

**OKALOOSA-WALTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE:
PROJECT AND ACQUISITIONS MANAGEMENT**

**COST COMPARISON BETWEEN OWCC BAS PROGRAM AND TROY STATE
UNIVERSITY BAS PROGRAM**

COST TO THE STUDENT – OWCC vs. TSU

Curriculum equivalency and career goals notwithstanding, the student who chooses to attend TSU instead of OWCC incurs considerably greater educational expense than does the student who elects to attend OWCC. The primary differences are as follows.

- ◆ For the cost of tuition alone, the expense to the student who attends TSU is at least 2.7 times the cost to the student who attends OWCC.
- ◆ For the student who receives Military Tuition assistance, the base cost of tuition at either institution is \$0, provided the student does not exceed 37 credits in a given year at TSU or does not exceed 101 credits in a given year at OWCC. The student who attends TSU will, however, incur other expenses not covered by Tuition Assistance (e.g. admissions, schedule change, SOC evaluation/contract, etc.; see cost comparison chart.)
- ◆ For the student who receives VA assistance or many other forms of financial aid, the lower cost to attend OWCC leaves the student with more aid funds remaining to direct toward living expenses and other costs of attending college.
- ◆ The Florida Resident Access Grant (FRAG) is not available to TSU students
- ◆ For the student who enters the BAS program with the “ideal” associate degree and technical credits, the cost of the minimum number of upper division credits required to complete the degree at OWCC is only 30% of the cost to complete the upper division coursework required in the TSU program.

Comparison of Cost Per Student at the Two Institutions

	OWCC	TSU
Tuition per college credit	\$44.55	\$120
Tuition per college credit for distance learning	\$50.55 (\$6 DL fee per credit)	\$135 (\$15 DL fee per credit)
Admission Application Fee (Not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$55
Readmission Fee (Not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$25

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Late Payment Fee	-0-	\$25
Graduation Filling Fee (Not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$50
Graduation Re-filling Fee (Not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$50
Schedule Change Fee (Withdrawal/drop fee) (Usually not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$25
Transcript Fee (Not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$5
Servicemembers Opportunity College (SOC) Evaluation and Contract Fee (Not covered by Tuition Assistance)	-0-	\$50
Minimum Other Fees per student (Admission, Graduation, SOC fees and three transcript requests)	-0-	\$170
Tuition for upper division portion of BAS Program (51 hours at TSU; 42 hours at OWCC, <i>exclusive</i> of distance learning per credit fee and other fees such as admissions and graduation)	\$1,871	\$6,120
Tuition for complete BAS Program (120 hours at base tuition rate, exclusive of DL per credit difference of \$6/credit and other fees such as admissions and graduation)	\$5,346	\$14,400
Maximum number of credits qualifying student could take each year under Tuition Assistance Program (maximum TA per year is \$4,500)	101	37

COST TO THE STATE – OWCC vs. TSU

Setting aside the fact TSU does not offer a program equivalent to the OWCC BAS in Project and Acquisitions Management (see subsequent section addressing curriculum comparison), there is considerable student impact in relying on an out-of-state institution for baccalaureate access. Among the protections lost to students are the following.

- ◆ TSU does not participate in Florida’s common course numbering system (SCNS), thus transferability of TSU courses to other schools in the state is subject to a course-by-course assessment by the receiving institution; however, credits earned at OWCC readily transfer to other SCNS schools and are treated consistently with respect to general education, common prerequisites, and other program requirements.

- ◆ TSU does not participate in the FACTS system, thus students lose access to that valuable advising and curricular resource.
- ◆ Students attending TSU do not have benefit of Florida's statewide articulation agreement which guarantees a number of items beyond course transferability, including admission guarantees for attainment of the AA Degree, protection for completion of the general education program, grade forgiveness and continuous enrollment rights.
- ◆ TSU has no enduring commitment to offer a given program in Okaloosa and Walton County; indeed, several of the few courses the TSU program bears in common with the OWCC program are not currently offered in Okaloosa or Walton Counties.
- ◆ TSU has no enduring commitment to offer a given program in Okaloosa and Walton County; although there may be a legal commitment to permit currently enrolled students to complete a given program, there is no guarantee that the courses would be locally accessible should TSU discontinue this particular degree offering.
- ◆ TSU is not subject to the same state accountability standards or oversight as is OWCC
- ◆ Alabama is the guiding force behind the TSU mission, fee structure, and allocation of resources, thus the nature and very existence of a local TSU program are subject to the actions of decision-makers with whom Florida residents have little or no influence.

CURRICULUM COMPARISON TO TROY STATE UNIVERSITY BAS IN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Although the Troy State University BAS in Resources Management will accommodate an associate degree transfer student, it is not structured like Florida's AS/AAS to BS/BAS, making a direct comparison of the full 120 credits in the two degrees problematic. Thus this analysis is based upon two assumptions: 1) notwithstanding articulation rights, the general education programs for the two degrees are essentially equivalent; and 2) it is the upper division courses that provide the special skills and content which define the degrees. Given these assumptions, the major differences between the programs are summarized below. Following the overall summary is a course-by-course analysis of the core requirements and of each area of emphasis in the OWCC program.

This comprehensive comparison demonstrates the two degrees are significantly different. And, most importantly, they differ in those specialized courses that most define the purpose and nature of the OWCC BAS in Project and Acquisitions Management.

RESULTS OF OVERALL CURRICULUM COMPARISON

- ◆ Of the 26 total courses available in the OWCC program, only 13 have TSU counterparts, and those common courses occur only in the “general management” and “general business foundation” areas
- ◆ None of the highly specialized courses which were included in the OWCC degree to meet the specific skills and content identified by employers is available through TSU.
- ◆ There is no combination of required and elective courses available at TSU that would allow a student to complete a degree comparable to the OWCC program in any of the OWCC Program areas of emphasis.
- ◆ Of the 18 elective/emphasis courses offered in the OWCC program, only 7 courses are also offered by TSU
- ◆ Of the 8 courses required in the OWCC core, 4 are comparable to required courses in the TSU program, 2 are comparable to electives in the TSU program and 2 appear to have no TSU counterpart
- ◆ The TSU program permits transfer of technical credits earned through CCAF and/or identified as college-level through the ACE Guide, however the maximum number of such credits allowed is 18; the OWCC program will permit up to 45 credits transferred under such arrangements, thus entering students will have fewer additional courses to complete and may progress to degree completion more quickly.
- ◆ Per the recent TSU class schedules, few of the courses which are similar to OWCC courses are actually offered in the Okaloosa and Walton County area

COURSE-BY-COURSE PROGRAM COMPARISON

CORE COURSES

REQUIRED CORE COURSES			Comparison to Troy State BAS in Resource Management	
MAN	3025	Contemporary Management Concepts	MGT 3371 Principles of Management & Organizational Behavior	Required in TSU Program
MAN	3581	Project and Acquisitions Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
FIN	3400	Financial Management	FIN 3331 Managerial Finance	Required in TSU Program
GEB	3__	Ethical Issues in Business	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	3213	Effective Business Communications	BAN 3382 Business Communications	Required in TSU Program
BUL	3130	The Legal Environment of Business	LAW 3321 Legal Environment	Required in TSU Program
GEB	3031	Challenges in Contemporary Business	BAN 4476 Business Strategy	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	3__	Managing in a High Technology Environment	MGT 4480 Technology and Innovation Management	Elective in TSU Program

COMPARISON FOR EACH AREA OF EMPHASIS FOLLOWS

EMPHASIS IN ACQUISITIONS

(CORE COURSE COMPARISON IS THE SAME AS OTHER AREAS OF EMPHASIS)

REQUIRED EMPHASIS COURSES			Comparison to Troy State BAS in Resource Management
MAN	3__	Project Cost Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course
MAN	4__	Government Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course
MAN	4__	Private Sector Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course

ELECTIVE COURSES -- With the approval of an advisor, select 9 credits from the following

MAN	3301	Human Resource Management	MGT 3375 Human Resource Management	Required in TSU Program
MAN	3441	Conflict Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3522	Quality Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4741	Change Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3320	Employee Staffing	MGT 4481 Staffing	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	3350	Training and Development	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4401	Labor-Management Relations	MGT 4477 Labor Relations	Required in TSU Program
MAN	4330	Management and Compensation	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4120	Leadership and Group Dynamics	MGT 4472 Advanced Organizational Behavior	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	4__	Quality Certification: ISO 9000	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4__	Internship/Work Experience	BAN 4499 Internship	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	4905	Independent Study in Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4905	Independent Study in Business	BAN 4493 Guided Independent Study in Business	Elective in TSU Program
ETI	4700	Occupational Safety	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	49__	Special Topics in Project Management	MGT 3379 Special Topics in Management	Elective in TSU Program
Total 120 Credits in Program			Total 120 Credits in Program	

SUMMARY COMPARISON FOR THIS AREA OF EMPHASIS

- ♦ **Core Courses:** **25% of coursework (2 courses) not available at TSU**
- ♦ **Emphasis Courses:** **None of the emphasis coursework is available at TSU**
- ♦ **Elective Courses:** **53% of coursework (8 courses) not available at TSU**

EMPHASIS IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

(CORE COURSE COMPARISON IS THE SAME AS OTHER AREAS OF EMPHASIS)

REQUIRED EMPHASIS COURSES			Comparison to Troy State BAS in Resource Management	
MAN	4120	Leadership and Group Dynamics	MGT 4472 Advanced Organizational Behavior	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	4905	Independent Study in Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	

ELECTIVE COURSES With the approval of an advisor, select 12 credits from the following

MAN	3301	Human Resource Management	MGT 3375 Human resource Management	Required in TSU Program
MAN	3441	Conflict Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3522	Quality Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4741	Change Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3320	Employee Staffing	MGT 4481 Staffing	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	3350	Training and Development	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4401	Labor-Management Relations	MGT 4477 Labor Relations	Required in TSU Program
MAN	4330	Management and Compensation	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3__	Project Cost Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4__	Government Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4__	Private Sector Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4__	Internship/Work Experience	BAN 4499 Internship	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	4__	Quality Certification: ISO 9000	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4905	Independent Study in Business	BAN 4493 Guided Ind. Study in Business	Elective in TSU Program
ETI	4700	Occupational Safety	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	49__	Special Topics in Project Management	MGT 3379 Special Topics in Management	Elective in TSU Program
Total 120 Credits in Program			Total 120 Credits in Program	

SUMMARY COMPARISON FOR THIS AREA OF EMPHASIS

- ◆ **Core Courses:** 25% of coursework (2 courses) not available at TSU
- ◆ **Emphasis Courses:** 50% of coursework (1 course) not available at TSU
- ◆ **Elective Courses:** 63% of coursework (10 courses) not available at TSU

EMPHASIS IN QUALITY MANAGEMENT

(CORE COURSE COMPARISON IS THE SAME AS OTHER AREAS OF EMPHASIS)

REQUIRED EMPHASIS COURSES			Comparison to Troy State BAS in Resource Management
MAN	3522	Quality Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course
MAN	3__	Project Cost Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course
MAN	4__	Quality Certification: ISO 9000	No Comparable Required or Elective Course

ELECTIVE COURSES -- With the assistance of an advisor, select 9 credits from the following

MAN	3301	Human Resource Management	MGT 3375 Human resource Management	Required in TSU Program
MAN	3441	Conflict Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4741	Change Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3320	Employee Staffing	MGT 4481 Staffing	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	3350	Training and Development	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4401	Labor-Management Relations	MGT 4477 Labor Relations	Required in TSU Program
MAN	4330	Management and Compensation	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4120	Leadership and Group Dynamics	MGT 4472 Advanced Organizational Behavior	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	4__	Government Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4__	Private Sector Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4__	Internship/Work Experience	BAN 4499 Internship	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	4905	Independent Study in Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4905	Independent Study in Business	BAN 4493 Guided Ind. Study in Business	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	49__	Special Topics in Project Management	MGT 3379 Special Topics in Management	Elective in TSU Program
ETI	4700	Occupational Safety	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
Total 120 Credits in Program			Total 120 Credits in Program	

SUMMARY COMPARISON FOR THIS AREA OF EMPHASIS

- ◆ **Core Courses:** 25% of coursework (2 courses) not available at TSU
- ◆ **Emphasis Courses:** None of the emphasis coursework is available at TSU
- ◆ **Elective Courses:** 53% of coursework (8 courses) not available at TSU

**EMPHASIS IN
TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT/HUMAN RESOURCES**

(CORE COURSE COMPARISON IS THE SAME AS OTHER AREAS OF EMPHASIS)

REQUIRED EMPHASIS COURSES			Comparison to Troy State BAS in Resource Management	
MAN	3301	Human Resource Management	MGT 3375 Human resource Management	Required in TSU Program
MAN	3320	Employee Staffing	MGT 4481 Staffing	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	3350	Training and Development	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4330	Management and Compensation	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	

ELECTIVE COURSES With the assistance of an advisor, select 6 credits from the following

MAN	3441	Conflict Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	3522	Quality Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4741	Change Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4__	Quality Certification: ISO 9000	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4120	Leadership and Group Dynamics	MGT 4472 Advanced Organizational Behavior	Elective in TSU Program
GEB	4__	Internship/Work Experience	BAN 4499 Internship	Elective in TSU Program
MAN	3__	Project Cost Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4__	Government Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4__	Private Sector Acquisition/Contracting	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	4401	Labor-Management Relations	MGT 4477 Labor Relations	Required in TSU Program
MAN	4905	Independent Study in Management	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
GEB	4905	Independent Study in Business	BAN 4493 Guided Ind. Study in Business	Elective in TSU Program
ETI	4700	Occupational Safety	No Comparable Required or Elective Course	
MAN	49__	Special Topics in Project Management	MGT 3379 Special Topics in Management	Elective in TSU Program
Total 120 Credits in Program			Total 120 Credits in Program	

SUMMARY COMPARISON FOR THIS AREA OF EMPHASIS

- ◆ **Core Courses:** 25% of coursework (2 courses) not available at TSU
- ◆ **Emphasis Courses:** 50% of coursework (2 courses) not available at TSU
- ◆ **Elective Courses:** 64% of coursework (9 courses) not available at TSU