TRANSFER GUIDE Catalog Years: 2025-2027

Virginia Commonwealth University Bachelor of Science in Information Systems Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Business

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

	Complete at VCCS		Complete at VCU			
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		SATISFIED BY		BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 101	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills or SDV 101 Orientation to _		MATH 211	3	Take in first semester at VCU.
UNIV 111-112	3	ENG 111 College Comp I	UNIV 111 is waived and students receive 3 credits for UNIV 112.	INFO 300	3	
UNIV 200	3	ENG 112 College Comp II		INFO 320	3	
General Education	3	Any UCGS Art, Humanities or Literature course (Block II)		INFO 350	3	
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General Education	3	Any UCGS History course (Block VI)		INFO 364	3	
ECON 211	3	ECO 201 Macroeconomics		INFO 370	3	
General Education	4	Any UCGS Natural Science (Block IV)		INFO 465	3	
MATH 141	3-4	MTH 161 Precalculus I		Major electives (select 3)	9	See VCU advisor for course options.
ECON 210	3	ECO 202 Microeconomics		BUSN 301	1	
BUSN 225	3	CST 100 Public Speaking or CST 110 Human Communication		BUSN 499	0	Business Knowledge Capstone Exam

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ACCT 203	3	ACC 211 Accounting I		FIRE 311	3	
ACCT 204	3	ACC 212 Accounting II		INFO 360	3	
BUSN 201	3	BUS 100 Intro to Business		MGMT 303	3	
SCMA 301	3	BUS 224 Business Statistics		MGMT 310	3	
BUSN 323	3	BUS 240 Business Law		MGMT 434	3	
BUSN 212	3	MTH 261 Applied Calculus		MKTG 301	3	
Electives	6	Select 2 courses listed below: ITE 140 Spreadsheeting for Business (recommended) BUS 200 Principles of Management BUS 270 Interpersonal Dynamics BUS 274 Intro to Entrepreneurship BUS 280 International Business MKT 201 Introduction to Marketing BUS 227 Business Analytics		SCMA 320	3	
INFO 202	3-4	Select one: ITP 120, ITP 136 (CSC 222 can also be used to substitute for INFO 202).	INFO 202 is the prerequisite for upper-level INFO classes at VCU and will need to be taken in the first semester at VCU if not taken at community college.	Open electives	5	
Elective	1	Any approved transfer elective(s).	Select any additional course(s) from UCGS.			
	CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: (60	CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60			

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

This degree program is covered by VCU's Guaranteed Admission Agreement.

By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admission to the BS in Information Systems program at VCU:

- Earn the transfer associate degree in business.
- Earn a minimum GPA of 2.5 for your associate degree. VCU will recognize the cumulative GPA as recorded on the VCCS transcript and not recalculate based on multiple course attempts.
- Complete a minimum of 30 credits at VCCS institution
- Earn grades of "C" or higher in all community college courses.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- University Transfer Center: https://transfer.vcu.edu/.
- Register Intent to Transfer: https://ugradadmissions.vcu.edu/register/letterofinterest.
- Admission Application: By March 15 for fall admission and November 1 for spring at https://www.vcu.edu/admissions/apply/.
- Financial Aid: https://semss.vcu.edu/our-services/financial-resources-and-guidance/.
- FAFSA Free Application for Federal Student Aid: March 1 for fall semester at https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa.

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Complete your English courses and any math prerequisites in your first year.
- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at www.TransferVirginia.org.
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and the VCU Transfer Center within your first semester through your account at www.TransferVirginia.org.

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

The B.S. in information systems provides students with expertise in fundamental and specialized areas of information systems. These areas include data analytics, systems analysis and design, project management, computer programing, cyber ethics, networking and web development. There are diverse career opportunities in the field, including: business systems analyst, data analyst, application and systems developer, and IT project manager. Employers range from multinational companies such as Amazon, to small and medium-sized organizations employing fewer than five people. From public sector employers, such as government agencies and institutions of higher education to private sector organizations, such as consulting firms and telecommunications companies, IS students have a plethora of employment options.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- Associate Transfer Degree Completion: The completion of a transfer associate degree results in all lower-division general education requirements being met when you transfer to VCU.
- Dual Enrollment Completion of Associate Degree in HS: The completion of an associate
 degree concurrent with high school results in 60 credits of coursework applied towards your
 degree and VCU's general education courses will be satisfied. High school students must apply
 to VCU as freshman applicants for orientation and engagement purposes.
- Credit for Prior Learning: VCU accepts AP, IB, Cambridge, CLEP, DANTES, and military credits.
- Catalog Year: VCU will honor the degree requirements of the VCU Undergraduate Bulletin in effect at the time of the student's first post-high school enrollment into an appropriate associate degree at the two-year institution. Students must stay enrolled at their community college and take no more than four years to complete their associate degree. Students must also enroll at VCU within one year of completing their associate degree.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Located in downtown Richmond, within two hours of the beach, the mountains and Washington DC, VCU provides top-ranked academic programs, research opportunities and an urban setting so students can live and learn in the real world.
- VCU is a large, public research institution dedicated to the success and well-being of students and the Richmond community.
- Diversity, inclusion and equity are deeply ingrained core values at VCU. If you are looking to connect with a broad range of people, come join us!.

Learn more about our college at www.TransferVirginia.org.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your associate transfer degree satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the likelihood you will complete your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college could exhaust your financial aid there and reduce your future financial aid at VCU?

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at www.TransferVirginia.org.

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

The VCU Information Systems department is one of only a few departments in the country to be accredited by both the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) and the

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET). Through student organizations such as the Information Systems Organization, students can network with peers and take advantage of the Department's close ties to the business community. The department also has its own servers, running Apache Hadoop (R) and Cloudera.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

• If you apply through general application instead of through the Guaranteed Program Admission Agreement, you will be considered for admission with all other transfer applicants.

Learn more about applying at www.TransferVirginia.org.

DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

The accelerated B.S. and M.S. program allows qualified students to earn both the B.S. and M.S. in Information Systems in a minimum of five years by completing approved graduate courses during the senior year of their undergraduate program.

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

All students must complete at least one VCU "REAL" experiential learning activity in order to
graduate from VCU. Examples of REAL activities include: internships, research, and service
learning. This requirement may be satisfied by completing a 300-level (or higher) REAL course
or through an approved REAL co-curricular experience.

Learn more at https://real.vcu.edu/.