



George Dean Johnson, Jr.
College of Business & Economics

Accreditation

Business programs are accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International).

Vision

The vision of the Johnson College of Business and Economics (JCBE) is to become the school-of-first-choice for an excellent baccalaureate business administration education for students of the Upstate of South Carolina.

Mission

USC Upstate's Johnson College of Business and Economics provides and delivers excellent undergraduate business education to a diverse student population. In support of this mission,

- Our educational programs prepare graduates to enter and succeed in a variety of business careers in an expanding global environment through a focus on current and ethical business practices.
- Our faculty is engaged in intellectual pursuits that focus primarily on applied scholarship and teaching excellence.
- Our community and service activities are developed in partnership with business and professional constituencies to enhance the quality of life and economic well being in the upstate metropolitan region.
- As a school, we hold our faculty, staff and students accountable for practicing a high degree of personal and professional excellence, integrity and civility.

Program Goals

The goals of the JCBE for the accomplishment of the mission are to:

- Provide an excellent education to a diverse student body
- Implement the curriculum with a high quality faculty

Degree Programs

The Johnson College of Business and Economics offers programs leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. Minors in business administration and economics are also offered. In addition to the Spartanburg downtown campus on East St. John Street, courses are also offered at the Greenville campus. Students are invited to visit the Johnson College of Business and Economics to explore career opportunities.

All Johnson College students are required to take the specified general education courses. All students then take a common business and economics core sequence, spanning the full range of business functions. Finally students select a concentration.

Students should begin with the recommended curriculum as early as possible. This sequence includes a combination of business, economics and general education courses suggested for each semester in which the student is enrolled. It is imperative that students begin their mathematics/statistics sequence in the first semester of their freshman year and continue this sequence each semester to make adequate progress in any of the business concentrations. Students in business administration and economics are advised by the faculty from the Johnson College of Business and Economics.

Students not pursuing a Business degree may earn a maximum of 29 semester hours in Business courses, excluding SECO 221, 222, 291, and 292, providing they meet the course prerequisites and have earned 54 credit hours before enrolling in 300-level and above courses.

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Business may also pursue any university approved minor except the economics minor and the business administration minor. See catalog section concerning minors. Usually, completing the degree with a minor will require more than the minimum 120 credit hours to graduate.

Admission to the Professional Program (Upper Division)

Students seeking a degree in business must be admitted to the Professional Program (upper division) before enrolling in 300-level or above business administration (SBAD) and economics (SECO) courses.

Application Process

The professional program application form may be obtained from the Johnson College of Business and Economics (JCBE) Office of Student Services or on the Upstate Web site. The application must be filed with the JCBE Office of Student Services no earlier than the term in which students anticipate completing 54 credit hours.

Application Deadlines

Students must be accepted into the professional program before they are eligible to register for upper level (300 and above) business and economics courses.

Admission Requirements

Admission of applicants is based on individual consideration. Each applicant must fulfill the following requirements:

- Successful completion of 54 credit hours
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.0
- Completion with a C or better: SEGL 101, SEGL 102, SSPH 201, and SMTH 122
- Successful completion of SBAD 225 and SECO 221 or 222

Conditional Approval

Students are conditionally approved for professional program admission during the semester of application to facilitate registration for the following semester. If the student's final academic performance for the semester does not meet the admission requirements, it is the student's responsibility to make the necessary schedule adjustments.

Transfer Students and Conditional Approval

Transfer students who have met the 54-credit hour and GPA requirements at time of admission may be granted conditional admission for one semester in order to complete the specific course requirements.

Graduation Requirements

In addition to meeting the curriculum requirements for a degree in business administration, graduation requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 and a minimum grade of C (S in SBAD 499) on all upper division Business courses. (A grade of D or higher is acceptable for meeting a course prerequisite requirement unless otherwise specified in the catalog course description.) The highest grade earned on any course in business and economics is applied toward the degree. At least 50 percent of the business and economics credit hours applied toward graduation must be awarded by USC Upstate.

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Student Worksheet

The Johnson College of Business and Economics is accredited by AACSB International. The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration offers concentrations in Accounting, Economics/Finance, General Business Administration, Management, and Marketing.

General Education Courses

I. Communication 9
 _____ SEGL 101 and SEGL 102 6

_____ SSPH 201 3

II. Mathematics 6-7
 _____ SMTH 122 or SMTH 141

**Students not placing into SMTH 122 or 141 must complete the prerequisites before taking the required math class. The college level prerequisite(s) will count as free elective(s).*

_____ SECO 291

III. Information Technology 3
 _____ CSCS 138

IV. Natural Science 7-8
Two courses from the following (at least one with the associated lab)

_____ SAST 111/L; SBIO 110/L, 206, 240, 270; SCHM 101/L, 105, 106, 107/L, 109/L; SGEG 201/L, 202; SGEL 101/L, 102/L, 103/L, 120, 121, 123/L, 131, 241; SPHS 101/L, 201/L, 202/L

V. Arts and Humanities 6
One fine arts course:

_____ SAAS 204; SATH 101, 105, 106; SMUS 110, 140; STHE 161, 170

One course from the following representing a different discipline from the above fine arts course.

_____ SAAS 204; SAMS 101, 102; SATH 101, 105, 106; SEGL 250, 252, 275, 279, 280, 283, 289, 290, 291; SFLM 240; SMUS 110, 140; SPHL 102, 211; SREL 103; STHE 161, 170

VI. Foreign Language and Culture 3
Foreign Language minimum 102 level

_____ SCHI 102; SFRN 102; SGRM 102; SSPN 102

Students not placing in the 102 level of a foreign language must complete the prerequisite (101). This prerequisite will count as a free elective. Students who place into the 201 or higher level of a foreign language are exempt from the foreign language/culture general education requirement but will have additional hours in electives.

VII. History 3

_____ SHST 101 or 102

VIII. Social and Behavioral Sciences 6

_____ SECO 221

One course selected from the following

_____ SAAS 201; SANT 102; SGEG 101, 103; SGIS 201, SPSY 101; SSOC 101; SWST 101

Major Course Requirements

Business Core (required in all majors)

_____ SBAD 225: Financial Accounting 3

_____ SBAD 226: Managerial Accounting 3

_____ SBAD 290: Intro to Business Info Systems 3

_____ SBAD 347: Legal Environment of Business 3

_____ SBAD 350: Principles of Marketing 3

_____ SBAD 363: Business Finance 3

_____ SBAD 371: Organizational Mgmt. & Behavior 3

_____ SBAD 372: Operations Management 3

_____ SBAD 478: Business Policy (Senior Seminar) 3

_____ SECO 222: Principles of Microeconomics 3

_____ SECO 292: Statistical Inference 3

Concentration Areas

Accounting^{1,2}

SBAD 331: Intermediate Accounting I 3

SBAD 332: Intermediate Accounting II 3

SBAD 333: Cost Accounting 3

SBAD 335: Individual Tax Planning 3

SBAD 433: Accounting Controls Systems 3

SBAD 435: Auditing 3

SBAD 461: International Business Finance or SECO 303: International Economics 3

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¹To be eligible to take the CPA exam in South Carolina, a person must have 120 semester credit hours, including 24 hours of accounting and 24 hours of other business courses. To qualify for the CPA license in South Carolina, a person must have 150 semester credit hours with a baccalaureate or higher degree with 36 hours in accounting (with at least 24 hours at the junior level or above) and 36 hours of other business courses. Please see an accounting advisor concerning additional requirements.

²Students planning to take the Certified Public Accountant examination should take SBAD 437 Advanced Accounting in addition to the accounting concentration courses.

Economics/Finance

- SECO 301: Commercial & Central Banking 3
- SECO 303: International Economics 3
- SECO 322: Intermediate Macro Theory 3
- SECO 326: Managerial Economics 3
- one of the following: 3
 - SBAD 364: Financial Institutions and Markets
 - SBAD 365: Principles of Investments
- one of the following: 3
 - SBAD 378: International Business Enterprise
 - SBAD 452: International Marketing
 - SBAD 461: International Business Finance
- one of the following: 3
 - SECO 311: Issues in Economics
 - SECO 499: Topics in Economics
 - SBAD 333: Cost Accounting
 - SBAD 390: Business Tech & Info Systems
 - SBAD 499: Business Internship

General Business Administration

- SBAD 333: Cost Accounting 3
- SBAD 351: Consumer Behavior 3
- SBAD 374: Mgmt. of Human Resources 3
- SECO 326: Managerial Economics 3
- SBAD 398: Topics in Metro Bus. Studies 3
- one of the following international courses: 3
 - SBAD 378: International Business Enterprise
 - SBAD 452: International Marketing
 - SBAD 461: International Business Finance
 - SECO 303: International Economics
- one of the following: 3
 - SBAD 335: Individual Tax Planning
 - SBAD 365: Principles of Investment
 - SBAD 390: Business Tech & Info Systems
 - SBAD 457: Marketing Research
 - SBAD 471: New Business Enterprise
 - SBAD 499: Business Internship

Management

- SBAD 374: Mgmt. of Human Resources 3
- SBAD 377: Advanced Organizational Behavior 3
- SBAD 471: New Business Enterprise 3
- SBAD 475: Advanced Operations Mgmt. 3
- one of the following: 3
 - SBAD 378: International Business Enterprise
 - SBAD 452: International Marketing
 - SBAD 461: International Business Finance
 - SECO 303: International Economics
- two of the following, if not taken to 6
- fulfill above requirements: 6
 - SBAD 378: International Business Enterprise
 - SBAD 390: Business Tech & Info Systems
 - SBAD 398: Topics in Metro. Business Studies
 - SBAD 452: International Marketing

- SBAD 461: International Business Finance
- SBAD 476: Statistical Process Control
- SBAD 499: Business Internship
- SECO 303: International Economics
- SECO 326: Managerial Economics

Marketing

- SBAD 351: Consumer Behavior 3
- SBAD 352: Marketing Communications 3
- SBAD 452: International Marketing 3
- SBAD 457: Marketing Research 3
- SBAD 458: Marketing Management 3
- Two of the following: 6
 - SBAD 377: Adv. Organizational Behavior
 - SBAD 390: Business Technology & Information Systems
 - SBAD 455: Topics in Marketing
 - SBAD 456: Business Marketing
 - SBAD 459: Personal Selling & Sales Mgmt.
 - SBAD 471: New Business Enterprise
 - SBAD 499: Business Internship
 - SECO 326: Managerial Economics

Electives

21-23

Total Hours Required

120

Minor in Economics¹ Student Worksheet

Required Courses¹

_____ SECO 221: Principles of Macroeconomics ²	3	Six additional credit hours to be selected from Economics 301, 303, 311, or 499	6
_____ SECO 222: Principles of Microeconomics ²	3	_____	
_____ SECO 322: Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	3	_____	
_____ SECO 326: Managerial Economics	3		
_____ Total Hours Required			18

¹Minimum grade of C in all courses

²6 hours may be used to satisfy general education credit

Minor in Business Administration Student Worksheet

Required Courses^{1,2,3}

_____ SBAD 225: Financial Accounting	3	Two additional courses to be selected from 300-level SBAD or SECO courses	6
_____ SBAD 221: Principles of Macroeconomics or SECO 222: Principles of Microeconomics	3	Recommended courses: SBAD 347, 351, 369, 374, and 390	
_____ SBAD 350: Principles of Marketing	3	_____	
_____ SBAD 371: Organizational Management and Behavior	3	_____	
_____ Total Hours Required			18

¹Up to 6 hours of General Education (<300 level) may be used to satisfy requirements of a minor.

²Minimum grade of C in all coursework.

³A minimum of 12 hours of upper division coursework is required.

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Recommended Curriculum Schedule

Freshman Year—Fall

English 101
Mathematics 121 or 122
Computer Science 138
Foreign Language
History 101 or 102

Sophomore Year—Spring

Arts and Humanities
Economics 222
Economics 292
Business 226
Free elective

Senior Year—Fall

Free elective
Free elective
Business concentration course
Business concentration course
Business concentration course

Freshman Year—Spring

English 102
Mathematics 122 or elective
Natural Science
Foreign Language or free elective
Fine Arts

Junior Year—Fall

Natural Science
Business 350
Business 371
Business concentration course
Free elective

Senior Year—Spring

Business 478
Free elective
Free elective
Business concentration course
Business concentration course

Sophomore Year—Fall

Speech 201
Economics 221
Economics 291
Business 225
Business 290

Junior Year—Spring

Social Science elective
Business 347
Business 363
Business 372
Business concentration course