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I. GENERAL ACADEMIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

The collection supports the teaching, learning, research, needs the study of finance across the entire university community as well as needs for the study of actuarial science on campus. Its primary users are faculty, staff, and students of the Department of Finance in the College of Business Administration (CBA). Secondary users at the University include faculty, staff, and students interested in project or construction management, management information and database systems, decision science, leadership studies, and ethical studies. The public users make extensive use of the collection -- particularly material on personal finances. It also serves the needs of actuarial professionals in the community.

The main focus of the collection is works classified in Library of Congress call number HG.

College of Business Administration

In May 1913, the School of Commerce was created as a part of the College of Arts and Sciences. In 1919, the School of Commerce was upgraded to a College of Business Administration (CBA). In 1968 the present organization of CBA as created when the four basic department -- the departments of Economics, Finance, Management, Marketing and the School of Accountancy -- were organized. In the 1960s, the college was brought together in the former Social Sciences Hall. In the early 1990s, the Actuarial Science program was moved from the College of Arts and Sciences and placed in the Finance Department of CBA.

CBA has a number of centers and programs:

- Bureau of Business Research
- Center for Economic Education
- National Center for Research in Economic Education
- Leadership Institute
- Nebraska Center for Entrepreneurship
- Program in Business Ethics

CBA also participates in a number of joint programs. The Agribusiness program is a joint degree program between CBA and CASNR. The MBA/Master of Architecture program is a joint

program with the College of Architecture. The MBA/Juris Doctorate program and the Master of Professional Accountancy/Juris Doctorate are joint programs with the College of Law. The Master of Arts in Business with a Specialization in Marketing, Advertising, and Mass Communications is an inter-disciplinary program in cooperation with the College of Journalism and Mass Communications and the Communication Studies department of the College of Arts and Sciences. The Jeffrey S. Raikes School is a joint undergraduate program between CBA and the Computer Science Department. The Raikes School is a residential program based in the Kaufmann Center and requiring high standards for membership.

In addition to bachelor's degrees, CBA offers a number of master's degrees and PhD degrees including:

- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Professional Accounting
- Master of Arts in Business
- Master of Arts in Economics
- Master of Arts in Management Information Systems (MIS)
- Master Science in Actuarial Science
- PhD in Economics
- PhD in Accountancy
- PhD in Finance
- PhD in Management
- PhD in Marketing

The college offers a successful Distance MBA program which is highly rated.

The degree programs of the College of Business Administration are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB International).

The College of Arts and Sciences is by all measures the largest college in the university. CBA is one of the major colleges with about 85 faculty members and nearly 3,000 students. In 2008-2009, 703 bachelor's degrees, 153 master's degrees, and 17 doctor's degrees were awarded to students in CBA.

Department of Finance

1) Core Finance Department Program

The Finance department is the branch of CBA which covers capital formation, banking and other financial institutions, risk management, and general finance in businesses. The department has a strong, diverse faculty of around 15 scholars.

Degrees offered by the Department of Finance are:

Bachelor's Degrees

The Department of Finance teaches core courses supporting all majors in CBA and offers a program leading to a major in finance.

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Students in the MBA program may specialize in finance by taking graduate course offered by the Department of Finance.

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) with emphasis on Finance

The department offers a highly structured PhD program providing a well rounded education in finance.

2) Actuarial Science Program

The Actuarial Science Program is administratively part of the Finance Department, but its program is separate and distinct from the core Finance Department program. The Actuarial Science Program is one of only 12 in the United States and Canada accredited by the Society of Actuaries. The program of study is narrowly defined in order to retain that accreditation. The program has a small but expert faculty of 4 scholars.

Degrees offered by the Actuarial Science Program are:

Bachelor's Degrees

Students may get a BS degree with a major or a minor in actuarial science offered through the College of Arts and Science.

Students may get a BS degree with a major or a minor in actuarial science offered through the College of Business Administration.

Also, a five-year program combining the study of computer science, business, and actuarial science is available through the Raikes School.

Master of Science

A non-thesis Master Science in Actuarial Science is available.

Students in other math-oriented graduate programs may get a minor in actuarial science.

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II. GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

Books from American presses or books from foreign presses on American business or American participation in international business are preferred. In addition, books about business in countries where CBA has study abroad -- programs particularly China, France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, and Mexico -- are preferred.

III. CHRONOLOGICAL COVERAGE AND IMPRINT DATE

The business collection has been quite strong for about 100 years. The primary need is for recent monographs and serials on current issues in business.

IV. FORMAT

Because of the importance of the distance MBA program, full text resources are important. Many online databases make documents available in full text. E-books are preferred if they are available.

V. LANGUAGE

English is becoming a lingua franca for business with business research around the world being publishing in English. English is the preferred language of publication for resources at all levels of collection intensity, although no language is excluded. Elementary business books in Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese, and Spanish should be collected.

VI. CLASSIFICATION AND INTENSITY LISTING

(The following are listed by LC Class, Subject, and then by Intensity Level)

HD30.22 Managerial Economics STUDY

HD61 Risk management. Risk in industry RESEARCH

HD7088-HD7252 Social Insurance. Social Security. Pensions STUDY

HD7101-HD7102 State Health Plans RESEARCH

HD7105.3 Old Age Pensions RESEARCH

HF5691 Business mathematics RESEARCH

HG Finance BASIC

HG106 Business Models RESEARCH

HG1501-HG3550 Banking RESEARCH

HG1621-HG1632 Interest Rates RESEARCH

HG2037 Cooperative Banking. Peoples banks. Credit unions RESEARCH

HG3810-HG4000 Foreign Exchange. International Finance STUDY

HG4028.V3 Valuation RESEARCH

HG4501-HG6051 Investment. Capital formation. Speculation STUDY

HG4515.3 Mathematics of Investment RESEARCH

HG4523 Capital Markets RESEARCH

HG4551-HG4598 Stock Exchanges RESEARCH

HG8011-HG9999 Insurance STUDY

HG8779-HG8791 Actuarial Science RESEARCH