

# COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, INDUSTRY, LIFE SCIENCE AND AGRICULTURE

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## SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS

- School of Agriculture (<https://catalog.uwplatt.edu/undergraduate/business-industry-life-science-agriculture/agriculture/>)
- School of Business (<https://catalog.uwplatt.edu/undergraduate/business-industry-life-science-agriculture/business/>)
- Department of Applied Engineering Technology Management (<https://catalog.uwplatt.edu/undergraduate/business-industry-life-science-agriculture/applied-engineering-technology-management/>)
- Department of Biology (<https://catalog.uwplatt.edu/undergraduate/business-industry-life-science-agriculture/biology/>)

The College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture (BILSA) offers degree programs in agriculture, biology, business and accounting, and applied engineering technology management. With its emphasis on both theoretical and applied knowledge, the college is committed to educational excellence within a diverse learning community. As a resource center, BILSA promotes cooperative interactions with organizations in the public and private sectors.

Our faculty believe in assisting students to become lifelong learners, develop clear thinking and possess a healthy curiosity. Students are encouraged to diligently pursue intellectually stimulating activities beyond those typically taught in the academic classroom. Courses in humanities, communications, sciences and mathematics are required of all majors to help prepare them to enter a rapidly changing and increasingly international workforce. Required core courses in each major ensure the breadth of technical, analytical, scientific and business knowledge and skills necessary for future success. Finally, students' upper-level study in majors, minors or emphasis areas provides in-depth study in a particular field of specialization.

## PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

The College of BILSA provides professional programs (<https://catalog.uwplatt.edu/undergraduate/pre-professional-special-programs/pre-professional/>) of study for students seeking to enter careers in a wide variety of fields. Demand for graduates of all programs offered within the college is exceptional. People who graduate from the college can seek careers with both private and public entities, and are able to pursue continued education in graduate or professional programs.

## INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Programs within the college offer the opportunity for internships, which are supervised, applied experiences related to the program of study. Students can earn academic credits while earning a salary in these programs. Many opportunities exist for this experience. Faculty work closely to assist students in gaining the best experience which will enhance employment opportunities upon graduation. Employers speak very highly of the college's internship program.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The college strongly believes that students should have an opportunity to participate in a wide variety of activities associated with their major studies. Over 30 student clubs and organizations are available within the college to allow students to gain experiences within their area of interest. These organizations work cooperatively with the departments/schools to incorporate activities which will broaden the students' educational experiences.

## EDUCATION ABROAD

There are a variety of study abroad programs that can fulfill BILSA major and minor requirements as well as general education credits and electives. Programs specific to BILSA majors are in Spain, the Netherlands, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, China, England, Germany, Korea, Thailand, and Ireland. However, there are hundreds of other programs in over 50 countries that will take care of social science and humanities requirements such as our programs in Fiji, Costa Rica, Scotland, the Czech Republic, and France. You can also complete an internship abroad specific to your major to gain practical experience in an international setting.

## ONLINE LEARNING

BILSA offers multiple online programs in business administration for students who are unable to study on campus. Each of the programs allow students to obtain the same degree as their campus counterparts without leaving their geographic location. Programs are offered at the associate, bachelors, and masters levels within the School of Business.

For more information about these programs, refer to the UW-Platteville School of Business.