

MEASURE. INTERPRET. REPORT.

Accountants are financial experts who specialize in the measurement, interpretation, and reporting of financial information. Their expertise helps managers, investors, tax authorities, and individuals. They also plan yearly budgets, make investment decisions, prepare tax documents, and monitor results.

Accountants are crucial players in both large corporations and small business. Many professional organizations for accountants throughout the world are legally recognized in their jurisdictions. In the United States, qualified accountants are known as Certified Public Accountants (CPA's).



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ACCOUNTING



SET YOUR COURSE



ACCOUNTING PROGRAM AT VENTURA COLLEGE

The Ventura College Accounting program leads to a variety of opportunities in organizations in both the public and private sectors of our economy. Upon completion of the associate degree, students will be prepared for entry-level positions within organizations, be able to transfer to a baccalaureate program or possess the rudimentary information necessary to start their own business.

*High achievement always takes place in
the framework of high expectation.*

~ Charles Kettering

WHAT CAN I LEARN?

Upon successful completion of the accounting program, students will demonstrate an understanding of basic accounting principles and procedures as well as the role of accounting and bookkeeping within various business organizations. They will also be able to analyze, process, and report financial information within established normal and computerized protocols. Finally, students will be able to identify the importance of ethics and social responsibility in the accounting profession.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The working environments can be greatly explored with a variety of employers as well:

- Bank
- Brokerage House
- Chemical Manufacturer
- College/University
- Construction Firm
- Consulting Firm
- Credit Union
- Engineering Firm
- Finance Company
- High Technology Company
- Hospital
- Insurance Company
- Manufacturing Company
- Nonprofit Organization
- Pharmaceutical Company
- Private/Public Accounting Firm
- Service Organization
- Transportation Company
- Wholesale/Retail Operation

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The Accounting certificate program contains coursework in financial and computerized accounting, managerial accounting, and international business and business communications. Completing the program will provide students with the skills necessary for employment in the following positions. More upper division courses are required for some employment positions:

- Accountants
- Actuary
- Auditors
- Bank Officers
- Bookkeepers
- Budget Accountants
- Controllers
- Cost Accountants
- Certified Public Accountant
- Credit Manager
- Educator (High School/College)
- Government Accountant
- Government Auditor
- Information System Auditor
- Insurance Adjuster
- Internal Auditor
- Internal Revenue Agent
- Materials Manager
- Nonprofit Accountant Operations Manager
- Payroll Manager
- Plant Accountant
- Property Accountant
- Purchasing Agent Tax Accountants
- Tax Preparer/Planner
- Treasurer



REQUIRED COURSES

BUS V03 Introduction to Accounting	4
BUS V01A Financial Accounting	3
BUS V08 Computerized Accounting	3
BUS V17 Computer Applications	3

REQUIRED ADDITIONAL COURSES

Select two (2) of the following courses:

BUS V01B Managerial Accounting	4
BUS V30 Introduction to Business	3
BUS V43 Introduction to International Business	3
BUS V45 Business Communications	3

TOTAL 19-20

Recommended courses: In addition to the required courses listed above, it is recommended that students who seek to obtain additional insight into the field of study consider taking one or more of the following courses: BUS V07A and V07B. Although these supplemental courses may be of value to the student, please note that they do NOT satisfy the requirements for this degree.

EARNINGS

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts that accountants at all levels will enjoy the second highest percentage increase in employment opportunities for the foreseeable future. For information regarding employment and earnings, visit the US Bureau of Labor Statistics webpage:

<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/Business-and-Financial/Accountants-and-auditors.htm#earnings>

