

Rocky Mountain College

BSA 450 – Business Internship

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Course Description

The purpose of this course is to allow students to apply concepts from their field of study to a work-place situation. The internship experience includes two primary components: 1) hours worked at the internship site, and 2) the student's ability to demonstrate their understanding of the relationship between academic concepts and a work-place setting. Note: Three, and only three, credits must be taken and passed to satisfy the major requirement for business.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of BSA 450, students will be able to:

- ✓ Demonstrate effective problem solving and critical thinking
- ✓ Describe the connection between coursework and the internship experience
- ✓ Demonstrate professional skill in the discipline(s) associated with the internship
- ✓ Practice professional habits and engage in professional behavior
- ✓ Practice effective oral and written communication

Course Structure

The structure of the course is described below:

1. Students will work a pre-determined number of hours in the work place. The work-place supervisor will verify these hours.
2. Objectives will be set and the work-place supervisor will monitor progress. The work-place supervisor will evaluate the student.
3. A formal presentation will be given by each student on a topic to be approved by me. Although the topic is not determined for you, it should demonstrate your understanding of academic concepts and the work-place setting. Times and locations for presentations will be determined later in the semester.

4. Students registering for more than three academic credits will need to complete the above requirements and will complete additional requirements. See me for a list of additional requirements.

Grading

Internships are graded on a Pass/Fail basis. In order to **pass** the internship, the following minimum requirements must be met:

1. The time commitment must be met and verified by your employer.
2. You must receive no more than one 'poor' rating on the final employer evaluation of student objectives.
3. You must receive an average of 2 or higher on the final employer evaluation of general skills.
4. You must receive no less than a score of 70% on your paper and/or presentation.
5. All requirements need to be completed by the first day of final exams.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.