

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Quarter Credit Hours Required = 96



Today, office professionals assume many of the responsibilities formerly handled by managerial and professional personnel, in addition to supporting executive staff. While phone and keyboard skills continue to be essential to the positions, office professionals may find training, research, meeting planning, file and project management, and travel and calendar coordination added to their responsibilities. Proficiency in using scanners, creating presentations, developing data bases, designing newsletters, setting up telephone and web conferences, and creating spreadsheets is also expected.

With the Office Administration degree, students can confidently compete in virtually all types of organizations for office positions such as administrative assistant, customer service representative, executive secretary, data entry specialist, computer support assistant, word processor, office manager, and more. In addition, student professionalism, skill development, and software proficiency are enhanced through preparation for testing for the Microsoft MCAS Office 2007 certification. Students will experience real-life work scenarios, deadline pressure, and communication challenges involving critical thinking, decision making, and team coordination.

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to

- demonstrate practical proficiency in the use and application of current computer hardware and software;
- communicate effectively through written, oral, and visual delivery in a manner appropriate for an office setting;
- exhibit critical-thinking, analytical, problem-solving, and decision-making skills;
- demonstrate ability to develop, organize, edit, and publish a variety of office documents;
- demonstrate an ability to collect, analyze, and logically document information;
- show an ability to read and interpret instructions and material pertinent to understanding a task or project; and
- coordinate a successful job search.

FOUNDATION:

Quarter Credit Hours

EDU 1010	Learning Framework	4
EDU 1020	Career Exploration/Planning	4
Total Minimum Required Foundation Credits		8

AREA OF CONCENTRATION:

AOM 1010	Keyboarding	4
AOM 1020	Intermediate Keyboarding	4
AOM 1100	Word Processing	4
AOM 1110	Intermediate Word Processing	4
AOM 1200	Spreadsheets	4
AOM 1300	Database Management	4
AOM 1400	Presentations	4
AOM 2120	Desktop Publishing	4
AOM 2230	Intermediate Spreadsheets	4
AOM 3000	Administrative Office Management Capstone	4
BUS 1000	Introduction to Business	4
BUS 1100	Business Communication	4
BUS 2750	Workplace Ethics and Expectations	4
BUS 2760	Personnel Management	4
Total Minimum Required Area of Concentration Credits		56

AREA OF CONCENTRATION ELECTIVES:

A minimum of 8 credit hours are to be selected in consultation with the Program Director from approved office administration courses offered at Virginia College or transferred from another accredited institution.

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GENERAL EDUCATION:

These courses are to be selected in consultation with the Program Director so as to effectuate a balanced educational program. Select a total (minimum) of 24 credit hours as indicated below:

Communications	12
Humanities and Fine Arts	4
Mathematics	4
Social and Behavioral Sciences	4
Total Minimum Required General Education Credits	24

TOTAL MINIMUM QUARTER CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED	96
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