

# **Business, Marketing, and Finance Career Cluster**

The Business, Marketing, and Finance career cluster focuses on careers in planning, organizing, directing, and evaluating business functions essential to efficient and productive business operations. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from business owner and entrepreneur, to accountant, retail manager, and market analyst.

# Statewide Program of Study: Entrepreneurship

The Entrepreneurship program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with planning, launching, directing, and coordinating public or private sector ventures. This program of study includes formulating policies, launching businesses or organizations, managing daily operations, analyzing management structures, and planning for the use of materials and human resources.

# **Secondary Courses for High School Credit**

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Level 1 • Principles of Business, Marketing, and Finance • Business Information Management I

Level 4 • Practicum in Entrepreneurship

Level 3



| AP or IB    | AP Statistics                                              |
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| Dual Credit | Dual credit offerings will vary by local education agency. |

Students should be advised to consider these course opportunities to enrich their preparation. AP or IB courses not listed under the Secondary Courses for High School Credit section of this framework document do not count towards concentrator/completer status for this program of study.

# Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

- Work-Based Learning Activities
- Intern at a local start-up or a business incubator
- Participate in the development and launch of a schoolbased enterprise
- Expanded Learning Opportunities
- Job shadow an entrepreneur
- Participate in BPA, DECA, FBLA, or related UIL events

## **Aligned Industry-Based Certifications**

• Entrepreneurship and Small Business



# **Example Postsecondary Opportunities**

#### Associate Degrees

- Operations Management and Supervision
- Organizational Leadership

#### **Bachelor's Degrees**

- Business Administration and Management
- Public Administration

#### Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Business Administration
- Public Administration

#### Additional Stackable IBCs/License

- Salesforce
- Service Contract Providers



# **Example Aligned Occupations**

### General and Operations Managers

Median Wage: \$83,220 Annual Openings: 25,450 10-Year Growth: 23%

### Management Analysts

Median Wage: \$93,983 Annual Openings: 6,030 10-Year Growth: 25%

### **Chief Executives**

Median Wage: \$163,567 Annual Openings: 648 10-Year Growth: 3%



https://tea.texas.gov/academics/college-careerand-military-prep/career-and-technicaleducation/programs-of-study-additional-resources



