

ACCOUNTING

Overview

Degrees Offered: Program Certificate

Program Begins: Fall, Spring, Summer

Delivery Method: Online, On Campus

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Description

This program certificate is designed to meet specific industry skill sets and can be taken to begin or enhance your career. It provides an opportunity to participate in experiential learning to directly apply the concepts learned to an industry setting. This certificate can be taken as a stand-alone certificate or stacked toward an associate or bachelor's degree.

The certificate is designed to provide the student with an understanding of accounting standards and principles needed to carry out the fundamental tasks of the accounting occupation, providing information to clients by preparing, analyzing, and verifying financial documents.

Preparation

Once a student completes ACCT 200, Elements of Accounting I, they may take all remaining courses, except ACCT 305 and FIN 326 which have a prerequisite of ACCT 201. Students will gain skills in accounting, QuickBooks or Excel, business law, and finance, giving them a broad base of introductory knowledge.

Requirements

Students completing the required 16-credit curriculum will receive an Accounting Program Certificate. Many courses in the certificate may be applied toward an Associate in Arts or an Associate in Science degree in any business area; an Associate in Applied Science degree in Management, Management Entrepreneurship, Integrated Studies, or Financial Technologies; or a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Finance.

Career Opportunities

Career possibilities include entry level positions as accountants, financial analysts, financial planners, stock analysts, stockbrokers, auditors, entrepreneurs, business owners, managers, bankers, or investment bankers.

Degree Plans

- Accounting Program Certificate

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon graduation, Accounting students will be able to:

- Use technology and equipment to complete the accounting process.
- Show an understanding of the theory of debits and credits.
- Show an understanding of basic business organization.