The Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.) degree at the University of Montana (UM) is designed for individuals who have completed an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree with a 2.50 grade point average at a regionally accredited institution. (The Missoula College section of the University of Montana-Missoula catalog identifies Associate of Applied Science degree programs offered at The University of Montana.) Individuals pursuing the B.A.S. are those who are seeking additional education to strengthen their planned or previous training and improve career advancement opportunities.

As part of the B.A.S. curriculum, students must develop a degree plan tailored to their academic and professional goals. Due to the nature of the B.A.S., many plans are interdisciplinary in nature (i.e. consist of courses from multiple disciplines). Students initially meet with a B.A.S. advisor at Missoula College for assistance in developing their degree plan curriculum. After drafting their plan, students create a degree plan committee that consists of faculty members from disciplines represented in the plan. This committee provides final approval of the plan.

Bachelor of Applied Science students must meet all the University of Montana requirements for graduation. Up to 50 technical credits from an accredited A.A.S. program will count toward the 127 total credits required for graduation.

Any courses taken as part of the A.A.S. that can count towards UM General Education Requirements (e.g. certain writing, psychology, math, and communication courses) are not considered technical and, hence, are not included in this 50 technical credit maximum.

It is important to understand that the B.A.S. degree does not identify a specific discipline major. Even though some plans may consist of courses from one sole discipline, the student is NOT a major in that discipline. Hence, the B.A.S. student’s transcript and diploma will not indicate a specific major or concentration area.

Although students submit their application for admission to and are initially advised through Missoula College, B.A.S. students are enrolled through the mountain campus and, as such, are assessed UM-Missoula tuition rates.

Students interested in pursuing the B.A.S. degree should review the Missoula College Academic Advising Center’s B.A.S. webpage (http://mc.umt.edu/aac/BAS/default.php) for informational resources and to learn how to request an initial advising appointment.

**Bachelor of Applied Science - Applied Science**

**College of Humanities & Sciences**

Degree Specific Credits: **127**

Required Cumulative GPA: **2.0**
Literary & Artistic Studies (L)
Rule: A minimum of three credits is required.

Historical & Cultural Studies (H)
Rule: A minimum of three credits is required.

Social Sciences (S)
Rule: A minimum of three credits is required.

Ethical & Human Values (E)
Rule: A minimum of three credits is required.

Democracy and Citizenship (Y)
Rule: A minimum of three credits is required.

Cultural and International Diversity (X)
Rule: A minimum of three credits is required.

Natural Sciences (N)
Rule: A minimum of six credits is required. At least one course must have a laboratory component.

Writing Skills
Rule: Both WRIT 101 AND an Approved Writing Course are required.

Note: NOTE: Students who place into and successfully complete WRIT 201 are considered to have satisfied both the WRIT 101 and the Lower-Division Approved Writing Course General Education Requirements.

Minimum Required Grade: C-

6 Total Credits Required

WRIT 101
Rule: Take 1 of the courses below.

Note: Appropriate placement into WRIT 101/WRIT 201 required. Prerequisites may apply.

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Total Hours 3

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Foreign Language
Rule: Successful completion of first-year sequence of a Modern and Classical Language (MCLL).

Note: A first-year sequence usually consists of courses numbered 101 & 102 (5 credits each) for most catalog-approved languages, though some exceptions to this course numbering and sequencing apply. Depending on the language, students may take a placement test to demonstrate proficiency to receive non-credit exemption from this requirement. Refer to the General Education Requirements (http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/general-education-requirements) section of this catalog and speak with your advisor for more information.

Upper-Division Credit Requirement
Rule: 39 upper-division courses required for UM GERs. At least 30 of the 39 upper-division credits must be from the degree plan.

39 Total Credits Required

Upper-Division Writing
Rule: At least one upper-division writing course is required for UM GERs.

Note: This course may be included as part of the student’s degree plan or total Upper-Division Credits.

3 Total Credits Required

AAS Degree Credits
Rule: Up to 50 technical credits earned from AAS may be counted towards the 127 required for the BAS.

Minimum Required Grade: C-

38-50 Total Credits Required