

**Program Description**

The Business Transfer Pathway Associate of Science (AS) degree program offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an Associate of Science degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated Business bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities. The curriculum has been specifically designed so that students completing this pathway degree and transferring to one of the seven Minnesota State universities enter the university with junior-year status. All courses in the Transfer Pathway associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field.

**Minnesota State Universities - Designated Degrees**

- Bemidji State University: Business Administration BS
- Metropolitan State University: Business Administration BS, Entrepreneurship & Innovation BS, Finance BS, Human Resource Management BS, International Business BS, Management BS, Marketing BS, Supply Chain & Operations BS
- Minnesota State University, Mankato: Finance BS (Corporate Finance, Financial Planning & Insurance, General Finance, Institutional Finance, Investment Analysis), International Business BS, Management BS (Business Management or Human Resource Management), Marketing BS
- Minnesota State University, Moorhead: Business Administration BS
- Southwest Minnesota State University: Management BS (General Management, Human Resources Management, Supply Chain Management)
- St. Cloud State University: General Business BS, Management BS, Management BS (Human Resources Concentration, Operations Management Concentration), Marketing BS
- Winona State University: Business Administration BS

**Program Goals**

Upon completion of a business program at ARCC, students will exhibit proficiency in the following areas of business knowledge:

1. **Critical Thinking:** Apply critical thinking skills in the identification, analysis, and resolution of business problems;
2. **Interpersonal and Written Communication:** Exhibit interpersonal skills and professional attitudes while expressing ideas, information, and proposals in writing with stakeholders;
3. **Technology:** Demonstrate the ability to utilize current business software programs and information technologies in the creation and distribution of company communications and the creation, analysis, and retrieval of data;
4. **Finance:** Apply knowledge of financial concepts used in personal and business environments that leads to appropriate financial decisions; and
5. **Ethics:** Identify and utilize decision making that is ethical and socially responsible in the workplace.

**Required Courses: 60 Total Credits**

<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 1101	Introduction to Business.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 1104	Written Business Communications.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 1112	Computer Concepts and Applications.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 2125	Financial Accounting.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 2126♦	Managerial Accounting.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 2142	Principles of Marketing.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 2215	Legal Environment of Business.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS 2244	Principles of Management.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> Elective:	Choose any BUS course.....	2

Complete at least 30 credits in courses from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC), including all courses listed. You must complete at least one course in six of the ten goal areas. One course may satisfy more than one goal area, but the course credits may be counted only once.

- 1. Communication
  - ENGL 1120♦ **OR** ENGL 1121♦..... 4
  - CMST 1110 **OR** CMST 2215 **OR** CMST 2220..... 3
- 2. Critical Thinking
  - ECON 2206..... 3
- 3. Natural Science
- 4. Mathematical/Logical Reasoning
  - MATH 1114♦..... 4
  - MATH 1200♦..... 3
- 5. History/Social/Behavioral Sciences (*one course from B or C*)
  - ECON 2205..... 3
  - B. Anthropology/Psychology/Sociology (PSYC 1110 is recommended)
  - C. History/Political Science
- 6. Humanities/Fine Arts
- 7. Human Diversity
- 8. Global Perspective
- 9. Ethical/Civic Responsibility
- 10. People and the Environment

**Pathway Plan**

The following two-year Pathway Plan is suggested for full-time students. Part-time students will need more time to complete this pathway. For assistance with pathway planning, students should schedule an appointment with an academic advisor. See also the college catalog Appendix for course offering information.

♦ Course has prerequisite - see course schedule or catalog description.

^ Course requires Instructor permission.

NOTE: You are encouraged to contact an academic advisor at 763-433-1230 for course planning assistance and information about transfer credit evaluation and transfer options.

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## Semester One (16 Credits)

- BUS 1101 Introduction to Business..... 3
- BUS 1112 Computer Concepts and Applications ..... 3
- BUS 2215 Legal Environment of Business ..... 3
- CMST 1110 Introduction to Communication  
**OR**
- CMST 2215 Public Speaking  
**OR**
- CMST 2220 Interpersonal Communication..... 3
- ENGL 1120♦ Cross-Current College Writing and Critical Reading  
**OR**
- ENGL 1121♦ College Writing and Critical Reading ..... 4

## Semester Two (14 Credits)

- BUS 1104 Written Business Communications..... 3
- BUS 2125 Financial Accounting..... 4
- ECON 2205 Principles of Macroeconomics..... 3
- MATH 1114♦ Introduction to Statistics..... 4

## Semester Three (15-16 Credits)

- BUS 2126♦ Managerial Accounting..... 4
- ECON 2206 Principles of Microeconomics ..... 3
- MATH 1200♦ College Algebra..... 3
- MnTC Goal 5B or 5C  
(PSYC 1110 General Psychology is recommended)..... 3-4
- BUS Electives ..... 2

## Semester Four (14-15 Credits)

- BUS 2142 Principles of Marketing..... 4
- BUS 2244 Principles of Management ..... 4
- MnTC remaining goal areas..... 3-4
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## Degree Specifics

- A minimum of 60 semester credits in courses numbered 1000 or above.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in courses numbered 1000 or above at ARCC.
- Some students may need preparatory courses in the areas of English, mathematics or reading. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward this degree.
- Satisfy residency requirements.
- A minimum grade of C must be earned in all program requirements.
- Completion of specific degree requirements.
- Each state university has specific program requirements for completion. Please speak with your advisor about requirements at receiving institutions.
- To complete your program, please submit the appropriate application found [here](#).
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

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