Boise State Bachelor of Applied Science Program
Frequently Asked Questions

How does the program work?

The Bachelor of Applied Science is an interdisciplinary degree, which means you will be able to make the degree fit your interests and areas of expertise and are not confined to one subject. The major that will appear on your diploma will be Bachelor of Applied Science. You will have the flexibility to choose an area of emphasis to focus your degree or select a minor or certificate that you would like to complete in conjunction with your major.

What are the requirements for acceptance into the Bachelor of Applied Science Program (BAS)?

To be accepted into the Bachelor of Applied Science Program, you must have completed an Associate of Applied Science from a regionally accredited college or university or have a minimum of 40 technical credits. The minimum GPA requirement is a 2.25. All prospective students must meet with the BAS academic advisor before admittance.

How many credits are required for this degree?

Students must earn a minimum of 120 credits to graduate from Boise State University with a bachelor’s degree. Certain Areas of Emphasis or minors may require more credits.

Will I be required to take prerequisites before I can take certain courses?

Yes, if there are prerequisites to a particular course you plan to take, you will need to satisfy the prerequisite requirement or get special permission from the instructor.

Will I be required to take a Math course?

Yes, a Foundations of Math course (FM) is required for the BAS degree. You may take the Accuplacer Next Generation test to determine what level of math you can take. Certain Areas of Emphasis or minors may require additional math courses as well. If you have taken a math course at a previous institution, math credits may transfer.

Am I required to take a certain number of credits each semester?

We highly recommend you take courses at your own pace depending on your work/life balance. While there is not a credit requirement for this program, we recommend you take at least one course a semester. If you are receiving financial aid the number of credits you need to enroll in depends on the types of aid offered to you and what aid you have accepted.

Will I be able to take all of the classes I need in the evening, online, or on weekends?

Yes, you can plan your BAS degree around weekend, evening, and online classes.

How do I choose a minor?

You and your academic advisor will discuss your options during advising and create an academic plan. Many BAS students choose to pair a minor with their BAS degree and it’s strongly encouraged. Some minors require admission to the program, but others you may declare through your my.boisestate account via the "Change my Major" link.

What can I do with a Bachelor of Applied Science?

Once you have earned your Bachelor of Applied Science, you will have many new opportunities available to you. You could go on to graduate school and earn a master’s or doctorate. You will have a wider variety of job opportunities to choose from where you can apply the technical and theoretical knowledge you gained during your college career.

How do I get started?

Contact the BAS program by phone, (208) 426-3496, email, appliedscience@boisestate.edu, or through the website, appliedscience.boisestate.edu. You can set up an appointment to get more information and see if the BAS program is the right fit for you. Apply to Boise State University as a degree seeking student. Send in your official academic transcripts from all schools that you have attended.

How soon can I meet with an advisor?

Log on the BAS website and click the “Make an Appointment” button on the left navigation bar. Select the next available time slot, indicated in orange, that works with your schedule for an in-person, phone or video chat appointment.