Associate in Science in Business

Overview

The mission of the Associate in Science in Business (ASB) degree, offered through USC Lancaster, a regional campus of the University of South Carolina, is to provide educational opportunities that will prepare students for careers in business and industry as well as giving options which can be chosen to meet the preliminary requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership (BOL) through Palmetto college, or for ~~meet the preliminary requirements that transfer into~~ the ~~four-year~~ Integrated Information Technology Program (iIT) offered at the University of South Carolina Columbia, or for a baccalaureate business program.~~.~~

Students completing the Associate in Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will achieve a foundational understanding of business practices, financial and economic concerns, and information technologies for the workplace. In the process of acquiring this knowledge, they will develop the fundamental skills, knowledge, and capacity for critical thought necessary to pursue further learning, to succeed in their chosen career fields, and to assume the responsibilities of informed and enlightened citizenship in their communities and in the wider society.

Learning Outcomes

Students who graduate with an ASB degree should demonstrate…

- Accounting and Financial Skills: Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to perform the basic functions of business financial operations, such as interpreting basic financial statements and reconciling accounts.

- Knowledge of Basic Legal Concepts: Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to describe basic legal concepts and the judicial system, with emphasis on business law.

- Management Skills: Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to apply basic management theories to reach appropriate business decisions.

- Effective Communication: Students completing the Associate of Science in Business degree program at USC Lancaster will be able to communicate effectively for a business environment.