math Majors)	
Select one of the following options:		4
Option A - Students interested in Biology, Chemistry, or Earth and Space Sciences, may continue the lab science started in the first semester.		
Option B - Computer Science students in the Games Programming Track are advised to select the following:		
PHYS 2211	Principles of Physics I	
& PHYS 2311	and Principles of Physics I Lab	
Option C - Students interested in other majors in this focus area may continue the lab science they started in the first semester or take a different science with a lab		
Select one of the following:		3
Option A: Students considering BS programs: Select one Area E Behavioral Science or World Cultures course		
Option B: Students considering BA programs: Select one foreign language course (credit applied to Area B, Area F, or Area G, depending on major)		
KINS 1106	Lifetime Wellness	2
or PHED 1205	or Concepts of Fitness	
Students interested in teaching take UTCH 1201 Step 1: Inquiry Approaches to Teaching		0-1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15-17</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>30-32</b>

<sup>1</sup> Eligibility for math course depends on math placement. Some students may need to start with MATH 1111 College Algebra. See an academic advisor for more information.

## Academic Focus Area: Education (Excluding Secondary Education)

### Related Majors

- Elementary Education (BSEd)
- Kinesiology Health and Physical Education (BS)
- Kinesiology Health and Physical Education (BS) - Non Certification Track
- Middle Grades Education (BSEd)
- Special Education (BSEd)

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one of the following options:		3
Option A - Students not pursuing Math or Science concentrations select the following:		
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	
Option B - Students interested in Math or Science concentrations select the following:		
MATH 1111	College Algebra (or higher math, depending on placement)	
B2: Select 1 or 2 hours of the following courses:		1-2

ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour	
Select one Area D Science course with lab		4
EDUC 2110	Investigating Critical & Contemporary Issues in Education	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>14-15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
Area B1	Select COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
Select one of the following:		3-4
Students interested in math or science concentrations: Select one Area D science course with lab <sup>1</sup>		
Students not pursuing math or science concentrations: Select one Area D science course with or without lab <sup>1</sup>		
EDUC 2120	Exploring Socio-Cultural Contexts on Diversity in Educational Settings	3
Select one of the following options:		3-4
Option A - Students not pursuing math or science concentrations, select one of the following Area E U.S. History:		
CPSC 1105	Introduction to Computing Principles and Technology (Area D course)	
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	U. S. History to 1865 (Area E course) or U. S. History since 1865	
Option B - Students interested in math or science concentrations select the following:		
MATH 1113	Pre-Calculus	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15-17</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>29-32</b>

<sup>1</sup> Which lab science you choose depends on which area of education you are considering. If you are considering Middle Grades Education in Math/Science, then your best choice would be BIOL 1215K Introductory Biology for your first semester Area D science course. If you are considering Health/PE, then CHEM 1151 Survey of Chemistry I and CHEM 1151L Survey of Chemistry I Lab would be the best Area D science class for you.

## Academic Focus Area: Exploratory

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one of the following options:		3
Option A - Students interested in Math or Science disciplines select the following:		
MATH 1111	College Algebra (or higher, depending on placement)	

Option B - Students not pursuing Math or Science disciplines select the following:

MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	
Select one Area D Science course with lab		4
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	U. S. History to 1865 or U. S. History since 1865	3
Select one course at the 1000-2000 level in the student's discipline of interest		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
Area B1	Select COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
Select one of the following:		
B2: Select 1 or 2 hours of the following courses:		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
Select one of the following:		3-4
Students interested in math or science disciplines: select one Area D science course with lab		
Students not pursuing math or science disciplines: Select one Area D science course with or without lab		
POLS 1101	American Government	3
Select one course at the 1000-2000 level in the student's discipline of interest		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16-18</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>32-34</b>

## Academic Focus Area: Fine and Performing Arts

### Related Majors

- Art (BFA, BA, BSEd Art Education)
- Music (BA, BM Music Education, BM Music Performance)
- Theatre (BA, BFA, BSEd Theatre Education)

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one of the following (Area C Humanities):		3
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts (Area C Humanities)	
PHIL 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	
Select one of the following (Area C Fine Arts):		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	U. S. History to 1865 or U. S. History since 1865	3
Select one of the following:		3-4

Option A: Students considering BA programs: Select one Foreign Language course

Option B: Students considering a vocal music major are encouraged to select one German or French course		
Option C: Select 3-4 credits from the following (explore your interest):		
ARTH 2125	Introduction to the History of Art I– Prehistoric through Gothic	
ARTH 2126	Introduction to the History of Art II– Renaissance through Modern	
ARTS 1010	Art Foundation: Explorations of Drawing	
ARTS 1020	Art Foundation: 2D and Digital	
EDUC 2110	Investigating Critical & Contemporary Issues in Education	
THEA 1105	First Year Seminar (for students interested in teaching) <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning (or other Area A Math course)	3
B2: Select 1 or 2 hours of the following courses:		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
Select one of the following as an elective:		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
Area B1	Select COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
(Students considering BA Programs: Continue the foreign language started fall semester)		
Select 3-4 credits from the following (explore your interest):		3-4
ARTH 2125	Introduction to the History of Art I– Prehistoric through Gothic	
ARTH 2126	Introduction to the History of Art II– Renaissance through Modern	
ARTS 1010	Art Foundation: Explorations of Drawing	
EDUC 2120	Exploring Socio-Cultural Contexts on Diversity in Educational Settings (for students interested in teaching)	
MUSA 1305	Class Voice <sup>1</sup>	
MUSA 1306	Class Piano for Non-Music Majors <sup>1</sup>	
MUSA 1307	Class Guitar for Non-Music Majors <sup>1</sup>	
MUSC 1213	Music Foundations	
THEA 1105	First Year Seminar <sup>1</sup>	
THEA 1175	Script Analysis	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16-18</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31-34</b>

<sup>1</sup> Courses with one credit hour.

## Academic Focus Area: Health Professions

### Related Majors:

- Kinesiology Exercise Science Concentration (BS)
- Health Science (BS)
- Nursing (BSN, RN-BSN)

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
POLS 1101	American Government	3
Select one of the following (Area A): <sup>1</sup>		
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning (minimum grade of C)	3
MATH 1111	College Algebra	
B2: Select 1 (or 2) hours of the following courses:		
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	1
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
Select one of the following (Area D): <sup>2</sup>		
CHEM 1151 & 1151L	Survey of Chemistry I and Survey of Chemistry I Lab	4
CHEM 1211 & 1211L	Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry I Lab	
Select one of the following:		
KINS 1106 or PHED 1205	Lifetime Wellness or Concepts of Fitness	2-3
One Area C Fine Arts course:		
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	U. S. History to 1865 or U. S. History since 1865	3
STAT 1401	Elementary Statistics	3
Select one of the following (continue chemistry sequence from the first semester):		
CHEM 1152 & 1152L	Survey of Chemistry II and Survey of Chemistry II Lab	4
CHEM 1212 & 1212L	Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry II Lab	
Select one Area E Behavioral Science or World Cultures course		
		3

Select one of the following:

HESC 1105	Introduction to the Health Professions <sup>3</sup>	1
One PEDS course		
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>17</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>33-34</b>

- <sup>1</sup> MATH 1001 Quantitative Skills and Reasoning is recommended for Nursing and suitable for Exercise Science and Health Science. However, MATH 1111 College Algebra is recommended for Exercise Science and for students in Health Science pursuing clinical professions. Some programs require a minimum grade of C in the Area A math course, so check with your advisor. Given these complexities, it is important to discuss math choices with an advisor.
- <sup>2</sup> Note that Principles of Chemistry is recommended for Exercise Science and Health Science majors, and Survey of Chemistry is required for Nursing. It is important to discuss the Chemistry sequence choice with an advisor.
- <sup>3</sup> Required course for Health Science; Elective course for Exercise Science.

## Academic Focus Area: Humanities

### Related Majors:

- Art History (BA)
- Communication (BA), with tracks in
  - Communication Studies
  - Film Production
  - Integrated Media
  - Public Relations
- English (BA), with tracks in
  - Creative Writing
  - Literature
  - Professional Writing
  - Secondary Education
- History (BA), with tracks in
  - History
  - Secondary Education
- Modern Language and Culture (BA), with tracks in
  - Spanish with Teacher Certification
  - Spanish Literature and Culture

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	3
Select one of the following (Area C Fine Arts):		
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts	3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
Area B1	Select COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
Select one of the following (Area C Humanities):		
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts <sup>1</sup>	3

PHIL 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
POLS 1101	American Government	3
B2: Select 1 (or 2) hours of the following courses:		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
Select one of the following (Area E U.S. History):		3
HIST 2111	U. S. History to 1865	
HIST 2112	U. S. History since 1865	
Select a foreign language class or a science class (with or without lab)		3-4
Select one of the following (explore your interest):		3
ARTH 2125	Introduction to the History of Art I–Prehistoric through Gothic	
ARTH 2126	Introduction to the History of Art II–Renaissance through Modern	
COMM 2105	Interpersonal Communication	
COMM 2136	Group Communication	
COMM 2137	Introduction to Mass Communication	
EDUC 2130	Exploring Learning and Teaching (for students interested in teaching)	
ENGL 2136	Language and Culture	
HIST 1111	World History to 1500	
HIST 1112	World History since 1500	
PHIL 2030	Moral Philosophy	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16-18</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31-33</b>

POLS 1101	American Government	3
Area B1	Select COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
B2: Select 1 or 2 hours of the following courses:		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour (1 credit, may be repeated with a different topic)	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour (2 credits)	
Select one of the following:		3
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	
ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
Select one Area D Lab Science course		3-4
HIST 2111	U. S. History to 1865	3
or HIST 2112	or U. S. History since 1865	
Select one of the following Fine Arts courses:		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
Select one of the following (explore your interest)		2-3
SOCI 2126	Introduction to Social Work and Welfare	
CRJU 1105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	
PSYC 1105	Psychology as a Major and Career	
POLS 2101	Introduction to Political Science	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>14-16</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>30-33</b>

<sup>1</sup> Unless taken for Area C Fine Arts.

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## Academic Focus Area: Social Science

### Related Majors

- Criminal Justice (BS)
- Interdisciplinary Studies (BS)
- Political Science (BS)
- Psychology (BS)
- Sociology (BS), with tracks in
  - Applied Sociology Concentration
  - Crime, Deviance, & Society Concentration
  - General Concentration

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning (or any other Area A Math)	3