PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

MAJOR MAP



WHO WE ARE

- A Bachelor in Professional Studies program typically provides students with a combination of practical skills, theoretical knowledge, and experiential learning opportunities to prepare them for a variety of careers.
- Bachelor in Professional Studies programs are designed to prepare students for success in a wide range of professional settings, providing them with the skills and knowledge needed to excel in their chosen field.



CAREER OUTCOMES:

- Business Management
- Human Resources
- Marketing and Communications
- Healthcare Administration
- Government and Public Administration
- Non-Profit Management
- Consulting

AREAS OF STUDY:

- Organizational Leadership
- Health Administration
- Information Technology
- International Organizational Leadership





What skills will students learn throughout this program?

- Students will develop strong written and verbal communication skills, which are essential for interacting with colleagues, clients, and stakeholders.
- The program will emphasize critical thinking skills, helping students to analyze information, evaluate arguments, and make informed decisions.
- Students will learn to identify problems, develop creative solutions, and implement strategies to address challenges in professional settings.



WHAT SKILLS ARE YOUR FUTURE EMPLOYERS LOOKING FOR?

- Project Management
- Leadership Skills
- Research Skills
- Technical Skills
- Ethical and Social Responsibility
- Teamwork
- Problem-Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Adaptability

For more information, <u>click here</u> https://www.tnstate.edu/online/BS_in_ProfStudies



Undergraduate Experiential Major Map: PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Think

Engaging in critical thinking and inquiry inside the classroom.

Work

Pursue experiences that will allow you to grow as a leader and professional.

Serve

Explore opportunities to contribute to the broader community and global marketplace.

First Year/Freshman

- Complete your Handshake Profile.
- Complete your four-year educational plan in UNIV 1000 during the fall semester.
- Focus on your studies and earn good grades.
- Visit the Office of Student Success (OSS) and connect with your advisor for help navigating college life and your classes. Make an appointment using the student planner app and view the OSS page for other hours and services.
- First Generation students connect with your First Generational Specialist.
- Get to know professors. The best time to connect outside of class is during their office hours.
- Visit the Academic Achievement and Retention Center for access to study tips, connecting to academic coaches, tutoring, and other helpful resources.
- Attend the Career Fair (Sponsored by the Career Development Center)
- Get involved Attend organizational fairs, special/corporate events, and volunteer on and off campus.

Sophomore & Junior

- Update your resume and remove high school activities. Have it critiqued by the Career **Development Center**.
- Review and update LinkedIn and Handshake profiles.
- Attend the Career Fair (Sponsored by the Career Development Center)
- Explore graduate school options.
- Begin preparing for GRE, LSAT, MCAT, GMAT, and other exams for graduate school admissions.
- Begin building your professional wardrobe.
- Meet with your **<u>departmental</u>** academic advisor to confirm degree progress and discuss your future academic and career goals.
- Attend institutional and departmental internship workshops.

Senior

- Meet with your **departmental** academic advisor to confirm degree progress and discuss your future academic and career goals.
- Apply for Graduate and Professional School or jobs that fit your interests, skills, and career goals. Follow up on applications and keep a record of the status of each. *pay attention to due dates
- Draft a cover letter that can be adapted for a variety of employers. Have it critiqued.
- Complete the Senior Exit Exam and First Destination Survey. (Testing **Center**)



Academic Success

Checklist

Book an appointment with your academic advisor for pre-registration and advising.

- Discover library resources.
- Uvisit the math, reading, writing, and tutoring center.
- Complete FAFSA and academic scholarship applications.

Educational **Planning Checklist**

- Ask your academic advisor about High Impact Practices
- □ Participate in at least two High Impact Practices at TSU
- □ Join a student group.

Career Development Checklist

- Create your HandShake Profile.
- □ Visit What Can I Do With This Major
- □ Attend the career fair to expand vour network.
- □ Attend Academic Department workshops and seminars.

□ Visit the <u>Academic Pathways &</u> **Partnerships**