Regents Bachelor of Arts, R.B.A.

Degree Offered

- Regents Bachelor of Arts

Nature of the Program

The Regents Bachelor of Arts degree is designed to meet the unique goals of non-traditional students. Whether you want to pursue a graduate or professional degree, transition into a new career, increase your marketability within an established career, or fulfill your life-long goal of completing a bachelor’s degree, the RBA program can help you succeed. You can complete the program on campus or online, at your own pace. Eligible students may also acquire college credit for professional, volunteer, and military experiences. The Regents Bachelor of Arts program is designed for adults who wish to complete their college studies and offers an opportunity to gain credits for work and life experience. Students tailor their academic courses of study to meet their individual needs.

Passing grades from other regionally accredited colleges, CLEP, and DSST will be accepted.

Credit may also be awarded for certificates and licenses.

Areas of Emphasis

WVU Tech encourages adult student in the Regents B.A. program to complete a focused area of education. The following areas of emphasis require the completion of 15 graded hours of upper-division classroom work with a grade of C- or better in each course.

- Aviation Studies - AVIA 489 Aviation Law, 12 hours of Aviation Management (AVIA)
- Business - Accounting (ACCT), Finance (FIN), Management (MANG), Marketing (MKTG), Information Systems (ISYS)
- Creative Arts - English (ENGL), Music (MUSC), Theatre (THET), Languages
- Cultural Studies - Sociology (SOC), History (HIST), Music (MUSC), Psychology (PSYC), English (ENGL)
- Government - Economics (ECON), History (HIST), Sociology (SOC), Political Science (POLS)
- Health Care Services - HUMS 320 Public Administration and HUMS 330 Intro to Health Care Organizations, 9 hours from Human Services (HUMS), SOC 325 Illness/Health Care, and/or SOC 312 Death and Dying
- Information Studies - Information Systems (ISYS), Management (MANG), English (ENGL)
- Marketing - BCOR 350 Principles of Marketing, 12 hours of Marketing (MKTG)
- Organizational Management - BCOR 370 Managing Individuals and Teams, MANG 422 The individual and the Organization, 9 hours from Business core (BCOR) and/or Management (MANG) courses
- Professional Pilot - AVIA 301 Principles of Aviation Instruction, AVIA 302 Initial Flight instructor, AVIA 304 Instrument Flight Instructor, AVIA 306 Advanced Flight Instructor, AVIA 380 Aviation Weather, AVIA 381 Professional Field Experience (3 credit hours). Required Prerequisite Courses are AVIA 201 - Instrument Rating, AVIA 231 Commercial Pilot, AVIA 241 Multi-Engine Rating, AVIA 281 Professional Field Experience or applicable FAA pilot certificates and ratings.
- Sciences - Mathematics (MATH), Physics (PHYS), Biology (BIOL), Chemistry (CHEM)
- Social Sciences - Economics (ECON), History (HIST), Sociology (SOC), Political Science (POLS)
- Sport Studies - Athletic Coaching Education (ACE), Sport Management (SM). At least two courses each from ACE and SM.

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Admissions

Admission and retention requirements are the same as for other degree programs except that students are not eligible for admission until at least four years after graduation from high school.

Students may not be enrolled simultaneously in the RBA program and another college degree program and they are ineligible if they have already earned a bachelor's degree.
All passing grades from other accredited colleges, plus passing grades on CLEP, DSST and other college level tests, will be accepted.


- **General Education:**
  - **Communication Skills (6 hours)** Outcome: Courses in this area must provide the student with skills and knowledge to be able to communicate effectively in a variety of formats.
  - **Humanities (6 hours)** Outcome: Courses in this area must demonstrate knowledge in the interdisciplinary study and philosophy of diverse cultures.
  - **Social Science (6 hours)** Outcome: Courses will demonstrate understanding of the development, diversity, and complexity of human behavior and institutions.
  - **Natural or Physical Science (3 hours)** Outcome: Courses in this area must provide an understanding of the physical world through the scientific method (understanding of the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of science)
  - **Mathematics, Statistics, or Computer Science (3 hours)**

- **Upper Division:** Minimum of 30 hours
- **Residency:** Students must complete a residency requirement of 24 hours of coursework taken at one or more institutions within West Virginia’s public higher education system. Three of the 24 hours must be taken at WVU Institute of Technology

### Curriculum Requirements

**WVU Tech GPA: Minimum 2.0 required.**  
**Overall GPA: Minimum 2.0 required.**

#### General Education

**Communication Skills**

Select courses fulfilling GEF 1 or courses fulfilling this outcome and approved by the RBA Coordinator.

**Humanities**

Select courses fulfilling GEF 6 or 7, or courses fulfilling this outcome and approved by the RBA Coordinator.

**Social Science**

Select courses fulfilling GEF 4 or 5, or courses fulfilling this outcome and approved by the RBA Coordinator.

**Natural or Physical Science**

Select courses fulfilling GEF 2, or courses fulfilling this outcome and approved by the RBA Coordinator.

**Mathematics, Statistics, or Computer Science**

Select courses fulfilling GEF 3, or courses fulfilling this outcome and approved by the RBA Coordinator.

#### Upper Division Courses (Must be at the 300 or 400 level)

**Electives**

**Total Hours**

### Areas of Emphasis Offered:

- Aviation Studies (p. 3)
- Business (p. 3)
- Creative Arts (p. 3)
- Cultural Studies (p. 3)
- Government (p. 3)
- Health Care Services (p. 3)
- Information Studies (p. 3)
- Marketing (p. 3)
- Organizational Management (p. 4)
- Professional Pilot (p. 4)
- Sciences (p. 4)
- Social Sciences (p. 4)
- Sport Studies (p. 4)
AVIATION STUDIES AREA OF EMPHASIS

A minimum grade of C is required in all AOE coursework.

AVIA 489  Aviation Law  3
Upper-Division AVIA Courses  12
Total Hours  15

BUSINESS AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must have a C- grade or better in all AOE designated courses

300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: ACCT, BCOR, ENTR, FIN, MANG, MKTG, ISYS  15
Total Hours  15

CREATIVE ARTS AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must earn a C- grade or better in all designated AOE courses

300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: ENGL, MUSC, THET, and Languages  15
Total Hours  15

CULTURAL STUDIES AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must have a C- grade or better in all AOE designated courses

300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: ENGL, HIST, MUSC, PSYC, SOCA  15
Total Hours  15

GOVERNMENT AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must earn a C- grade or better in all designated AOE courses

300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: ECON, HIST, POLS, SOCA  15
Total Hours  15

HEALTH CARE SERVICES AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must earn a C- grade or better in all designated AOE courses

HUMS 320  Public Administration  3
HUMS 330  Health Insurance  3
Select three of the following:  9
300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: HUMS
SOC 312  Death and Dying
SOC 325  Illness and Health Care
Total Hours  15

INFORMATION STUDIES AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must have a C- grade or better in all AOE designated courses

300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: ENGL, ISYS, MANG  15
Total Hours  15

MARKETING AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must earn a C- grade or better in all designated AOE courses

BCOR 350  Principles of Marketing  3
300 or 400 level courses in the following subject areas: MKTG  12
Total Hours  15
ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must earn a C- grade or better in all designated AOE courses

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PROFESSIONAL PILOT AREA OF EMPHASIS

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* Required prerequisite courses are AVIA 201, AVIA 231, AVIA 241, and AVIA 281. Students must complete these courses and/or have the applicable FAA pilot certificates (commercial pilot, instrument rating, and multi-engine rating)

SCIENCES AREA OF EMPHASIS

Must earn a C- grade or better in all designated AOE courses

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SOCIAL SCIENCES AREA OF EMPHASIS

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SPORT STUDIES AREA OF EMPHASIS

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Major Learning Outcomes

REGENTS BACHELOR OF ARTS

• Consistent with what society expects of all adult workers and good citizens, the Regents graduate will be able to demonstrate a general education in communications, the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and mathematics/computer applications.

• The Regents graduate will be able to demonstrate a focused knowledge of one or more academic areas of his or her own choosing.