



# College of Business

## Updates for Fall 2017

### Questions?

Send us an email or give us a call!

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact us. Email is often the most efficient means of communication. Please contact your advisor or use contact information below:

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**Dates to Remember**

Apr 1	Fall Semester Registration Begins
Jun 30	Fall Graduation Audits Emailed
Jul 21	Deadline to Apply for Summer Graduation
Jul 25	Last Day to Withdraw from Summer Classes
Aug 5	Summer Graduation
Aug 20	Fall Registration Ends. Payment Due
Aug 21	Fall Semester Begins
Aug 21	First Day to Apply for Fall Graduation
Aug 21-28	Late Registration and Drop/Add
Aug 28	Last Day to Receive 100% Refund
Oct 1	Spring Schedule Available to View Online
Nov 1	Spring Semester Registration Begins
Nov 17	Last Day to Apply for Fall Graduation
Dec 1	Last Day to Withdraw from Fall Classes
Dec 9	Fall Graduation



**New Minors (2017-18):**

**Accounting Minor**

Where money is involved, so is accounting. The minor is intended to provide a solid foundation of the essential accounting concepts that can contribute to financial success, both personally and professionally. The minor would require students to choose an elective, which will allow them to get specialty knowledge in an area that would be most beneficial to their chosen field. This minor is not open to Accounting Majors. Check Catalog for possible prerequisites. For more information regarding this minor, contact Stacie Hughes ([Stacie.Hughes@athens.edu](mailto:Stacie.Hughes@athens.edu)).

**Forensic Accounting Minor**

The field of accounting is growing at a steady rate and it is forecasted that forensic accountants will be in even higher demand than other accounting careers. The reason for the increased demand in the field of forensic accounting is due to the increase in both white collar crimes and the regulations put in place to prevent those crimes. The minor would serve to prepare students for the major professional certifications in forensics: Certified in Financial Forensics (CFF), Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), and Forensic Certified Public Accountant (FCPA). For more information regarding this minor, contact Stacie Hughes ([Stacie.Hughes@athens.edu](mailto:Stacie.Hughes@athens.edu)).

**PLEASE BE AWARE:**

**Many courses (especially in minors) are only offered in certain semesters. Consult with your advisor or at the College of Business portion of the Athens State website for more information on when certain classes are offered. This will help you stay on track to finish in a timely manner.**

**If you have questions regarding what you see in your Degree Works plan, please contact your advisor right away before taking any classes you may not need.**

**New Courses (2017-18):**

**AC 305 Fundamentals of Accounting I**

This course replaces AC 300 Fundamentals of Accounting for those students who need to take the pre-requisite principles of accounting I.

**AC 306 Fundamentals of Accounting II**

This course will be the preferred course to complete the pre-requisite requirement for principles of accounting II.

**AC 315 Managerial Accounting**

This course replaces AC 301 Managerial Accounting.

**AC 451 Forensic Accounting I**

This course is a study of forensic accounting concepts including fraud, accounting crimes, careers, ethics in accounting, and related topics. Prerequisite is AC 322.

**AC 452 Forensic Accounting II**

This course is a study of forensic accounting concepts including litigation, interrogation, evidence, and related topics. Prerequisite is AC 322.

**MG 450 Strategic HR Competencies & Professional Certification**

This course will provide the student with both the operational and strategic framework of the human resources professional based on SHRM HRM Competencies and related content preparation for professional certification in human resources. Prerequisites for taking this course will be MG 349 and MG 449 (can be concurrent) and 500 hours of relevant HR experience as prescribed by the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). Permission of department is required.

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## Updates for Fall 2017 (Continued)

### **New Certificates (2017-18):**

#### **Accounting**

The Accounting Certificate would give individuals who do not wish to complete a full academic program the ability to complete a finite program in accounting. There are a number of students who attend Athens in order to fulfill hours requirements for government and government-related jobs in the area. There are 15 semester hours or coursework in this certificate. For more information, contact Stacie Hughes (Stacie.Hughes@athens.edu).

#### **Human Resource Management**

The Human Resource Management Certificate will be awarded upon completion of five courses (15 semester hours). Students must take MG 349, MG 410, MG 449, and MG 411 AND choose from MG 370, MG 351, or MG 450. If a student is a current HR professional or has at least one year experience in HR, then MG 349 can be waived in exchange for a second course from the electives list to best meet career objectives in a targeted HR position. For more information, contact Gary Valcana (Gary.Valcana@athens.edu).

#### **Unique Opportunity (beginning Fall 2017):**

The College of Business at Athens State University is pleased to tell you about a unique opportunity that has been made available to students with a major in either **Acquisition and Contract Management** or **Logistics and Supply Chain Management**. As you probably know, there is an area on your Degree plan for 6 hours of electives from specific areas (ACM, ESM, ISM, LSM, etc.). Beginning this fall, you can take the first two graduate-level courses in our Global Logistics and Supply Chain Management program, LSM 600 and LSM 601, and use those courses to satisfy these six hours of electives. Should you be accepted into the Master's program at Athens State upon completion of your Bachelor's degree, then you will only have eight more graduate courses remaining to earn a Master's in GLSCM at Athens State University. Keep in mind, graduate courses cost more than undergraduate courses; but if you are planning to pursue a Master's anyway, you can save money by not having to take six more hours of undergraduate courses in your Bachelor's degree. *If you receive financial aid, you will also need to make sure your aid will pay for the graduate courses.*

Fall semesters are the only semesters that these two graduate courses are offered, so the next opportunity to take advantage will be Fall 2018. You will not be able to register for the graduate-level courses on your own; it will require special approval. Please contact Molly Pepper at [molly.pepper@athens.edu](mailto:molly.pepper@athens.edu) or 256-216-5352 if you have any questions or need any assistance.



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