About

The College of Business was founded in 1953. Our business degree programs are accredited by AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Our accountancy program is one of a select group with additional AACSB accreditation. Our equine industry program is the only one in the world housed in an AACSB accredited college. Our Global MBA, offered in partnership with Akademie Wuerth Business School in Germany, is accredited by the Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA).

Louisville is a great place to study business, because it’s where most business in Kentucky happens. Our students, graduates and faculty interact with businesses in Louisville, elsewhere in Kentucky and the United States, as well as in Europe, Asia-Pacific and Central America—all regions where we have graduates. Our Louisville campus includes students from more than 100 countries, almost all 50 states and all 120 Kentucky counties.

Each year we serve approximately 1900 undergraduate students and 300 graduate students with about 80 full-time faculty. We are nationally recognized as a metropolitan research institution and the leading entrepreneurial business college in the region.

We educate future corporate, public and non-profit sector leaders, and entrepreneurs determined to start their own business or help re-invent an existing corporation. Many of our graduates stay in this region and help it prosper; others are spread across the nation and the world.

Our students have access to a great variety of grants, scholarships and financial aid, including scholarships for international travel.

To enhance teaching and learning, our students and faculty also have access to highly sophisticated university-based telecommunications and computer information systems.

College of Business Administration

The complete and up-to-date organizational chart for the college (http://business.louisville.edu/wpprod/images/COBorgJanuary-2018.pdf) is located on the Business website.

Faculty and Departmental Information

The complete and up-to-date list of departments and faculty (http://business.louisville.edu/faculty-and-staff-directory) is located on the Business website.

Academic Forgiveness & Fresh Start

Academic Forgiveness and Fresh Start policies allow students to request the adjustment of their records for one or more entire semesters of previous college work, provided certain criteria are met. Students should see the Academic Forgiveness and the Fresh Start (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/university-wide-unit-specific-policies/fresh-start) policy.

Student Academic Rights and Responsibilities

Every student is expected to be thoroughly familiar with the University’s Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities and Student Conduct (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/university-academic-policies/student-records).

Every student is responsible for reading the academic policies in the Undergraduate Catalog and official announcements of the College of Business and for abiding by such regulations. Specifically, every
student is responsible for knowing the grade point averages and program
requirements needed for graduation. Students are encouraged to see a
COB academic advisor to clarify any questions or concerns.

Along with preparing for and attending class, each student has the
responsibility to promote high academic standards. Students are
expected to cooperate in all classes with faculty members to achieve an
optimal learning environment. Inappropriate classroom behavior may
result in the student being withdrawn from the course, and potentially
assigned academic penalties. Inappropriate classroom behavior will be
dealt with in the same manner as academic dishonesty.

Academic Dishonesty
The COB has a strong policy of academic discipline for action against
students who commit academic dishonesty or conduct themselves
inappropriately in the classroom. A proven case of academic dishonesty
will normally result in the student being denied admission to or dismissed
from the COB.

Academic dishonesty is defined by the Code of Student Conduct.
Its definition pertains to but is not limited to cheating, fabrication,
falsification, multiple submission, plagiarism, and complicity. It is the
student’s responsibility to maintain high standards of ethical conduct,
and intellectual integrity and to be familiar with the definition of academic
dishonesty.

As evidence of the seriousness with which the COB regards these
matters, academic dishonesty allegations are handled in accordance with
COB Procedures for Dealing with Academic Dishonesty.

Procedures for Dealing with Academic Dishonesty

1. When an academically dishonest event is discovered, it is the
faculty member’s responsibility to determine the appropriate
course of action, the associated academic penalty, and
to inform the student in a timely fashion of the academic
dishonesty allegation. It is the faculty member’s responsibility
to determine the academic penalty and if an informal or a
formal course of action is required. Academic penalties are
imposed by the faculty member. The severity of academic
penalty is commensurate with the academically dishonest
event, and include penalties such as:
   a. Resubmission of an alternative assignment or test
   b. F grade on the assignment/test
   c. F for the course grade
2. In cases where an academically dishonest event is deemed
inadvertent or inconsequential, the faculty member may choose
to resolve the academically dishonest event informally with the
student. The informal discourse between the faculty member
and the student should address the seriousness in how the COB
views academic dishonesty, inform the student that it is their
responsibility to know what constitutes academic dishonesty,
and inform the student that any future academic dishonesty
will not be tolerated. Academic penalties in this case should not
have a material impact on the student’s final grade in the class.
3. In cases where an academically dishonest event requires
a material academic penalty, such as assigning an F for a
major assignment/test, the faculty member may resolve the
matter directly with the student. In this case within a timely
and reasonable period, the faculty member must inform the
student of the academic dishonesty allegation and present to
the student a letter stating the allegation, documenting any
associated evidence, and detailing the academic penalty. The
faculty member must inform the student that the letter will be
placed on permanent file in the COB’s Dean’s Office, and
that any subsequent academic dishonesty will likely result in
administrative penalties, (see 4f). If the student agrees to the
terms of the letter as evidenced by the student’s signature on
the letter, the faculty member shall forward a copy of the letter
to the Department Chair. The Department Chair shall deliver the
letter to the Dean’s Office and review the academic dishonesty
file to determine if the student has committed any previous
acts that may require further administrative penalties. The
Department Chair shall report to the Dean of the COB if further
action is needed.

4. When procedures outlined in the preceding paragraph are
inappropriate, insufficient or unacceptable to either the faculty
member or the student the following formal procedures provide
due process.
   a. Except under extraordinary circumstances, within ten
school days of informing the student of the alleged
academic dishonesty event, the faculty member will prepare
a written statement that describes and documents the
academic dishonesty allegation. The statement must
include all supporting evidence, and the faculty member’s
recommended academic penalties. The faculty member’s
statement is to be submitted to the Faculty Co-Chair of the
Undergraduate Studies Committee, (hereafter referred to as
Co-Chair).
   b. Except under extraordinary circumstances, within fifteen
school days of receiving the faculty member’s statement,
the Co-chair will provide to the student through registered
mail a letter detailing the academic dishonesty allegation.
This correspondence will include notice that a hearing
to investigate the academic dishonesty allegation is to
be scheduled at the earliest possible convenience for all
persons involved.
   c. The hearing will be organized and administered by the Co-
chair. The Co-chair will appoint a hearing committee, which
will consist of the Co-chair plus two COB faculty members
that are currently serving on the Undergraduate Studies
Committee. The student may be assisted at the hearing by
an academic student advisor of his/her choosing. A request
for student advisor assistance must be made through
written communication to the Co-chair.
   d. The student may waive the right to the hearing by admitting
to the charge of academic dishonesty in a signed written
statement delivered to the Co-chair of the Undergraduate
Studies Committee prior to the date of the hearing.
   e. At the hearing, the faculty member and the student will
each be provided an opportunity to present oral testimony,
written evidence, and any other evidence. The burden of
establishing the student’s guilt is the responsibility of the
faculty member making the allegation.
   f. Except under extraordinary circumstances, within fifteen
school days of the hearing, the hearing committee will
render a decision on the academic dishonesty allegation
and produce a written report of its findings. The Co-chair
will notify the student and faculty member in writing of
the hearing committee’s findings. If the student is found
to be guilty of the allegation, academic penalties will be
imposed, and if appropriate, administrative penalties will
be recommended. The hearing committee’s decisions
on academic penalties are final. All guilty findings will be placed on file under academic dishonesty events with the COB Dean's Office. In the case of a guilty finding the Co-chair will review the file of academic dishonesty events to determine if this is a first or a repeat offense. A repeat offense will likely result in a recommendation for administrative penalties. Administrative penalties in the case of suspension or expulsion from the COB are imposed by the Dean of the COB, or by the Provost in the case of suspension or expulsion from the University.

g. In the case of recommended administrative penalties, the Dean of the COB shall review the hearing committee’s report and issue a decision regarding imposing COB administrative penalties and whether any University-wide penalties will be recommended to the Provost. Except under extraordinary circumstances, within 15 school days of receiving the hearing committee’s report, the Dean of the COB shall notify the student, the faculty member originating the academic dishonesty allegation, and the Co-chair of the hearing committee of its decision. The Dean of the COB shall forward any recommended University-wide penalties to the Provost.

h. If the student fails to appear before the hearing committee, the hearing will be held in the student’s absence and a final decision rendered. If the faculty member making the allegation of academic dishonesty fails to appear, the charges will be dropped. Unforeseen and uncontrollable events that prevent an individual’s appearance at the hearing will be considered prior to making a final decision.

i. In the case where multiple students are involved with the academic dishonesty allegation, each student will be dealt with individually, but the composition of the hearing committee will remain the same for all students involved with the alleged event. j. Any student who believes the processing or final disposition of a charge of academic dishonesty was unfair may initiate a grievance under the Academic Grievance Procedure as defined in the Academic Policies and Procedures of the Undergraduate Catalog.

Student Grievances

Students who wish to pursue grievances of any kind may consult with the Student Grievance Officer or the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs in the College of Business who will apprise the student of the policies and procedures regarding grievances. Detailed information on how to submit and pursue a grievance can be found on the Dean of Students website (http://louisville.edu/dos/help/studentgrievance).

Undergraduate Programs

A
- Accounting (CAC) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/certificates/accounting-cac)

B
- Business Administration (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/business-administration-minor)
- Business Administration in Accountancy (BSBA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/business-administration-accountancy-bsb)

C
- Computer Information Systems (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/computer-information-systems-minor)

E
- Economics (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/economics-ba)
- Economics (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/economics-minor)
- Entrepreneurship (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/entrepreneurship-minor)
- Equine Business (CEA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/certificates/equine-business-cea)
- Equine Business (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/equine-business-minor)

F
- Finance (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/finance-minor)

I
- International Business (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/international-business-minor)

M
- Management (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/management-minor)
- Marketing (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/marketing-minor)

P
- Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/ppe-minor)