Additional Info The BMS provides those who want to further their education and career possibilities by broadening their expertise beyond a single area of concentration. Instead of a traditional major or major and minor, the BMS allows students to choose three minors to complete their degree. Students select the coursework that appeals to them in a variety of disciplines and combine them, creating their own specialized degree. Students completing the BMS program will be able to apply the knowledge and skills to: expand their career and employment opportunities as a result of a multidisciplinary education; and continue their studies in a graduate degree or post-baccalaureate professional program being fully prepared with the analytical skills necessary to success within demanding and highlycompetitive fields.

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ADVICE & SUPPORT	 Meet with your academic advisor and bring your orientation folder with you to every session! Choose three minors with confidence- Visit my.UTRGV.edu and check out the available minors: Visit utrgv.edu, click "Academics" tab, then "Undergraduate", then select "Minors and Certificates". Visit a faculty member during their office hours and ask a question about class. Classes fill up fast. When registration opens, be sure to register on the first day for your group. 	 □ Be sure you have identified the three minors you will use for your degree. Ideally, these minors should complement each other to create a rigorous, interdisciplinary degree plan. □ Come ready with course suggestions and questions when you visit your academic advisor. □ Visit the Communication Hauser Lab for help with your speeches. □ Trouble making your tuition payment? The Financial Aid Office can help. Payment plans and emergency loans are also available 	 Seek out research opportunities within your minors and join a professional organization that relates to these disciplines or your target career. Check DegreeWorks to make sure you are on track for graduation next year. Apply for internship and/or job shadowing opportunities. Discuss this with your advisor, faculty mentor, or Career Center. 	 □ Discuss future plans with your faculty mentors or advisors that includes employment, finances, and other life goals. □ Apply for graduation one semester prior to your anticipated date. Visit the Academic Advising Center to ensure you are on track. 	Sec Edu • Cor Edu
APPLY WHAT YOU LEARN	 □ Cold or flu getting you down? We have Student Health Services on campus with free office visits. □ Look for a service-learning course! For guidance, visit Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office. □ Participate in a campus-sponsored community service project. □ Ask a student in class to study with you. 	☐ To find undergraduate research opportunities, visit the Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office. ☐ Consider attending the LeaderShape Institute or attend the Engaged Scholar Symposium.	☐ Go show off your research, service-learning or creative works at the Engaged Scholar Symposium! ☐ Sharpen your writing skills! Take an intensive writing course such as Business and/or Technical Writing (ENGL 3343 and/or ENGL 3342).	☐ Continue to present research or creative works at the Engaged Scholar Symposium. ☐ Set up an informational interview with an individual (especially an alumnus) currently in the field you aspire to work in. Your faculty mentor(s) should be able to help you connect with someone. Being a member of a profession organization can also put you in contact with numerous	0
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LIFE AFTER GRADUATION	 □ Create a résumé and set up your profile on the Career Connection icon: (My.UTRGV.edu). □ Got summer plans? Visit Career Center and ask about places to do some job shadowing. □ Research shows that students who work on campus perform better than those who work off campus. Look for a job on the Career Center portal! □ Check your UTRGV email for the daily Messenger- locate and attend one student workshop. 	□ Update your resume in Career Connection and have it reviewed. □ Visit the Career Center site to find a job fair to attend. At the event, approach a recruiter and discuss internships. Begin reading job ads in the career you hope to pursue. This research can help inform what elective courses you should take to enhance your employability. □ Explain to someone how your academic program	 □ Think about three people you can ask for letters of recommendation (professors, mentors, advisors, supervisors, etc.). Give them at least two weeks' advance notice! □ When is the deadline for your graduate school application? Visiting the program admissions webpage. Most do not accept late applicants! 	 ☐ Have you received your acceptance for graduate school or an employment offer? If not, network: talk to faculty, the Career Center, and get on LinkedIn. ☐ Formulate and implement a strategy for life after graduation: attend career fairs, graduate fairs, apply to fellowships, etc. ☐ Update your information with Alumni Relations. Enjoy alumni mixers, events and continued access to Career Center services! 	For addir Career C check o Wit www.utr

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