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The mission of the School of Business is to provide the opportunity for an education in the field of business that is recognized by our stakeholders for its quality. The faculty, dedicated to teaching and informed by their scholarship, prepare students to be thoughtful and responsible business professionals.

BUSINESS EDUCATION

Faculty

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Departmental Overview

The graduate program in business education serves both experienced business education teachers and students who wish to complete teacher certification requirements in business education.

Note: Course offerings are dependent on enrollment. Master's courses are generally offered once every two years.

Programs

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM IN BUSINESS EDUCATION

The objective of graduate certification in business education is to certify individuals to teach business education subjects in Connecticut's public junior and senior high schools. Candidates plan business education certification programs with advisors from the School of Education and the Management Information Systems Department. Certification requirements include the following:

- Undergraduate degree in a business major or equivalent academic background
- Courses required by the School of Education and Professional Studies

- A minimum of 12 credits in business education, including:
 - BE 410 Office Education Methods
 - BE 450 Office Systems Application Software and Records Management
 - BE 524 Organization and Administration of Business and Marketing Education
 - BE 530 Teaching Accounting, Basic Business, and Marketing Education

- Additional business courses based on content and recency of previous academic work as assigned by advisor

- Other Requirements:
 - Successful completion of Keyboarding Proficiency Examination
 - WP 204 Introduction to Word Processing or equivalent
 - 500 hours of office work experience within five years immediately preceding program completion.

Please visit www.ccsu.edu/grad/FAQ_BusinessEd.html and www.ccsu.edu/grad/Additional_Material/business_edu_certification.htm for more details.

MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN BUSINESS EDUCATION

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Students in the program are expected to:
- demonstrate knowledge of current trends and issues in business and education and apply them to business teacher education;
 - create and develop curriculum related to the ever-changing needs related to high school business education; and
 - understand the research process in business education and be able to create a problem statement and hypothesis and to outline a completed topic.

Course and Capstone Requirements (30 credits):

A thesis option (Plan A) and a comprehensive examination option (Plan B) are available.

Requirements for business education teacher certification must be completed before a student may matriculate into a master's or post-master's degree program.

General Education (0–9 credits):
 Electives other than from Business Education as approved by faculty advisor

Professional Education (6–9 credits):
 One of the following:
 EDF 500 Contemporary Educational Issues
 EDF 516 School and Society
 EDF 524 Foundations of Contemporary Theories of Curriculum
 EDF 525 History of American Education
 EDF 538 The Politics of Education
 EDF 583 Sociological Foundations of Education
 and
 SPED graduate course as approved by advisor
 Elective as approved by advisor

Business Education Specialization (15–21 credits):
 BE 501 Current Problems in Business Education
 BE 598 Research in Business Education
 Electives as approved by faculty advisor

Thesis (Plan A only, 3 credits):
 BE 599 Thesis

Note: No more than six credits at the 400 level, as approved by the graduate advisor, may be counted toward the graduate planned program of study.