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Bowling Green  
State University  
Undergraduate Catalog**

## How to Use this Catalog

This catalog is a guide to the programs, policies and courses that are part of undergraduate life at Bowling Green State University, a complex learning community. Students need to be aware of opportunities and requirements at several levels to guarantee that they take advantage of all that Bowling Green has to offer and can make steady progress toward academic goals.

The University comprises seven undergraduate colleges, which are subdivided into schools, departments and programs. Faculty create and offer the courses that students take to fulfill academic requirements for undergraduate degrees. The colleges are responsible for the integrity of degree programs based on the academic fields. All degrees are conferred officially by the University. Students satisfy requirements at the department, college and University levels. Students may also be involved with academic programs that are supervised by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. In addition students have periodic contact with the Bursar's Office, Admissions Office, Office of Student Financial Aid and Office of Registration and Records.

- All information in this catalog was correct as of March 30, 2001, and is subject to change. Except as specifically stated herein, Bowling Green State University makes no representation or contract that following a particular course or curriculum will result in specific achievement, employment or qualification for employment, admission to degree programs or licensing for particular professions or occupations.
- Students are responsible for knowing all requirements and policies in this catalog, particularly those academic policies on p. 5-13.
- Each of the colleges provides an overview of its degree programs in this catalog. Consult the catalog index to find which college offers programs in a particular area of interest. Colleges and departments provide more detailed information in separate publications, available on request. Students are advised to become familiar with BGSU publications in their area of interest as well as appropriate parts of this catalog. Students should closely study the checklist that summarizes all course requirements and options for their chosen major.
- The University reserves the right to change its course offerings, academic policies and requirements for the baccalaureate and associate degrees. To protect students from unnecessary penalty where changes in degree requirements occur, the following policies in regard to the Undergraduate Catalog are in effect:

- a. Students who do not change their BGSU college follow the degree requirements specified in the Undergraduate Catalog in use during their first term in matriculation for a BGSU degree. If the initial term of enrollment is during the second academic year of a two-year catalog, students follow the approved degree requirements in effect at the time of enrollment.
  - b. Students may elect to complete a degree program under the most recent Undergraduate Catalog. If this choice is made, then the student must complete all degree requirements specified in the selected catalog.
  - c. Students who transfer from one BGSU college to another follow the Undergraduate Catalog in effect at the time of the transfer. If the transfer is made during the second year of a two-year catalog, students follow the approved degree requirements of the new college in effect at the time of the transfer.
  - d. Students who transfer from another institution follow the Undergraduate Catalog in effect at the time of their initial registration for courses at BGSU. If the transfer is made during the second year of a two-year catalog, students follow the approved degree requirements in effect at the time of the transfer.
  - e. Students who initiate but do not complete a program and return to the University follow the degree requirements specified by the dean of the college in which they are enrolled at the time of their return.
  - f. Questions concerning catalog policy should be directed to the appropriate college advisement office or to the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.
- Courses are identified by a three- or four-letter abbreviation and a number. Course descriptions are listed in the back of this catalog in alphabetical order by course prefix.
  - The semester schedule of classes should be used in conjunction with this catalog to determine course availability, since all courses are not offered every semester. By consulting the schedule of classes, students may also find out about courses that have been created since this catalog was printed. **Current information about course offerings can also be found on the Internet at [www.bgsu.edu/catalog](http://www.bgsu.edu/catalog) or [www.bgsu.edu/offices/registrar/class\\_schedule](http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/registrar/class_schedule).**