Associate of Arts (AA) in Business Administration
Curriculum & Course Descriptions

General Education Requirements

WRIT 101  Person in Community: Writing Colloquium
A first-year writing-intensive skills course whose content focuses on Benedictine University and its mission of higher learning grounded in the liberal arts and guided by its Benedictine Heritage and Catholic tradition. Students will be introduced to the theme of “Person in Community,” which unites the Cultural Heritage sequence of courses. Readings will encourage students to understand, discuss, and write about issues of contemporary relevance. Emphasis on writing and revising argumentative essays, grammar review, basic library research skills, and textual analysis.

SPCH 110  Speech Communication
An introduction to public speaking, communication theory and small-group and interpersonal communication. The course includes researched extemporaneous speeches and several in-class exercises.

WRIT 102  Research Writing
A course that introduces students to writing in the disciplines of literature, social science, or biological science. Students study types of writing in the discipline, use advanced library research techniques, write brief literature reviews, and develop and write significant research papers.

MATH 104  Advanced Business Mathematics
This course is designed to provide the student with a good understanding of proper problem-solving techniques; simplifying algebraic expressions; solving first-degree equations; the properties of lines, graphs and functions; modeling and analysis of functions; and solving finance problems. The TI-83 Plus graphing calculator is used throughout the course.

HUMN 220  The Mediterranean World
Studies the ancient cultures located around the Mediterranean Sea and the contributions they made to the development of western civilizations to about 500 A.D. Drawing upon the resources of the Catholic and Benedictine traditions, the course explores the theme of "person in community" as reflected in religion, art, philosophy, and social, political, and economic institutions.

PHIL 245  General Ethics
Investigation of ethical concepts and theories and an analysis of the norms of ethical decision.

FNAR 100  Art Appreciation
Introduction to the visual arts through lectures, discussions and field trips.

NUTR 100  Impact of Nutrition
An introduction to nutrients; cultural, socioeconomic, other influences on nutrition intake; impact of nutrition on health status; issues of hunger & malnutrition
MUSI 104  **Music Appreciation: Medieval to Contemporary**  
This course explores the history of Western Classical Music by focusing on each of its eras. It also offers access to various ways to listen to music and how to take full advantage of concert attendance. Provides detailed explanations and sound demonstrations of the basic musical elements and performing media.

GEOG 105  **Physical Geography**  
An introduction to hydrology and the physical processes operating in and on the planet earth. Topics of study will include ground and surface water, the hydrologic cycle, watershed models, groundwater recharge, geomorphology, tectonics, structural features, and geological processes relating to natural resource management, environmental processes and concerns.

ECON 101  **Principles of Macroeconomics**  
Determination of income, employment, and the price level. Effects of fiscal and monetary policies.

PSYC 100  **Survey of Psychology**  
Overview of the field; principles and general methodology; concepts, theories and research, applicability to modern living.

ANTH 200  **Cultural Anthropology**  
Study of the origins of mankind and culture. Development of human language, culture, and institutions, cross cultural analysis of societies, and cultures.

**Business Core Requirements**

MGT 110  **Business Principles and Skills for Academic Success**  
Introductory course for adults pursuing an Associate's degree. Academic success topics include learning styles, group interaction, written and oral communication skills, research and critical thinking skills, and time management. This course also includes a survey of business structures and operations. Other topics include the role of consumers in business, social responsibility within business organizations, and specialized business fields.

CMSC 100  **Introduction to PC Software Applications**  
Introduction to the software applications of word processing, spreadsheet, and database management using the Microsoft Office Suite for Windows.

MGT 150  **Business Statistics I**  
Basic course in statistical technique; includes measures of central tendency, variability, probability theory, sampling, estimation, and hypothesis testing.

ECON 102  **Principles of Microeconomics**  
Demand-Supply model, consumer and firm decision-making, market structures, price determination, resource allocation.

ACCT 111  **Accounting I**  
Principles of financial accounting; including the basic structure of accounting, accounting systems, and controls, the preparation and use of financial statements, and problems related to financial disclosures.
ACCT 112  **Accounting II**  
Principles of managerial accounting; including cost accounting, planning and control systems, and analysis and interpretation of financial statements.

MGT 210  **Management**  
An overview of the fundamentals of management and leadership and their impact on the modern corporation. The course is a combination of theory and practical application, offering the student an opportunity to learn about the nature of management, leadership, and cultural diversity issues.

MGT 220  **Entrepreneurship**  
Application of business principles to planning, organizing, and operating the entrepreneurial enterprise.