

# UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG

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## Montana State University Billings

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## Student Learning Outcomes

MSU Billings understands that student success and student learning take place inside and outside the classroom. The ability to assess and measure that success is imperative. To assure that the University's programs continue to meet the needs of both the students and the community, MSU Billings engages in ongoing review and revision of its assessment processes. This regular review process has resulted in the revision of the university's academic programs, including the general education program, as articulated in this catalog.

## Degree Levels

Montana State University Billings offers pre-professional and certification programs and awards degrees at the associate's, bachelor's, and master's degree levels. MSU Billings also offers post-master's (non-degree) supervisor endorsement programs in Reading K-12 and Special Education K-12.

## Accreditation

Montana State University Billings is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). It is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) for preparing elementary and secondary teachers and school counselors through the Bachelor of Science and Master of Education degrees and the Master of Science in Special Education degree.

Programs in the College of Business are accredited through the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). MSU Billings is also accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD), the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The City College nursing program is accredited and approved by the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA) and the Montana Board of Nursing. Additional programs at City College are also accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC), the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), and the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSP). Please see the City College Catalog for additional accreditation information about the City College programs.

## Faculty

MSU Billings faculty have expertise in many areas and approximately ninety-one percent hold the highest degrees in their fields. They contribute a number of articles each year to academic and professional journals in their fields and participate with their peers regionally, nationally, and internationally at conferences and seminars.

Each year they receive grants ranging from Fulbrights for study abroad to those for the investigation of human and scientific information. Because the faculty is involved in research, students may also become involved in research including the presentation of findings at conferences and the publication of papers in journals. Because the faculty is involved with their peers, students are exposed to the latest information in each discipline. Because the faculty is involved in communicating with their colleagues around the country, they also continue being involved in expressing those ideas to students.

## Diversity

MSU Billings supports all members of the University community in their individual growth toward confidence, individual sense of purpose, and acceptance of civic responsibilities. MSU Billings' actions are ethical and principled to assure dignity and equity for all. MSU Billings seeks to increase staff, faculty, and student awareness, understanding, and involvement in the international community. MSU Billings is committed to providing an intellectual and social environment that supports and nurtures diversity awareness and cultural consciousness.

## Academic Calendar

The academic year consists of Fall and Spring semesters. The summer term has its own calendar.