



ACADEMIC ALERT #2007-29

DATE: December 2007

DECISION: College of Management and Business (CMB)

**Revised B.A. in Business Administration
Changes in General Education and Program Prerequisites**

Rationale

When the B.A. in Business Administration curriculum was developed and approved, certain assumptions about program prerequisites were made. Now that faculty has worked with applying/admitted students for two years and has started the first cohort group, some refinements to those prerequisites are needed. Also refinements are required now that the course development has been completed.

Senate Academic Planning Committee Approval: December 20, 2007

Faculty Senate Approval: Point of Information; Not Required

Provost Approval: Point of Information; Not Required

Program Authorizations: The B.A. in Business Administration Program is authorized to be offered in the following Illinois Regions: Chicago; North Suburban; West Suburban; and South Metropolitan. The B.A. in Business Administration is also authorized to be offered at the NLU campus in Virginia; and at WSB-NLU Nowy Sacz, Poland.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Effective Fall Term, 2008

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General Education Requirements

As originally developed, students were required to complete 70 quarter hours of General Education while meeting the minimum requirements of the university.

The changes decrease the number of specific General Education hours from 70 to 60 quarter hours, eliminating one Mathematics course and one Social Science elective course. To meet the University's General Education requirements, the following coursework will be required prior to starting in the degree-completion B.A. in Business Administration program:

General Education (60 QH)	
Subject	Requirements
Communications (each course minimum 4 QH)	LAE 101 English Composition I or equivalent LAE 102 English Composition II or equivalent LAT 210 Effective Speaking or equivalent
Humanities (minimum 4 QH)	One Humanities course *
Fine Arts (minimum 4 QH)	One Fine Arts course *
Quantitative Reasoning (each course minimum 4 QH) Change: one math course dropped	LAM 220 College Algebra or equivalent LAM 214 Mathematics for Management Science or a Finite Math course OR LAM 216 Statistical Methods or equivalent
Physical and Life Sciences (minimum 4 QH)	Any Laboratory Science course *
Social Sciences (each course minimum 4 QH) Change: additional social science course dropped	LAS 250 Macroeconomics or equivalent LAS 255 Microeconomics or equivalent
Behavioral Science (minimum 4 QH)	LAP 100 General Psychology or equivalent
Additional General Education courses to equal 60 quarter hour minimum.	Courses may be chosen from NLU General Education curriculum or IAI-designated General Education courses.

*These courses may be taken after starting the cohort.

Business Program Prerequisites (52 QH)

Faculty is eliminating the requirement of an International Business course, adding one additional Business/Management elective course.

MGT 101 Introduction to Business or equivalent
MGT 150 Introduction to Computers or equivalent
MGT 120 Accounting I or equivalent
MGT 121 Accounting II or equivalent
MGT 122 Accounting III or equivalent
MGT 204 Business Law I or equivalent
MGT 302 Principles of Management & Supervision or equivalent
MGT 300 Principles of Marketing or equivalent
MGT 301 Principles of Finance or equivalent
At least 1 Computer Elective or equivalent
At least 3 Business electives or equivalent

Additional Computer, Business, or Management courses if necessary to equal 52 QH.

Implementation

All changes need to be entered in Banner and CAPP.

The Transfer Guide web pages need to be updated.

Marketing materials need to be developed that include the changes in the alert.

The new catalog copy will be written and submitted to the Vice Provost and Assistant Registrar for Schedules and Catalogs to ensure that catalog copy is prepared and ready for the next catalog, 2008-2009.