

**REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (INFORMATION SYSTEMS)
(BBA[IS])**

These regulations apply to students admitted in the academic year 2005-2006 and thereafter.

(See also General Regulations and Regulations for First Degree Curricula)

Admission to the degree

BBA(IS) 1 To be eligible for admission to the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Information Systems), candidates shall

- (a) comply with the General Regulations;
 - (b) comply with the Regulations for First Degree Curricula; and
 - (c) satisfy all the requirements of the curriculum in accordance with the regulations that follow and the syllabuses of the degree.
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Length of study

BBA(IS) 2 The curriculum shall extend over three academic years of full-time study.

BBA(IS) 3 Students who obtain the degree of BBA(IS) after three years of study may, if they so wish, undertake a fourth year of study, leading to the award of the degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Science). (See also Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Science) awarded in conjunction with the Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Information Systems))

Completion of the curriculum

BBA(IS) 4 To complete the curriculum, candidates

- (a) shall satisfy the requirements prescribed in UG 3 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula;
 - (b) shall enrol and attempt examinations in not less than 198 credits of courses, in the manner specified in the syllabuses;
 - (c) shall normally be required to satisfactorily complete the number of credits of courses in an academic year, in a manner as prescribed in the syllabuses;
 - (d) shall normally select not less than 24 and not more than 42 credits of courses in each regular semester; and not more than 78 credits in an academic year¹, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Dean of the Faculty or his designate;
 - (e) may select not more than 12 credits of courses in each summer semester², unless otherwise permitted or required by the Dean of the Faculty or his designate;
 - (f) may be required by the Dean of the Faculty or his designate to take a reduced study load if their academic progression is unsatisfactory.
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Advanced standing

BBA(IS) 5 Advanced standing may be granted to candidates in recognition of studies completed successfully in an approved institution of higher education elsewhere in accordance with UG 2 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula. Advanced credits granted shall not be included in the calculation of the Semester GPA, Cumulative GPA or taken into consideration for the honours classification of the degree to be awarded.

Selection of courses

BBA(IS) 6 Candidates shall select courses in accordance with these regulations and the manner/order specified in the syllabuses before the beginning of each semester. Changes to the selection of courses may be made during an add-drop period designated for of each semester, and such changes shall not be reflected in the transcript of the candidates. Requests for changes after the designated add-drop period of a semester shall not be considered, and candidates withdrawing from any course without permission after the designated add-drop period of a semester shall be given an F grade.

BBA(IS) 7 Candidates shall not be permitted to select a second- or third-year course for which the failed course forms a prerequisite unless permission is given by the department concerned to sit a qualifying examination in the failed course and satisfy the examiners in this.

Assessment

BBA(IS) 8 Candidates shall be assessed for each of the courses which they have registered for, and assessment may be conducted in any one or any combination of the following manners: written examinations or tests, continuous assessment of performance, laboratory work, field work, research or project reports, or in any other manner as specified in the syllabuses.

Grades

BBA(IS) 9 Grades shall be awarded in accordance with UG 5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula.

BBA(IS) 10 Candidates shall not be permitted to repeat courses for which they have received a pass grade for upgrading purposes.

Absence from examination

BBA(IS) 11 Failure to take the examination as scheduled will automatically result in course failure under normal circumstances. Candidates who are unable, because of illness or other acceptable reason, to be present at any examinations of a course, may apply for permission to present themselves for a supplementary at some other time. Failure to sit for the supplementary examination as arranged shall automatically result in course failure.

Failure in examination

BBA(IS) 12 Candidates who have failed a course will be required to retake the course again or to take another course as substitution in the case of failure in an elective course.

BBA(IS) 13 The maximum number of attempts for a particular course or requirement, including retakes and re-examinations, is three.

Unsatisfactory performance

BBA(IS) 14 Candidates shall be put on probation, in accordance with the arrangements of the Faculty, if their semester GPA is lower than 1.7 in any regular semester; and shall be recommended for discontinuation under the provisions of General Regulations G 12 if their semester GPA is lower than 1.7 for two consecutive regular semesters disregarding any summer semester or period of leave of absence in between.

Award of degree

BBA(IS) 15 To be eligible for the award of the degree of BBA(IS), candidates shall have

- (a) achieved a cumulative GPA of 1.7 or above;
 - (b) accumulated a minimum of 198 credits; and
 - (c) satisfied the requirements in UG 3 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula.
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Degree classification

BBA(IS) 16 The degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Information Systems) shall be awarded in five divisions:

First Class Honours
Second Class Honours Division One
Second Class Honours Division Two
Third Class Honours
Pass

BBA(IS) 17 The classification of honours shall be determined by the Board of Examiners at its full discretion by taking into account the overall performance of the candidates and other relevant factors as appropriate.

¹ An 'academic year' comprises two regular semesters, with dates as prescribed by the Senate each year. A 'summer semester' may be organised in addition to the two regular semesters.

² Students are normally not allowed to take summer course(s) in their final-year of study.

SYLLABUSES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (INFORMATION SYSTEMS)

These syllabuses apply to students admitted in the academic year 2009-2010 and thereafter.

1. Candidates must enrol and attempt examination in not less than 198 credits of courses in accordance with the regulations and the syllabuses.
2. To fulfill the graduation requirement of this degree in accordance with UG 3 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula, candidates must satisfactorily complete the credits of courses with an asterisk (*) beside. Candidates who cannot complete Science and Technology, Cultural and Value or broadening requirements by the end of the academic year 2009-10 shall be required to fulfill the outstanding requirement by taking a Common Core course in lieu of from the academic year 2010-11 onwards.
3. Minor (optional)
Candidates are given an option to pursue minor(s) according to criteria listed in the section of "Minor Programs Available to FBE students".
4. Candidates are required to take at least one 6-credit FBE course as prescribed in the syllabuses, with international or global content, and excluding courses for the fulfillment of Science and technology, Culture and value requirement, or any language courses. See the list of "International/ Global Content Course for FBE Students" on page 549.
5. Candidates are not permitted to enrol in courses where significant portions of the course contents overlap with each other, or where the courses are mutually exclusive. See the list of "Mutually Exclusive Course for FBE Students" on page 550.
6. Each candidate shall be required to take an Entrance English test at the commencement of studies and an Exit English test prior to graduation.

YEAR ONE

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Credits</i>
BUSI1002.	Introduction to accounting	6
BUSI1003.	Introduction to management information systems*	6
BUSI1007.	Principles of management	6
CBBA0001.	Practical Chinese language course for business, economics and finance students*	3
CSIS1117.	Computer programming I	6
CSIS1118.	Foundations of computer science	6
CSIS1122.	Computer Programming II	6
ECEN1906.	English for academic communication for business students*	3
ECEN1907.	Business communication*	3
ECON1001.	Introduction to economics I	6
xxxxx.	Core course¹	6
xxxxx.	FBE elective⁴	6

YEAR TWO

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Credits</i>
CSIS1411.	Workshop training (summer preceding Year Two)	3
BUSI1001.	Business law	6
BUSI0052.	Database development and management <i>or</i>	6
CSIS0278.	Introduction to database management systems	6
BUSI0059.	Information systems analysis and design	6
CSIS1119.	Introduction to data structures and algorithms	6

CSIS1120.	Machine organization and assembly language programming	6
BUSI1504.	Business Communication for the Technical Professions*	3
ECEN1504.	Professional and technical communication for Computer Science*	
xxxxx.	Culture and value studies*	3
xxxxx.	Core courses¹	18
xxxxx.	CS/ FBE elective⁵	12

YEAR THREE

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Credits</i>
BUSI0027.	Management accounting I	6
BUSI0060.	Information systems development and project management I	6
BUSI0061.	Information systems development and project management II	6
BUSI0073.	Data communications and networking management <i>or</i>	6
CSIS0234.	Computer and communication networks	
BUSIxxxx.	IS elective³	12
xxxxx.	FBE Electives⁴	12
CSIS0230.	Principles of operating systems	6
CSISxxxx.	CS elective²	6
xxxxx.	CS/ elective⁵	6

¹ The list of core courses is as follows:

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Credits</i>
BUSI0008.	Business cycles and strategy <i>or</i>	6
ECON1002.	Introduction to economics II	
FINA1003.	Corporate finance	6
BUSI1004.	Marketing	6
	Statistics requirement :	
STAT0302.	Business statistics <i>or</i>	6
STAT1306.	Introductory statistics	

² Any Level 2 electives offered by the Department of Computer Science.

³ Electives in Information Systems area offered by the School of Business.

⁴ Any electives offered by the Faculty of Business and Economics.

⁵ Any Level 2 electives offered by the Department of Computer Science or electives offered by the Faculty of Business and Economics. At least 12 credit-units of the courses labeled "CS/FBE elective" in Years 2, 3 and 4 must be CS electives. At least 6 credit-units of the courses labeled "CS / FBE elective" in Year 2, 3 and 4 must be IS elective.

Candidates admitted to this programme could refer to p.1296 to p.1673 for courses offered by other Faculties and Centres.