

Associate in Business Degree (AB)



An Associate in Business Degree is a jump start for students seeking a career in business and the perfect stepping stone to your four-year business degree. Students will earn a general knowledge of business that will give them the basic skills for an entry level position and the credits to continue their education.

PREPARING YOU FOR YOUR FUTURE . . .

- ✓ An Associate Degree in Business builds the foundation for pursuing a career in business. The coursework provides the general knowledge of business administration that allows students to move into an entry-level role in less time.
- ✓ Earning an Associate in Business Degree from SMC will prepare you for the next step in your education. It is designed to transfer into our Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration degree.
- ✓ Research shows that students who earn an associate degree earn up to \$8,000 more per year than workers without a degree.

Career Opportunities

Earning an Associate in Business Degree is the perfect start to continuing on to a Bachelor's Degree in Business. It can also provide the education needed to move into several career opportunities, including:

- Sales Associate
- Office Manager
- Real Estate Agent
- Marketing Associate
- Human Resources Representative



START HERE
to begin your higher education journey.



FINISH HERE
with the skills you need to succeed.



The **Associate in Business** offers the first two years of general education and business courses that transitions to the Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration degree completion program. The Associate in Business degree program is designed to help students learn fundamental business skills and prepare for today's business careers. In addition to helping you lay down a solid understanding of foundational skills, the Associate degree in Business also allows you to pursue additional courses in accounting, finance, economics, and analytics.

Course Requirements

Associate in Business Degree

<i>Subject/Course Requirement</i>	<i>Semester Hours</i>
English	
ENGL 101	3
ENGL 102	3
Literature or English 250	3
Computer Science	
CSCI _____	3
History	
HIST _____ (HIST 101, 102, 112, 201 or 202)	3
SMC Group	
SMC 101	1
SMC 201	1
Mathematics	
MATH 112	3
MATH _____ (121, 210, 221, 222)	3 or 4
Health and Wellness	
_____ (PHED 121, Health 101, 201, 240)	3
Public Speaking	
SPCH 201	3
Religion	
RELI _____ (RELI 103, 211, 212, 215 or 220)	3
Natural Science (any natural science)	
Science _____	4
Business – 21 Hours Required	
BSAD 101 Introduction to Business	3
BSAD 103 Personal Finance	3
BSAD 201 Principles of Macroeconomics	3
BSAD 202 Principles of Microeconomics	3
BSAD 205 Accounting I	3
BSAD 206 Accounting II	3
BSAD 211 Business Statistics for Decision Making	3
Electives	
Elective (MATH 210 recommended)	3
Total 60 credit hours	

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PATHWAY

Students can earn an Associate degree as a stand-alone qualification, as a stepping stone into further study, or as a guaranteed pathway into SMC's Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, or Bachelor of Arts in Psychology.

ASSOCIATE IN BUSINESS PATHWAY

The Associate in Business (AB) degree is a pathway into the Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration program. An AB degree will allow you to make a seamless transition from the associate degree level to the upper-level bachelor's degree program.

TUITION & FEES

The tuition and fees below apply to the 2023-2024 school year. Please note that all tuition and fees are subject to change at any time when circumstances warrant.

Tuition (per academic year)	\$16,200*
Room & Board (per academic year)	\$9,900
Fees (per academic year)	\$3,150

*Tuition rate for full-time students is based on an hourly rate of \$675 per credit hour up to the 12-credit-hour, full-time requirement.