



Accounting/Certificate

The accounting certificate is frequently taken by degree holding students interested in changing careers, uncommitted students exploring a new field of study, by entrepreneurs interested in keeping their own records, by existing accountants reentering the workforce after a long duration of time, by those eligible for a one-year workforce training, and by those completing their education in incremental steps. Interested students are on track to take the CPA examination after fulfilling the more advanced course requirements at a transfer institution. The certificate students are qualified to find entry level and/or higher level positions depending on their other academic qualifications including in accounts receivable, accounts payable, payroll, bookkeeping, and as accountants and auditors.

Successful graduates of the program will be able to:

1. Apply general principles of ethics to solve problems in the accounting business environment.
2. Analyze financial information to solve accounting problems using appropriate critical thinking skills.
3. Apply managerial Cost Accounting concepts and differential analysis to the management decision making process.
4. Prepare financial statements based on the knowledge of generally accepted accounting principles.
5. Explain tax concepts for various forms of business entities, and understand the role of taxation in the business decision-making process.
6. Communicate accounting information effectively, both orally and in writing, and apply information technology to the analysis and evaluation of financial data.