ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

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ABOUT SHORTER UNIVERSITY

WHO WE ARE  Founded in 1873 and located in Rome, Georgia, Shorter University is a private, liberal arts university with a legacy of academic excellence and a dynamic Christian heritage. Shorter University has been ranked as one of the “Top 20 Southern Comprehensive Colleges” by U.S. News and World Report since 2002 and as a “Best in the Southeast” and a “Best Value College” by The Princeton Review.

137 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

Shorter University has a rich history of providing students with a quality education in an intentionally Christian atmosphere. Shorter University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate, baccalaureate and master’s degrees.

OUR MISSION  The Mission of Shorter University is to provide quality higher education, enabling and encouraging student commitment to active, life-long learning; personal spiritual values; responsible citizenship; and community and societal leadership in a global context.

The University seeks to accomplish this Mission through quality undergraduate liberal arts programs, specialized professional programs, and select graduate programs.

Geographically distant locations and online classes provide educational opportunities to individuals who are unable to attend classes in a traditional setting. The University affirms a commitment to the Christian faith and strives to integrate Christian values within a nurturing community in its whole process of education.
Shorter University’s associate degree in science provides an excellent foundation in general education and is ideal for students needing to complete their core curriculum classes before transitioning to a bachelor’s degree in business. It includes 42 hours of core classes and an 18 hour business concentration.

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE COURSES

Our online Associate of Science degree courses are comprised of 60 credit hours. Each online course lasts for eight weeks and there are five terms each year. Students will take the following courses: (Each class represents 3 credit hours)

**Common Core Courses**
- Online Learning/Computer Literacy
- Freshman English I
- Freshman English II
- Survey of World Literature II
- Oral Communication
- History: One of the following:
  - Modern Civilization Since 1648
  - American Civilization II
- College Algebra
- Science: Two courses as advised (6 hrs.)
- Health
- Religion: Two of the following:
  - Introduction to Religious Studies: Canon
  - Introduction to Religious Studies: Church
  - Introduction to Religious Studies: Creed
- Arts: One of the following:
  - Art, Culture, and Values
  - Theatre Appreciation
- Social Science: One of the following:
  - Introduction to Psychology
  - Introduction to Sociology

**Business Concentration**
- Introduction to Business
- Business Computer Applications
- Principles of Financial Accounting
- Principles of Managerial Accounting
- Principles of Microeconomics
- Principles of Macroeconomics

Total Semester Hours in Concentration: 18

Total Common Core: 42 Hours
Through online learning, obtaining a quality and highly respected degree from Shorter University is easier than ever. Students who cannot meet regularly during the school week because of employment, family matters, and other commitments now have a solution. Online classes are administered in an asynchronous format – students log into the course, retrieve their assignments, submit work, and take quizzes when their schedules permit.

CHANGE YOUR LIFE!

CAREER OPTIONS

An Associate of Science with a concentration in Business degree from Shorter University will give students the tools they need to grow in their career. After earning a Associate of Science with a concentration in Business degree, students will be able to transition into a Bachelor of Business degree to further their education. Some familiar job titles that can be obtained with an Associate of Science include:

• Office Manager
• Retail Store Manager
• Executive Secretary
• Financial Controller
• Administrative/Executive Assistant

The average salary for an Associate of Science degree ranges between:
(www.payscale.com) $32,000 and $57,000
To enroll in our Associate of Science program students with fewer than 27 transferable college hours must have an ACT score of 19 or better, or an SAT score of 450 on each section or better, and a high school GPA average of 2.25 or better. Students with 27 or more transferable college credit hours need a college grade-point average, based on grades from transferable courses, of not less than 2.0 on a 4.0-point scale from a regionally accredited postsecondary institution.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS
3 SIMPLE STEPS:

1. Complete the online application here. Submit the $25 application fee

Students with 23 or more college credit hours must submit transcripts from EACH institution previously attended. Students with less than 23 hours must also submit an official SAT or ACT score report (either sent from the College Board or ACT at the prospective student’s request or included on the official high school transcript) and an official high school transcript or official GED scores, embossed or stamped and signed as official by the high schools guidance office. If the student has been out of high school for over 5 years, a high school transcript is required but no ACT or SAT score. *Once all the necessary documentation has been received and reviewed, an admission decision will be made, and students will be contacted via e-mail.

For more information, please visit our Online Campus at http://online.shorter.edu/admissions or contact:

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WHY SHORTER UNIVERSITY?

• A well-established institution with a reputation for educational excellence.
• Superior academic programs and high-quality instruction.
• A caring Christian atmosphere.
• Small class sizes.
• A substantial level of individualized attention given to each student from their professors.
• A faculty in which two-thirds of the professors hold the highest degree available in their fields of expertise.
Shorter University understands the potential struggles associated with financing a college education, and it is our goal to work with students on any financial aid issues. To provide more flexibility, Shorter University offers three different payment options, which can be found on our Web site at http://online.shorter.edu/admissions/payment-options.

TUITION & FEES

- $325 per credit hour
- $25 tech fee per course
- $150 graduation fee
- $99 Taskstream fee

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FINANCIAL AID

We encourage all students to apply for financial aid as soon as possible by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

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