

ACCOUNTING MAJOR

FOR STUDENTS WITH A MAJOR REQUIREMENT TERM OF SPRING 2026 OR EARLIER



College of
Management

OVERVIEW AND CAREER PATHWAYS

The Accounting major provides students with a broad understanding of both accounting theory and techniques in preparation for full range of career opportunities in the private, public and non-profit sectors of this rapidly expanding field. The curriculum reflects the knowledge and skills necessary for professional success in the dynamic and critical areas of public and private accounting.

The Accounting major prepares students for a variety of careers in public, private, and governmental/non-profit accounting, including budget analysis, financial accounting, managerial accounting, taxation, and auditing. The coursework is designed to assist students in preparing for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) examination. Graduates work in public accounting firms as well as in accounting and finance departments of corporations, government agencies, and non-profit organizations.

ACCOUNTING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

All Bachelor of Science degrees from the College of Management require at least 120 credits, which is typically completed by taking five 3-credit courses each semester. The requirements outside of this major are:

General Education and Non-Major requirements: some may overlap with each other or major requirements

- Verbal Reasoning & Expression: ENGL 101 & ENGL 102
- First Year Seminar (if entering with less than 30 cr)
- Intermediate Seminar¹: MGT 330
- Non-Business Foundation¹: ECON 101 & ECON 102
- Quantitative Reasoning course¹: MSIS 111L
- Writing Proficiency Requirement¹: BC 290
- Areas of Knowledge Distribution courses
- Diversity course
- International Management course
- 200-Level Non-Business course¹

¹These courses can overlap with other degree requirements

General Electives: 8 courses [24 credits]; may be used toward pre-requisite courses or fulfilled with transfer credit.

The requirements for this major, including the Business Core Requirements, are:

Business Core: 13 courses [39 credits]

- AF 210: Financial Accounting
- AF 211: Managerial Accounting
- AF 301: Introduction to Financial Management
- BC 290: Professional Written Communication & Critical Analysis
- MGT 303: Managing Organizations
- MGT 330: Business Environments & Public Policy
- MGT 331: Managerial Ethics and Social Issues
- MKT 301: Principles of Marketing
- MSIS 110: Introduction to Computers & Information Systems
- MSIS 111L: Managerial Statistics
- MSIS 212: Managerial Decision Making
- MSIS 301: Operations Management
- CAPSTONE: MGT 490: Strategic Management

Accounting Required Courses: 6 courses [18 credits]

- AF 310: Intermediate Accounting I
- AF 311: Intermediate Accounting II
- AF 315: Accounting Information Systems
- AF 363: Cost Accounting
- AF 450: Federal Taxation I
- AF 470: Financial Auditing

Accounting Electives: 1 course [3 credits]

- AF 330: Business Law
- AF 451: Federal Taxation II
- AF 478: Special Topics
- AF 480: Accounting Internship

As a declared Accounting Major you will have an assigned College of Management Academic Advisor from Orientation to Graduation. They will help you stay on track as you navigate these requirements and identify areas where they may overlap, while also meeting your personal and academic goals.

ADVISOR PRO TIP You may be able to use your General Electives to possibly pursue a 2nd major or minor within the College of Management. If this is of interest to you – bring it up at your next advising meeting!

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