

Business Administration Second Year Program Options

FAQs (*frequently asked questions*)

What are the options for 2nd Year Business Administration?

You may choose a personal flexible approach to learning (“Open Concentration”), a specific second year concentration (Accounting, Financial Services, Management, Marketing, or Software & Information Management), or the International Business Advanced Diploma option.

What is the “Open Concentration”?

In the Open Concentration you will be able to choose your own second year courses from those available at your campus or through NSCC’s Online Learning or through collaborative classrooms where available. You create your own distinct mix of courses to prepare you for your career in business. You will need to discuss your options with a Faculty Advisor or Academic Chair to match the career goals you have and to meet the requirements for graduating with a Business Administration diploma. You may find the Open Concentration more in line with your desired learning.

What is a “concentration”?

Each of the second year concentrations in Business Administration represents a distinct mix of courses designed to focus and prepare students for specific careers in business.

How is the International Business option different?

You enrol directly in the Advanced Diploma in International Business and take 3 semesters (Sept-April + Sep-Dec) in Truro with a final internship semester (Jan-April) at an approved business anywhere in the province and earn a nationally accredited certificate and diploma in International Business with FITT (Forum for International Trade Training).

The International Business Advanced Diploma is a two year program that requires completion of the NSCC Business Administration first year or equivalent for admission. Upon successful completion of all International Business courses and requirements, you are eligible to graduate with the International Business Advanced Diploma.

If you wish to pursue the International Business Advanced Diploma program you must indicate this as your first choice on the request form as well as list a second choice. You must also complete an NSCC application for International Business and submit it (with application fee) to NSCC admissions at the same time as you complete the request form (transcripts are not required). The application fee is only required if you’re wanting to move to the International Business Advanced Diploma program.

Do I need to request a second year option?

You will be asked to submit a request and can choose between any of the options available to you: the Open Concentration, one of the specific concentration options, or the International Business option.

Am I guaranteed admission to my preferred option?

Historically, every learner has been accepted into their first choice. Some students may be required to take their second campus choice if their first campus is oversubscribed.

Can I take any option at my current Campus?

Your preferred option may not be available through your current Campus. If it is not, you can choose a different option, or transfer to a campus where the option is offered. The Open Concentration is available at every campus where Business Administration is offered. ***Other options may exist through collaborative offerings, please speak to your Academic Chair for further.***

When will I hear back whether I've been accepted to my preferred option?

You will hear back typically by the end of March. Students who apply to the International Business Advanced Diploma will receive conditional acceptance within 3 weeks of submitting an application with application fee.

When do the second year options begin?

Your second year option will begin in September, 2017.