

GUIDED PATHWAY: SMALL BUSINESS ACADEMY CERTIFICATE

BUSINESS, HOSPITALITY and GLOBAL TRADE CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Small Business Academy webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/sba) [www.dcccd.edu/sba] and your academic advisor at your campus.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing entrepreneurship. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn the Small Business Academy Certificate. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. Visit the El Centro catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

This is a Level I Certificate Program in entrepreneurship. The program is designed to teach foundational business competencies which will provide learners with the knowledge and practical skills to plan, start and run their own business.

Students pursuing this certificate are waived from the [Texas Success Initiative \(TSI\)](#) standards, but must meet course prerequisites.

Catalog Year	2020-2021	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Level I Certificate	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
TSI	May be Exempt	

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

CERTIFICATE MINIMUM: 21 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

SEMESTER 1 Total Hours: 6

[BUSG 2309](#) – Small Business Management/Entrepreneurship
CHOOSE ONE: [ACCT 2301](#) – Principles of Financial Accounting **OR**
[ACNT 1303](#) – Introduction to Accounting I

SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals before the end of the semester.
2. Meet with a career advisor or coach to research your career options and opportunities for job shadowing.

SEMESTER 2 Total Hours: 12

[BUSG 1315](#) – Small Business Operations
[BMGT 2309](#) – Leadership
[MRKG 1311](#) – Principles of Marketing
[BUSI 2301](#) – Business Law

SEMESTER 2 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to request an official program of study audit and confirm or update your academic/career path and program of study.

SEMESTER 3 Total Hours: 3

[HRPO 2301](#) – Human Resources Management

SEMESTER 3 ACTION ITEMS

1. After successfully completing all coursework, apply for graduation for the Small Business Academy Certificate.

