

Business Process Integration Management

Composite Major

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Major

Students who successfully complete the BPIM major demonstrate communication, problem-solving, business, collaboration and technical skills. Students will focus on business processes and advanced enterprise systems to be well-prepared to enter the growing business and IT workforce. The BPIM prepares students for business analyst, functional analyst, information systems analyst and process improvement analyst positions. This occupation in particular requires the ability to understand business requirements and apply the knowledge learned to implement and manage information systems in an organization.

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Agriculture Club: The VCSU Ag Club provides opportunities for members to develop the skills, abilities, and leadership qualities necessary to enter and advance in careers in agriculture, agribusiness, agricultural technologies, horticulture, and natural resources. Any student preparing for a career in these areas is welcome to join. Members will participate in leadership activities specifically focused on the agricultural environment. The VCSU Ag Club is also affiliated with the State and National Postsecondary Ag Students (PSA) Organizations, and makes an excellent addition to student's resumes.

Collegiate DECA: The mission of DECA is to prepare emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management in high schools and colleges around the globe. DECA provides opportunities for students to be academically prepared, community oriented, professionally responsible, and to become experienced leaders. DECA helps promote networking, innovation, integrity, and teamwork for all members. Students have the opportunity to participate in leadership conferences, state and international competition and professional development which will help aid students in their mastery toward employability skills.

Practical Experience

Students are encouraged to earn credits by extending their learning beyond the classroom. For example, several prominent firms in the region offer internship programs that provide supervised business training. Firms such as Bank Forward, John Deere Seeding Group, Gander Mountain, Coca-Cola, WDAY, Farm Services Agency, Chamber of Commerce, KOVC and Best Buy have had VCSU students in their internship programs. Shadowing allows students to observe managers in daily work routines. Students will have the opportunity to also participate in economic development activities such as tours, workshops, fairs and conferences. An internship can be a part of a student's academic program and can take place any semester after sophomore year for 3 to 12 credits. Student interns gain hands-on workplace experience to build resumes, become well prepared to enter a specific career

field, network with professionals in the career field of interest, and may gain a full-time position through that experience.

"I completed the BPIM degree after a year and a half, and I gained a lot more than an education during that time. The professors and staff prepared me for the real world, which I am very grateful for. Shortly after graduating I landed an amazing job as a Land Contract Analyst for Legacy Reserves Operating LP. This position allows me to use the knowledge I gained at VCSU. After being there for four months I have gained knowledge with land contracts, completely revised our filing system and also inputted data in our software program. Without the education and knowledge I learned from NWC and VCSU, I would not of been able to land this job or be able to be successful at it." —Hanah Cunningham '14, Bridgeport, Neb.

Plan of Study

Fall start - even years

First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
BUSI 249	1	Additional Humanities or Social Science (Gen Ed)	2
CIS 170 (Gen Ed)	3	COMM 110 (Gen Ed)	3
ENGL 110 (Gen Ed)	3	ENGL 125 (Gen Ed)	3
HPER 100 (Gen Ed)	2	Lab Science (Gen Ed)	4
Lab Science (Gen Ed)	4	MATH 103 (Gen Ed)	3
UNIV 150	1		
	14		15

Second Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ACCT 200	3	ACCT 201	3
CIS 369	3	Art and Music (Gen Ed)	3
CIS 380	3	BUSI 336	3
COMM 304	3	ECON 202 (Gen Ed)	3
ECON 201 (Gen Ed)	3	MATH 210	3
Literacies (Gen Ed)	3		
	18		15

Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
COMM 360	3	CIS 371	3
CIS 470	4	Directed Elective	3
FIN 375	3	Elective	3
MGMT 235	3	Elective	3
MRKT 305	3	MGMT 330	3
	16		15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
BUSI 350	3	BUSI 491	1
BUSI 485	3	COMM 483	3

Directed Elective	3	Directed Elective	3
Elective	3	Directed Elective	3
ENGL 420	3	Directed Elective	2
	15		12

Total Credits 120

Fall start - odd years

First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
BUSI 249	1	Additional Humanities or Social Science (Gen Ed)	2
CIS 170 (Gen Ed)	3	COMM 110 (Gen Ed)	3
ENGL 110 (Gen Ed)	3	ENGL 125 (Gen Ed)	3
HPER 100 (Gen Ed)	2	Lab Science (Gen Ed)	4
Lab Science (Gen Ed)	4	MATH 103 (Gen Ed)	3
UNIV 150	1		
	14		15

Second Year

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Directed Elective	3	Art and Music (Gen Ed)	3
ECON 201 (Gen Ed)	3	BUSI 336	3
Literacies (Gen Ed)	3	ECON 202 (Gen Ed)	3
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Please note: This plan is intended for general information only. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their academic advisor each semester before registration.