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Virani Undergraduate School of Business

UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS ADVISING BOOKLET





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BOOKLET OVERVIEW

WHAT IS THIS BOOKLET?

This booklet serves as a guide for prospective business majors, offering insights into potential academic paths. You can use it to explore various options alongside other resources and conversations. The booklet is meant for all students: those who are undecided, those considering multiple majors, and those prepared to map out their academic plan in a specific major.

For definitive information regarding graduation and degree prerequisites, please consult the General Announcements (GA). In case of discrepancies between this booklet and the GA (ga.rice.edu), the GA supersedes.

For other resources, please visit:

General Announcements – ga.rice.edu

The Office of Academic Advising – oaa.rice.edu

Rice Business, Virani Undergraduate School of Business – business.rice.edu/ugbm

Course Schedule and Catalog – courses.rice.edu

Rice Business Undergraduate Student Programs Information – business.rice.edu/ugspi

FIRST-YEAR CHECKLIST

- ☐ Meet with your divisional advisor (DA) at least one time per semester.
- ☐ Complete your 12Twenty Profile
- ☐ Schedule an appointment with the Center for Career Development (ccd.rice.edu).
- ☐ Get involved! Join a student club or professional organization.
- ☐ Attend a CCD Workshop or PCA Event
- ☐ Attend a Career Night or other employer event
- ☐ Apply for an Owl Edge Externship through the CCD
- ☐ Find a mentor, such as an upper-level student, alumnus or faculty member that you feel comfortable reaching out to, and ask their guidance on how to thrive at Rice.



BUSINESS MAJOR OVERVIEW

WHY BUSINESS?

Choosing your major is a pivotal decision that shapes your academic journey and future prospects. The business major at Rice is the ideal launchpad for aspiring leaders. Our curriculum provides a solid grounding in essential business disciplines, including accounting, finance, marketing, organizational behavior, operations management, strategy and communication.

What sets our program apart is that, alongside your business major, you'll choose a concentration in either finance, management or marketing to deepen your expertise. This focused approach ensures that you are well-prepared for a successful career, making the business major a smart investment in your future.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETING A MAJOR IN BUSINESS

Our business major provides you with a robust foundation in leadership and business fundamentals. When you declare a major in business, you must also declare a finance, management, or marketing concentration, which requires additional advanced courses. Students pursuing the undergraduate degree with a major in business must complete:

- A minimum of 16-17 courses (48-54 credit hours, depending on course selection) to satisfy major requirements.
- A minimum of 120 hours to satisfy degree requirements.
- A minimum of 11 courses (33-34 credit hours, depending on course selection) taken at the 300-level or above.
- A maximum of 3 courses (9 credit hours) from study abroad or transfer credit.
- Specific course requirements for the finance, management and marketing concentrations.
- Because of the common core requirements, students may change their major concentration at any time, even after initially declaring the major. To do so, please contact the Office of the Registrar.

Summary

Total Credit Hours Required for the Major in Business and a Major Concentration in Finance: 48-54

Total Credit Hours Required for the Major in Business and a Major Concentration in Management: 48-54

Total Credit Hours Required for the Major in Business and a Major Concentration in Marketing: 48-54

Total Credit Hours Required for the BA Degree with a Major in Business: 120



MAJOR CONCENTRATIONS

UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS – MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION

With a robust foundation in leadership and business fundamentals – including accounting, finance, marketing, organizational behavior, strategy, communications and operations management – students who complete the business major will solve an array of problems affecting individuals, organizations and society at large.

Rice Undergraduate Business Major – Management Concentration

Our management concentration will help you acquire the analytical skills to solve a wide variety of management problems, such as devising and implementing a firm's strategy, and those involving leadership, teamwork and negotiation and decision-making. When you graduate, you will have developed the critical thinking and analytical skills required to apply theory to practice, and will know how to communicate effectively in the field of business.

BUSINESS FOUNDATION COURSES

- ECON 100 Principles of Economics **or** BUSI 150 Economics for Business
- BUSI 396 Business Communication

Select one course from the following:

- BUSI 395 Data Analytics
- STAT 310 / ECON 307 Probability and Statistics
- STAT 315 / DSCI 301 Probability and Statistics for Data Science

Select one from the following:

- MATH 101 Single Variable Calculus **or** MATH 105 AP/OTH Credit in Calculus 1
- MATH 111 Calculus: Differentiation and Its Applications **and** MATH 112 Calculus: Integration and Its Applications

BUSINESS CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 305 Financial Accounting
- BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations
- BUSI 343 Financial Management **or** ECON 343 Corporate Finance
- BUSI 374 Operations Management
- BUSI 380 Marketing
- BUSI 390 Strategic Management
- BUSI 430 Management Accounting

**For detailed course descriptions, please visit the [business major courses page](#).*

MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 420 Leadership and Teams
- BUSI 431 Advanced Strategic Management

Select three courses from the following:

- BUSI 215 Leading Across Social Divides
- BUSI 371 Product Development and Management **or** BUSI 401 Financial Statement Analysis **or** BUSI 480 Marketing Analytics
- BUSI 421 Power, Influence and Organizational Change
- BUSI 422 Negotiations and Decision Making
- BUSI 423 Emotional Intelligence for Leaders
- BUSI 424 Management Consulting Practicum
- BUSI 432 Business and Society
- BUSI 485 Foundations in Behavioral Research*
- BUSI 499 Independent Study*

*BUSI 485 and BUSI 499: Instructor Permission Required. Open exclusively to Moody Business Scholars with a management concentration.

MAJOR CONCENTRATIONS

MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION – SAMPLE DEGREE PLAN

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
FRESHMAN YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS ECON 100 Principles of Economics (3) MATH 101 / MATH 105 (3) BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) BUSI 395 Data Analytics (4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SOPHOMORE YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 390 Strategic Management (3) BUSI 396 Business Communication (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 343 Financial Management (3) BUSI 380 Marketing (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
JUNIOR YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 430 Management Accounting (3) Management Concentration course option 1 (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 374 Operations Management (3) Management Concentration course option 2 (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SENIOR YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 420 Leadership and Teams (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	13 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 431 Advanced Strategic Management (3) Management Concentration course option 3 (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)



MAJOR CONCENTRATIONS

UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS – FINANCE CONCENTRATION

With a robust foundation in leadership and business fundamentals – including accounting, finance, marketing, organizational behavior, strategy, communications and operations management – students who complete the business major will solve an array of problems affecting individuals, organizations and society at large.

Rice Undergraduate Business Major – Finance Concentration

Our finance concentration will help you acquire knowledge, research and analytical skills to solve a broad array of corporate finance and investment problems, such as analyzing a company or an investment's performance and valuing real and financial assets. When you graduate, you will have developed the critical thinking and analytical skills required to apply theory to practice, and will know how to communicate effectively in the field of business.

BUSINESS FOUNDATION COURSES

- ECON 100 Principles of Economics **or** BUSI 150 Economics for Business
 - BUSI 396 Business Communication
- Select one course from the following:*
- BUSI 395 Data Analytics
 - STAT 310 / ECON 307 Probability and Statistics
 - STAT 315 / DSCI 301 Probability and Statistics for Data Science

Select one from the following:

- MATH 101 Single Variable Calculus I **or** MATH 105 AP/OTH Credit in Calculus I
- MATH 111 Calculus: Differentiation and its Applications **and** MATH 112 Calculus: Integration and its Applications

BUSINESS CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 305 Financial Accounting
- BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations
- BUSI 343 Financial Management **or** ECON 343 Corporate Finance

Select four courses from the following:

- BUSI 374 Operations Management
- BUSI 380 Marketing
- BUSI 390 Strategic Management
- BUSI 430 Management Accounting
- ECON 200 Microeconomics

FINANCE CONCENTRATION CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 401 Financial Statement Analysis
- BUSI 447 Advanced Corporate Finance
- BUSI 448 Investments
- BUSI 450 Derivatives

FINANCE CONCENTRATION ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS

Select one course from the following:

- BUSI 420 Leadership and Teams
- BUSI 421 Power, Influence and Organizational Change
- BUSI 422 Negotiations and Decision Making
- BUSI 431 Advanced Strategic Management
- BUSI 432 Business and Society
- BUSI 480 Marketing Analytics
- ECON 203 Macroeconomics
- ECON 209 Applied Econometrics
- ECON 300 Game Theory for ECON Majors
- ECON 305 Game Theory for MTEC Majors

**For detailed course descriptions, please visit the [business major courses page](https://business.rice.edu).*

MAJOR CONCENTRATIONS

FINANCE CONCENTRATION – SAMPLE DEGREE PLAN

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
FRESHMAN YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS ECON 100 Principles of Economics (3) MATH 101 / MATH 105 (3) BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) BUSI 395 Data Analytics (4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SOPHOMORE YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 343 Financial Management (3) BUSI 390 Strategic Management (3) BUSI 396 Business Communication (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 380 Marketing (3) BUSI 447 Advanced Corporate Finance (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
JUNIOR YEAR	15-16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 401 Financial Statement Analysis (3) Elective or Business Elective (3-4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 374 Operations Management (3) BUSI 430 Management Accounting (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SENIOR YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 450 Derivatives (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	12-13 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 448 Investments (3) Elective or Business Elective (3-4) Elective (3) Elective (3)



MAJOR CONCENTRATIONS

UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS – MARKETING CONCENTRATION

With a robust foundation in leadership and business fundamentals – including accounting, finance, marketing, organizational behavior, strategy, communications and operations management – students who complete the business major will solve an array of problems affecting individuals, organizations and society at large.

Rice Undergraduate Business Major – Marketing Concentration

Our marketing concentration prepares you to think strategically, solve real-world business problems and communicate ideas with confidence. You'll build a strong business foundation while developing practical marketing skills used in today's marketplace. Through hands-on learning, you'll explore core marketing frameworks, consumer insights, product development and marketing research – gaining the tools needed to create smart strategies and build strong customer relationships.

BUSINESS FOUNDATION COURSES

- ECON 100 Principles of Economics **or** BUSI 150 Economics for Business
- BUSI 396 Business Communication

Select one course from the following:

- BUSI 395 Data Analytics
- STAT 310 / ECON 307 Probability and Statistics
- STAT 315 / DSCI 301 Probability and Statistics for Data Science

Select one from the following:

- MATH 101 Single Variable Calculus I **or** MATH 105 AP/OTH Credit in Calculus I
- MATH 111 Calculus: Differentiation and its Applications **and** MATH 112 Calculus: Integration and its Applications

BUSINESS CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 305 Financial Accounting
- BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations
- BUSI 343 Financial Management **or** ECON 343 Corporate Finance
- BUSI 374 Operations Management
- BUSI 380 Marketing
- BUSI 390 Strategic Management
- BUSI 430 Management Accounting

MARKETING CONCENTRATION CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 371 Product Development and Management
- BUSI 460 Pricing Strategy
- BUSI 470 Advertising and Digital Marketing
- BUSI 480 Marketing Analytics

MARKETING CONCENTRATION ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS

Select one course from the following:

- BUSI 420 Leadership and Teams
- BUSI 421 Power, Influence and Organizational Change
- BUSI 422 Negotiations and Decision Making
- BUSI 431 Advanced Strategic Management
- BUSI 432 Business and Society
- DSCI 302 Introduction to Data Science Tools and Models
- DSCI 303 Machine Learning for Data Science
- ECON 209 Applied Econometrics
- PSYC 202 Introduction to Social Psychology
- PSYC 203 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology

MAJOR CONCENTRATIONS

MARKETING CONCENTRATION – SAMPLE DEGREE PLAN

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
FRESHMAN YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS ECON 100 Principles of Economics (3) MATH 101 / MATH 105 (3) BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) BUSI 380 Marketing (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SOPHOMORE YEAR	16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 390 Strategic Management (3) BUSI 395 Data Analytics (4) BUSI 396 Business Communication (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 371 Product Development and Management (3) BUSI 343 Financial Management (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
JUNIOR YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 430 Management Accounting (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 470 Advertising and Digital Marketing (3) BUSI 374 Operations Management (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SENIOR YEAR	15-16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 460 Pricing Strategy (3) Elective or Business Elective (3-4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15-16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 480 Marketing Analytics (3) Elective or Business Elective (3-4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)



BUSINESS MINOR

UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS MINOR

By offering the opportunity to complement your major field of study, the business minor helps you develop a critical understanding of business concepts, decision-making frameworks and practical skills in communications, teamwork and organizational effectiveness. The undergraduate business minor is an integrated set of six courses designed to provide Rice undergraduates with a foundation in the essential business disciplines.

Choose six courses from the list below:

- **BUSI 305 Financial Accounting (3)**
- **BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3)**
- **BUSI 343 Financial Management (3)**
Prerequisite(s): (BUSI 395 OR STAT 180 OR STAT 280 OR SOSC 302 OR STAT 305 OR STAT 310 OR STAT 312 OR STAT 315 OR DSCI 301 OR ECON 307 OR POLI 395 OR PSYC 339) AND (ECON 100, ECON 200, OR BUSI 150) AND BUSI 305
- **BUSI 374 Operations Management (3)**
Prerequisite(s): BUSI 395 OR STAT 180 OR STAT 280 OR SOSC 302 OR STAT 305 OR STAT 310 OR STAT 312 OR STAT 315 OR DSCI 301 OR ECON 307 OR POLI 395 OR PSYC 339
- **BUSI 380 Marketing (3)**
- **BUSI 390 Strategic Management (3)**
Prerequisite(s): BUSI 305
- **BUSI 396 Business Communication (3)**

**For detailed course descriptions, please visit the [business minor courses page](#).*



ENTREPRENEURSHIP MINOR

UNDERGRADUATE ENTREPRENEURSHIP MINOR

The minor enables students to understand the theory and frameworks behind different disciplinary aspects of entrepreneurship and how to apply these theories to develop and scale innovative solutions to societal problems. Through the program, students develop professional skills that are valuable beyond entrepreneurship, such as the ability to:

- Identify critical problems or market opportunities and to develop validated solutions to meet these needs.
- Design solutions that are sustainable, inclusive and equitable.
- Embrace empathy to better understand customers, users, clients and team members.
- Excel in interdisciplinary teams and in communicating messaging across departments, organizations and industries.

MINOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Students complete 18 credit hours to earn the minor. At least 2 courses (6 credit hours) must be taken at the 300 level or above.

CORE COURSE REQUIREMENTS

ENTR 220: Intro to Design and Innovation (3)

ENTR 361: Entrepreneurial Communication (3)

ENTR 369: New Enterprises (3)

ENTR 463: Entrepreneurial Strategy (3)

ELECTIVE COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete six credit hours from the following:

- **ENTR 221/ENGI 221:** New Enterprises: Discovery (3)
- **ENTR 222:** AI and Tech Product Development (3)
- **ENTR 223:** Business Modeling for Entrepreneurs (3)
- **ENTR 224/BIOE 123:** Bias and Medical Device Design (1)
- **ENTR 360:** Founder's Journey (1.5)
- **ENTR 364/GLHT 364/SOSC 364:** Innovation for Social Impact (3)
- **ENTR 365:** Design Build Ship (3) - Application based. *Prerequisite: ENTR 220, ENTR 222 or ENTR 369*
- **ENTR 461:** Financing the Startup Venture (3)
- **ENTR 465:** Student Venture Fund: Evaluating Startup Investment Opportunities (3). *Prerequisite: ENTR 461*
- **ENTR 469:** Lilie New Venture Challenge (3) - Application based. *Prerequisite: ENTR 369*
- **RCEL 450:** Engineering Project Management and Leadership Action Learning (2)

**For detailed course descriptions, please visit the [entrepreneurship courses page](#).*



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

STUDY ABROAD

If you are interested in studying abroad, international experiences are possible for business students. Early planning and consultation are helpful for fitting an international experience into your degree plan, so we encourage interested students to reach out to department major advisors early to discuss your options.

To ensure your study abroad courses count toward your business major, you'll need to request pre-approval from the business major transfer credit advisor by emailing the syllabi for the courses you plan to take abroad, along with the Rice course equivalent course number and title for each. The evaluation process is thorough, so we recommend submitting your requests well in advance of course registration. Please submit no more than three study abroad course requests at a time.

Students may only transfer three business major courses in total. Most students who choose to study abroad take one or two business major equivalent courses abroad.

Rice's Study Abroad office (abroad.rice.edu) provides information and support for students exploring the options for study abroad experiences.

TRANSFER CREDITS

Please [visit here](#) for Rice's general policies regarding transfer credits. No more than three courses of transfer credit (9 credit hours) may apply toward the business major, and transfer credit is granted only for courses equivalent to those currently offered in the major.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Keep in mind that not all courses in the business major are offered every semester, especially major concentration courses. Please check our website for our current course offerings to plan each semester appropriately.

In the course catalog, there are multiple sections (001, 002, 003...) for all BUSI courses. Business students (majors, minors, and divisional students) should enroll in sections 001, 002, or 003. This registration process gives priority to business students to help them meet their degree requirements through a streamlined registration process.

The business school offers courses during the summer semester. These courses typically include BUSI 305 and BUSI 343. Other courses may be offered during this semester.



MOODY BUSINESS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Moody Business Scholars Program is a selective, cohort-based experience within Rice University's Virani Undergraduate School of Business. Designed for high-achieving business majors, the program prepares students for competitive careers through rigorous academics and hands-on industry immersion.

Supported by The Robert L. Moody, Sr. Fund for Undergraduate Business Students and a part of the Moody Experience, participants gain access to specialized co-curricular programming, including industry treks, networking events and professional development. Scholars also benefit from mentorship by faculty and alumni.

Benefits of the Moody Business Scholars Program across the tracks include technical training and practicum, industry treks and company visits, networking opportunities, case competitions and a capstone project.

APPLICATION PERIODS

- Finance Track: Apply in Spring Semester of your Freshman or Sophomore year
- Management Track: Apply in Fall semester of your Junior Year
- Marketing Track: Application launching in 2028



PROGRAM OVERVIEW — AT A GLANCE

	FINANCE TRACK	MANAGEMENT TRACK	MARKETING TRACK
APPLICATION TIMELINE	Spring 2027	Fall 2026	Expected launch and program details to be shared in 2028
COHORT / PROGRAMS BEGIN	May 2027	Spring 2027	
WHO CAN APPLY	Current Freshmen and Sophomore Business Majors with a Finance Concentration	Current Junior Business Majors with a Management Concentration	
PRE-REQUISITE COURSES	BUSI 305 (Completed or concurrent enrollment)	None to apply	
PROGRAM BENEFITS	• Technical training for investment banking • Industry treks and company visits • Wayfinder training for resume building, interviewing and networking advising • Exclusive access to finance focused speaker series and networking sessions • Capstone project managing real investment capital	• Management consulting practicum • Foundations in behavioral research • Case preparation training and access to case competitions • Networking opportunity with consulting firms • Opportunity to engage in research with BUSI faculty member • Attend academic conferences • Complete paid behavior lab internship as “lab manager”	

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I have to declare my concentration in finance to apply for the finance track, and can I apply for multiple tracks? Students must have a declared concentration in order to apply and are only eligible to apply for the Moody Business Scholars Program track that matches their concentration. Students cannot apply for multiple tracks.

What are the prerequisites to apply? Do I need to have taken any specific courses or be enrolled in any courses to be eligible?

- For the finance track: Students must have taken or be concurrently enrolled in BUSI 305: Financial Accounting.
- For the management track: While there are no prerequisite courses to apply for the management track, students must complete (or be enrolled in) BUSI 421: Power, Influence, and Organizational Change, BUSI 422: Negotiations and Decision Making, and BUSI 423: Emotional Intelligence by spring of junior year.

Is there a GPA requirement to apply? There is no GPA requirement, but students are required to submit a copy of their unofficial transcript. Applications and transcripts will be reviewed holistically.

How will students be selected? Candidates will be selected based on their application and a follow-up interview, with final decisions informed by faculty input regarding the student’s career goals, potential, and motivation. In addition to the written application and interview, Rice faculty will submit a supplemental evaluation for each applicant.



CENTER FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Center for Career Development (CCD) offers programs, services, and resources to guide Rice students in pursuing their career goals. The CCD equips Rice students with the skills and confidence needed to discover their interests and navigate their career journey from college to graduation, and throughout their life.

Visit rice.12twenty.com to access:

- Internships & Jobs
- Career Development workshops, appointments and events
- Career Nights
- Career Crawls
- Externships
- Peer Career Advisors
- Virtual Drop-Ins
- On-Campus Interviews
- 24/7 Career Development
- Resources



EVENTS ATTENDANCE POLICY

When registering for an event in 12twenty (including a recruiting presentation, coffee chat, Lunch & Learn, and Career Night), you agree to attend and conduct yourself in a professional manner when engaging with employers. This includes signing in with the CCD staff representative to confirm your attendance and abiding by the dress code indicated in the event on 12twenty.

If you are unable to attend an event, you are required to cancel your registration in 12twenty 24 hours in advance. If you must cancel after the 24-hour window has passed, you are required to email the CCD and the primary event contact listed in 12twenty explaining your absence.

PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE GUIDELINES

When planning to attend an event, always check the Dress Attire listed in 12twenty to determine how the employer expects you to present yourself. Regardless of the dress code, your clothes should always be clean, well-fitted, and free of wrinkles and stains.

Not sure where to start? Schedule a Career Gear/Dress for Success Referral appointment in 12twenty, register for a Career Closet Drop-In*, or meet with a Peer Career Advisor in your college!

**Career Closet Drop-Ins registration opens 24 hours in advance of a planned event in 12twenty and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Students may only visit once a semester in order to facilitate access to as many students as possible.*

For full CCD Event Attendance Policy and Professional Attire Guidelines, click below:
ccd.rice.edu/students/events

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the difference between the BUSI major and BUSI minor?

The business major builds on the minor. The two programs share six required courses but the major has a higher-level mathematics and statistics requirement, additional required courses in management accounting and operations management, and students complete advanced coursework to earn a concentration in finance or management.

Does the business major accommodate students interested in pursuing a second major or minor?

The business major offers a customizable curriculum, intentionally designed to give you the time and space to pursue a second major or a minor. This allows you to tailor your degree to your unique interests and career goals.

What type of research opportunities are available?

If you're interested in research, you can pursue an independent study for credit in BUSI 499: UG Business Independent Study, where you can conduct a research project with a faculty advisor. This course is repeatable for credit. You can see the business faculty and their areas of research [here](#).

Can I receive BUSI credit for my internship?

Yes, BUSI 498: Applied Business Experience provides one hour of university credit for faculty-approved internship. Business major students will participate in enriching work experiences (including traditional summer internships) as a complement to what is offered in the classroom. Students must obtain approval from the Assistant Dean, Virani Undergraduate School of Business and must submit an offer letter from the internship provider and a letter indicating completion and satisfactory performance. Instructor permission is required and must be obtained prior to the start of the internship.

Can I use transfer credit or AP credit for ECON 100?

No substitution or transfer credit (including exams such as advanced placement (AP)/international baccalaureate (IB)/A-Level credit) is allowed for ECON 100. It must be taken at Rice.

Can a course fulfill both my major concentration core requirements and my elective requirements?

A course that is not selected to fulfill the major concentration core requirements may fulfill the elective requirement. No course may count toward both requirements.



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