# MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS - ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION (CC1)

## Description

The Marketing Communications One-Year Certificate provides students skills to research target consumer preferences to create a branding strategy and promotional content for electronic and traditional marketing media channels. All coursework may be applied to the Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration.

## **Program Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the program, students will be able to:

- 1. Apply effective written and verbal communication skills individually and in groups.
- 2. Apply analytical, technology, and reasoning skills relevant to the profession.
- 3. Apply appropriate ethical choices on both a professional and personal level.
- 4. Utilize market segmentation tactics and customer behavior principles to develop product, price, place, and promotion strategies.
- 5. Evaluate current advertising tools and online communication channel options as potential elements of a promotion strategy that reinforces a company's brand.

# **Entrance Requirements**

#### Academic Entrance Requirements

Recommended:

- High School diploma or GED
- Completion of WR 065 Rhetoric and Critical Thinking II or higher or minimum placement Wr/Comm Level 7
- Completion of MTH 060 Beginning Algebra or higher or minimum placement Math Level 10
- Work experience providing an understanding of general business functions or completion of BA 101 Introduction to Business

## **Course Requirements**

Course	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
BA 104	Business Math	3
BA 178	Customer Service	3
BA 214	Business Communications	3
BA 223	Marketing Principles I	4
BA 232	Branding	4
BA 233	Internet Marketing	4
or BA 239	Advertising	
BA 237	Marketing Research	4
BA 261	Consumer Behavior	4
CIS 120	Computer Concepts (or Computer Competency Test)	/ 0-4
CIS 131	Software Applications	4
CIS 178	Internet in Depth	4
LIB 100	Introduction to Finding Information	1

WR 121 Academic Composition 4	Total Credits		42-46
	WR 121	Academic Composition	4

## **Advising Notes**

Students should consult their advisor if they have transfer credits, are not able to attend full time, or are not at college level in reading, writing, and/ or math.

The certificate is designed for students planning to enter their chosen career upon graduation. Often only selected credits are considered transferable to public or private baccalaureate institutions.

## **Performance Standards**

- Academic Requirements:
  - Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA to earn a COCC certificate or degree.
  - All courses in the program must be completed with a grade of C or higher.
- · Additional Requirements:
  - Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and can result in the offending student being dropped from the program. Students wishing reinstatement must seek endorsement from the department chair after completing a progressive review.

# Sample Plan

First Year		
Fall		Credits
BA 104	Business Math	3
BA 223	Marketing Principles I	4
CIS 120	Computer Concepts (or Computer Competency Test)	0-4
LIB 100	Introduction to Finding Information	1
WR 121	Academic Composition	4
	Credits	12-16
Winter		
BA 232	Branding	4
BA 237	Marketing Research	4
BA 261	Consumer Behavior	4
CIS 178	Internet in Depth	4
	Credits	16
Spring		
BA 178	Customer Service	3
BA 214	<b>Business Communications</b>	3
BA 233 or BA 239	Internet Marketing or Advertising	4
CIS 131	Software Applications	4
	Credits	14
	Total Credits	42-46