

# School of Business

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## **Direct Entry Engagement**

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# YEAR 1

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- Focus on getting students acclimated to the university and ready to learn.
  - Significant interactions with peers as well as the faculty and staff in the SofB.
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# Year 1

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- FST101 – Succeeding and Engaging at SIUE
  
  - GBA102 – Exploring Business Programs and Professions
  
  - Engagement Programming
    - Major Lunch & Learn series, Social gatherings with peers, Student organization fair, Mentoring
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# Year 2

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- During this year, students should build skills and develop professional tools which will benefit them as they prepare to move into upper-level business courses.
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# Year 2

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- GBA201 – Developing Professional Tools
  
  - GBA202 – Excel Skills
    - Excel Certification
  
  - Engagement Programming
    - Career Lunch & Learn, Social gatherings with faculty, Student organization participation, Mentoring
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# Year 3

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- During this year, students will refine their networking skills and begin developing their personal brand.
  - Students are highly encouraged to participate in an internship.
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# Year 3

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- GBA301 – Establishing and enhancing networks
  
  - GBA302 – Preparing for the Professional World
  
  - Engagement Programming
    - Business Happy Hours, Social Gatherings with Alumni, Study Abroad, Faculty Research Spotlights
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# Year 4

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- The final year focuses on completing the degree and the transition to post-collegiate life.
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# Year 4

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- GBA401 – Navigating the Professional World
  - GBA402 – Excelling in the Professional World
  - Engagement Programming
    - Business Happy Hours, Etiquette dinner and Social gatherings with corporate partners, Company visits, Research with Faculty activities
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