# **Business Assistant: Business and Information Specialist**

## **Career Pathways Certificate**

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## **About the Program**

The Business and Information Specialist Career Pathway two-term certificate prepares students for entry-level office positions requiring "soft skills" in dealing with clients, customers, vendors and the public, as well as filing, records management, computer applications, and basic written communication duties. Courses included in this pathway can be applied toward completion of the one-year Business Assistant certificate and the Associate of Applied Science in Business Technology degree.

The U.S. Department of Education requires disclosure of specific information about career and technical certificate programs to prospective students. Data includes Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) codes, graduation rates, tuition and fees, typical costs for books and supplies, job placement rates for students completing the programs, and median loan debt incurred by students completing the programs. For more information visit www.roguecc.edu/GainfulEmployment.

## **Program Learning Outcomes**

The curriculum in RCC courses is derived from a set of identified learning outcomes that are relevant to the discipline. Program learning outcomes for business programs are:

Business Ethics: Demonstrate knowledge of ethical, legal, and socially responsible business behavior, while maintaining high levels of personal and professional integrity in today's rapidly changing multi-cultural, team-oriented business environment.

Communication/Information Literacy: Develop and deliver professional oral and written communications (using technology) that are appropriate to the topic, audience, and situation.

Critical Evaluation/Decision Making: Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills by identifying, understanding, and applying basic theories, terminology, and practices related to each functional area of business.

Interpersonal Skills: Develop the interpersonal ("soft") skills necessary to build and maintain effective working relationships with internal and external business stakeholders.

## **Entry Requirements**

Students are required to complete the Placement Process to determine skill level and readiness in math, reading, and writing. As part of their training program, students must begin with the courses within their skill level as determined by the results of their placement assessment. In addition, students may also be required to enroll in classes that would increase their employability and success.

## **Advanced Standing**

Coursework from accredited colleges and universities will be accepted in accordance with college policies and the Business Technology Department chair's approval. In order to ensure that coursework is current, program courses over 10 years old must be reviewed and approved by the appropriate department chair before being accepted toward core requirements. Students must complete coursework in their major at a "C" or better level before proceeding to advanced coursework. High school College Now credit will be accepted in accordance with the current articulation agreement.

Credits earned in the successful completion of Career Pathways Certificates can be applied to other certificates and degrees in the Career Pathway. For more information, speak to a program adviser and review the roadmap at www.roguecc.edu/Programs/CareerPathways.

#### Customer Service — Career Pathways Certificate (29 credits)

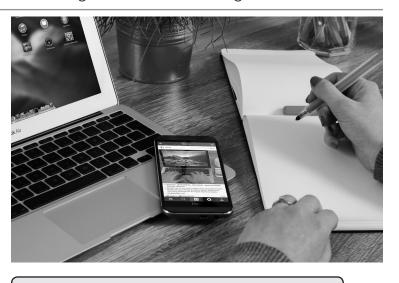
- Cashier <sup>1</sup>
- Customer service representative <sup>1</sup>

### Retail Sales and Service — Career Pathways Certificate (32 credits)

- Counter and rental clerk <sup>1</sup>
- Retail salesperson <sup>1</sup>
- Stock clerk and order filler <sup>1</sup>

#### Business and Information Specialist — Career Pathways Certificate (31 credits)

- Call center operator <sup>1</sup>
- File clerk <sup>1</sup>
- General office clerk <sup>1</sup>
- Office machine operator <sup>1</sup>
- Receptionist and information clerk <sup>1</sup>



#### Small Business Management — Career Pathways Certificate (40 credits)

- Small business manager 1
- Retail sales supervisor 1

#### Business Assistant, Certificate of Completion (50-54 credits), Assistant Manager Specialty Track

- Supervisor 1
- Retail manager <sup>1</sup>
- Assistant manager <sup>1</sup>

### **Administrative Support Specialty Track**

- Human resources assistant
- Office and Administrative support worker <sup>1</sup>
- Secretary <sup>1</sup>
- Telemarketer <sup>1</sup>

#### Accounting Assistant Specialty Track

- Accountant/bookkeeper 1
- Payroll and time keeper clerk <sup>1</sup>

#### Business Technology, Associate of Applied Science (AAS) (91-95 credits)

- Department manager 1
- Office manager <sup>1</sup>

# **Completion Requirements**

Students must complete all courses in this program with a grade of "C" or better to receive their pathways certificate. Certain prerequisite courses are graded on a pass/no pass basis only. A grade of "P" for these courses indicates a student earned the equivalent of a "C" or better grade.

### What skills will you learn?

Visit http://go.roguecc.edu/department/program-learning-outcomes.

# What are the employment opportunities?

Visit http://www.roguecc.edu/GainfulEmployment.

#### **Prerequisites**

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
CS	Approved 3-4 credit computer science class, CS120 or above	
	or documented computer proficiency	0-4
MTH20	Pre-algebra or designated placement test score	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For current wage and gainful employment data, see the Jobs & Wages box within the specific program road-map at www.roguecc.edu/CareerPathways/.

RD90/WR90 College Reading/Fundamentals of Composition or

WR91 Fundamentals of Academic Literacy (WR91 substitutes for

both RD90 and WR90) or designated placement test score

## Total Prerequisite Credits

<u>0-8</u> **0-16** 

## **Required Core Courses**

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
BA131	Introduction to Business Computing	4
BA285	Advanced Business Applications: Excel <sup>1</sup>	4
BT101	Human Relations in Organizations	3
BT111	Conflict Management	2
BT113	Business English I <sup>2</sup>	4
BT114	Business English II <sup>2</sup>	4
BT160	Business Math	4
BT178	Customer Service	3
CS125WW	Word Processing Applications	3
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS		31

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Students who have successfully completed the 3-credit version of CS125ss Spreadsheet Applications will have met the requirement, but will need at least 31 applicable business credits to receive this certificate.

For more information contact the Business Technology Department:

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Web address	www.roguecc.edu/business
TTY	Oregon Telecom Relay Service, 711

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 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Students who have successfully completed the 3-credit versions of BT113 and BT114 will have met the requirements, but will need at least 31 applicable business credits to receive this certificate.