



This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding "critical courses" for this particular Program of Study.

| Critical                                   | Course Subject and Title   | Credit Hours | Min. Grade <sup>1</sup> | Major GPA <sup>2</sup> | Code             | Prerequisites  | Notes |
|--|--|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--|-------|
| <b>Semester One (16 Credit Hours)</b>      |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
| !  | ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition  | 3            | C                       |                        | CC-CMW           |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core ARP Requirement  | 3            |                         |                        | CC-ARP           |  |       |
| !  | RETL 265 Principles of Retailing   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | HRSM 101 HRSM Prof. Dev. Career Exploration Seminar                              | 1            |                         |                        | PR               |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup>   | 3            |                         |                        | CC               |  |       |
|  | UNIV 101 The Student in the University or Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup> | 3            |                         |                        | PR/CC            |  |       |
| <b>Semester Two (16-17 Credit Hours)</b>   |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
| !  | ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition  | 3            | C                       |                        | CC-CMW<br>CC-INF | C or better in ENGL 101  |       |
|  | Carolina Core ARP Requirement  | 3            |                         |                        | CC-ARP           |  |       |
| !  | RETL 261 Principles of Accounting I  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | HRSM 201 Professional Dev. Seminar   | 1            | C                       |                        | CR               | C or better in HRSM 101, passing grade in SPTE 195, or enrollment in the BAIS-Services Mgmt. Major |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup>   | 3            |                         |                        | CC               |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup>   | 3-4          |                         |                        | CC               |  |       |
| <b>Semester Three (16-17 Credit Hours)</b> |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
|  | RETL 262 Principles of Accounting II   | 3            | C                       |                        | CR               | C or better in RETL 261  |       |
|  | SPTE 240 Business Law  | 3            | C                       |                        | CR               |  |       |
|  | RETL 242 HRSM Professional Communications  | 3            | C                       |                        | CR               | C or better in ENGL 101 & 102  |       |
|  | HRSM 301 HRSM Adv. Prof. Dev. Seminar  | 1            | C                       |                        | CR               | C or better in HRSM 201  |       |
|  | Foreign Language <sup>4</sup> or other Carolina Core Req. <sup>3</sup>           | 3-4          |                         |                        | CC-GFL           |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup>   | 3            |                         |                        | CC               |  |       |
| <b>Semester Four (15 Credit Hours)</b>     |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
| !  | RETL 295 Retailing Practicum <sup>5</sup>  | 6            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 265  |       |
|  | RETL 340 Sustainability in Fashion and Retail                                    | 3            | C                       |                        | CR               |  |       |
|  | Foreign Language <sup>4</sup> or other Carolina Core Req. <sup>3</sup>           | 3            |                         |                        | CC-GFL           |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup> or Elective <sup>6</sup>                  | 3            |                         |                        | CC/PR            |  |       |
| <b>Semester Five (12 Credit Hours)</b>     |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
| !  | RETL 366 Retail Buying   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 261  |       |
|  | RETL 310 Digital Retailing   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 265  |       |
|  | HTMT 344 Human Resource Mgmt. in HRSM  | 3            | C                       |                        | CR               |  |       |
|  | SPTE 274 Computer Applications in HRSM   | 3            | C                       |                        | CR               |  |       |
| <b>Semester Six (12 Credit Hours)</b>      |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
|  | RETL 350 Sales Strategies  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | RETL 362 Principles of Customer Service  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | RETL Elective <sup>7</sup>   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup> or Elective <sup>6</sup>                  | 3            |                         |                        | CC/PR            |  |       |
| <b>Semester Seven (14 Credit Hours)</b>    |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
|  | RETL 465 Global Sourcing in Retail & Fashion                                     | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 261 & 265  |       |
|  | RETL 369 Retail Promotion  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | RETL 351 Retail Entrepreneurship   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
|  | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>3</sup> or Elective <sup>6</sup>                  | 3            |                         |                        | CC/PR            |  |       |
|  | Elective <sup>6</sup>  | 2            |                         |                        | PR               |  |       |
| <b>Semester Eight (12 Credit Hours)</b>    |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
|  | RETL 421 Retail Finance  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 262  |       |
|  | RETL 425 Customer Experience Management  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 265  |       |
|  | RETL 330 Asset Protection for Retailers  | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | C or better in RETL 265  |       |
|  | RETL Elective <sup>7</sup>   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               |  |       |
| <b>Summer (6 Credit Hours)</b>             |  |              |                         |                        |                  |  |       |
|  | RETL 495 Retailing Internship <sup>8</sup>                                       | 6            | C                       |                        | MR/CC-INT        | RETL 295   |       |

## Graduation Requirements Summary

| Minimum Total Hours | Minimum Major Requirements Hours | College & Program Requirements Hours | Carolina Core Hours | Minimum Institutional GPA |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 120                 | 54                               | 23-35                                | 31-43               | 2.00                      |

- Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.
- Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated below are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
- The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
- College of HRSM students must demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language by achieving a score of 2 or higher on the foreign language placement test, or credit equivalent to USC 109 and 110 courses, or credit equivalent to the USC 121 course.
- Supervised work experience in an area of the retail industry, selected by the student and approved by the Retailing Internship Director.
- The Retailing major curriculum includes 2-14 hours of approved (free) electives, depending on how students fulfill the Carolina Core requirements and whether or not students choose a minor.
- RETL Electives** (6 hours): Some RETL electives have prerequisites that must be completed. Check each course's description in the Bulletin for information. Select 2 of the following: **RETL 237, 268, 348, 365, 368, 460, 462, 485, 525, 535, 551, 562, 569, 590, 592.**
- Internship experience within the industry that prepares students for permanent placement. Students are responsible for securing their own internship and should contact the internship director for resources to identify opportunities of interest and to seek approval once an internship has been secured. Students are not permitted to enroll in RETL 495 without seeking the approval of the internship director first. It is strongly recommended that students not take additional courses while completing RETL 495. Students will not be permitted to enroll in more than 13 total hours while completing RETL 495.

## Program Notes:

- Courses designated as critical (!) may affect time to graduation due to prerequisite requirements for subsequent required courses.
- All undergraduate students must take a 3-credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade that covers the founding documents. This course may fulfill any requirement in the program of study. Courses that meet this requirement are listed in the academic [bulletin](#).
- Clarification of RETL 295: Retailing Practicum vs. RETL 495: Retailing Internship
  - RETL 295: Retailing Practicum—a practicum is a job in retailing or a closely-related field, for example, as a clerk or an associate in a store, boutique or gift shop, in an insurance or real estate company, in a bank or other financial institution, etc.
  - RETL 495: Retailing Internship—an internship gives the student more responsibility and an intense experience in retailing or a closely-related field and may take one of two forms:
    - the student is participating in an employer's formal internship program as an intern, or
    - the student is interning for an employer that does not have a formal internship program; however, the student is working in a position on a higher level than the practicum; for example, as an assistant manager, an assistant buyer, a manager trainee, etc.
  - Students must complete RETL 295: Retailing Practicum before they can enroll in RETL 495: Retailing Internship. Both are required for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Retailing.
- No courses of remedial, developmental, skill-acquiring, or vocational nature may apply as credit toward the Bachelor of Science Degree in Retailing.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

**University Requirements:** Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

| Codes:        |  |               |   |
|---------------|--|---------------|---|
| <b>CC</b>     | Carolina Core  | <b>CC-INF</b> | Carolina Core – Information Literacy                      |
| <b>CC-AIU</b> | Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding                             | <b>CC-INT</b> | Carolina Core – Integrative Course                        |
| <b>CC-ARP</b> | Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving                             | <b>CC-SCI</b> | Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy                       |
| <b>CC-CMS</b> | Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component   | <b>CC-VSR</b> | Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility |
| <b>CC-CMW</b> | Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component                | <b>CR</b>     | College Requirement                                       |
| <b>CC-GFL</b> | Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language | <b>MR</b>     | Major Requirement   |
| <b>CC-GHS</b> | Carolina Core – Historical Thinking  | <b>PR</b>     | Program Requirement                                       |
| <b>CC-GSS</b> | Carolina Core – Social Sciences  |               |   |

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.