Program Highlights in Brief

Change your future now, when you get your business education at Alvernia. Designed with the adult student in mind, our flexible business degree program accommodates those with a full-time job or family responsibilities seeking to gain a competitive edge. Alvernia’s real-world and relevant curriculum, taught by business-savvy faculty and instructors, is available in several class formats to fit your lifestyle.

There are different reasons why individuals choose to pursue an associate degree in business at Alvernia. Attaining this degree may be a first step toward a bachelor’s degree or a goal in and of itself. Whatever your motivation, Alvernia’s Associate of Science in Business program examines the contemporary business world from both practical and ethical standpoints. Business students combine classroom learning with real-world knowledge through a cooperative education experience. This broad-based approach prepares graduates to succeed professionally by developing the supervisory and managerial skills necessary for career advancement. Also, Alvernia business faculty have solid academic qualifications and years of business experience. They are in touch with the latest trends and issues in the business world.

Upon completion of the Associate Degree program, students may apply their courses and requirements toward pursuit of the four-year business degree.

Accreditation

Alvernia University’s Business Department, including its major in human resource management, is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP). For information explaining the benefits of earning a degree from an ACBSP-accredited program, please visit [www.acbsp.org](http://www.acbsp.org) or send an email to info@acbsp.org.

Alpha Sigma Lambda

Alpha Sigma Lambda (ASL) is the premier national honor society for nontraditional adult students. Its aim is to recognize the special achievements of adults who accomplish academic excellence while facing competing interests of home and work. For the nontraditional student, the Society stands as an inspiration for continuing scholastic growth and is a builder of pride through recognition. The Alvernia University ASL Chapter serves as a vehicle for imparting appreciation for adult students’ academic achievements and contributions. To this day, Alpha Sigma Lambda is not only the oldest but also the largest, chapter-based honor society for full- and part-time students.

Career Success

Graduates are well-positioned for employment in entry-level or mid-level positions in private industry, nonprofit organizations and government. They have the educational background and framework to pursue further study as well.

Career Opportunities

- Accounting assistant
- Accounts receivable clerk
- Auditing clerk
- Billing clerk
- Bookkeeper
- Business manager
- Business owner
- Management trainee
- Office manager
- Payroll clerk
- Sales representative
CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

AS/Business

Liberal Arts Core (24 credits)
- Composition and Research (3 credits)
- Communications elective (3 credits)
- Art, Music or Literature (3 credits)
- Mathematics (3 credits)
- Science (3 credits)
- Social Science (3 credits)
- Philosophy (3 credits)
- Theology (3 credits)

Business Core (43 credits)
- BUS 101 Financial Accounting
- BUS 110 Current Economic Issues
- BUS 200 Managerial Accounting -OR-
- BUS 250 Accounting Principles
- BUS 206 Management Principles
- BUS 207 Marketing Principles
- BUS 208 Sales & Sales Management
- BUS 218 Personal Money Management
- BUS 280 Human Resource Management
- BUS ___ Business Elective
- CIS 115 Technology for the Workplace
- COM 103 Fundamentals of Speech -OR-
- COM 131 Writing for the Media
- ECON 248 Macroeconomics
- ECON 249 Microeconomics
- MAT 208 Introductory Statistics (4 credits)

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