

What Can I Do With a Major in.....

ACCOUNTING

Observation of an organization's accounts and fiscal trends provides valuable data to those in business who must make decisions and predictions based on the economy. Accountants maintain the financial records and supervise the recording of transactions of businesses, corporations and not-for-profit organizations, as well as governmental units. They design and maintain systems to record changes in assets and liabilities; supervise accounting for expenses, payment, purchases, and inventories; and prepare periodic tax and financial reports. Areas of possible concentrations in accounting include budgets, cost, taxes, systems accounting, systems design auditing and financial reporting. Accountants work with people and must be able to communicate orally and in writing. One of the major functions of accountants is to give advice to management on potential courses of action. The Bachelor of Science degree in accounting prepares the students for the Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination. This degree is a solid basis for employment as an accountant or in other business-related areas, such as economic analysis, credit analysis, marketing, personnel, banking or management of the total operation. Some students may elect further study in accounting, business or law.

Skills Associated with Accounting Majors:

Ability to work with computers
Independence
Skill with numbers
Ability to work alone and for long periods of time
Tendency toward analytical thinking
Capacity for precision, detail, order, patience, integrity, thoroughness
Proficiency in written and oral communication
Ability to:
Organize, analyze, or interpret numerical data
Operate/use information derived from computers
Explain complex financial data to others
Lead, supervise, and direct others

Sample Career Titles:

Actuary	Cost Accountant	Management Consultant
Assistant Controller	Credit and Collection Specialist	Methods and Procedures Specialist
Auditor	Entrepreneur	Payroll Manager
Bank Examiner	Estate Planner	Personal Financial Planner
Benefits Administrator	FBI Agent	Plant Accountant
Budgetary Control Analyst	Financial Analyst	Professor
Certified Public Accountant	General Auditor	Public Accountant
Chief Cost Accountant	Governmental Accountant	Securities Broker
Chief Financial Officer	Industrial Buyer	Stockbroker
CIA Agent	Internal Auditor	Systems Analyst
Claims Adjuster	International Trade Specialist	Tax Lawyer
Collection Agent	Inventory Control Specialist	Tax Specialist
Commercial Banker	IRS Investigator	Treasurer
Commodities Trader	Loan Administrator	Treasury Management Specialist
Consumer Credit Officer	Loan Officer	Trust Accountant
Controller	Logistics Specialist	Underwriter
Corporate Accountant	Managerial Accountant	

** Some careers may require further training and/or educational degree.

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