

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION > PUBLIC ACCOUNTING

With a public accounting education, you can use your math and analytical skills and interests to serve the public. Become a public accountant that everyone trusts, and you'll be sought out time after time. After earning your degree from Wayne State, you'll be prepared to sit for the CPA exam in Nebraska (and most other states), which you must pass in order to officially become a CPA (certified public accountant). Your education at Wayne State will provide you with a solid foundation in the technical areas of accounting, taxes, and auditing, to help you understand what the numbers mean. You'll learn how to suggest and implement business strategies, how to identify financial statement deficiencies or accounting inefficiencies, and how to assess fraud risks. We develop graduates who are able to see the big picture, but who do not neglect details. Class activities and project-based learning provide you opportunities to use technology, solve problems, prioritize to meet deadlines, and work effectively in teams. Through our public accounting degree program, Wayne State builds polished professionals of high integrity for placement in business, public accounting firms, governmental entities, or non-profit organizations.

Fast facts

Hours:

49 hours for concentration
30 hours in general education

At least 120 hours are required for graduation from Wayne State College. You may add a second major, minor, or electives to help meet these requirements.

Degrees offered: B.A. or B.S.

Department: Business and Economics

School: Business and Technology

Internship: Encouraged but not required

Popular minors: Management Information Systems, Criminal Justice, Spanish

focus on results

Skills Learned

- Financial analysis, budgeting, and forecasting
- Understanding and generating financial reports
- Fundamentals required to prepare tax returns
- Tax research and planning methods
- Familiarity with audits and assurance services
- Internal control, evaluation, and handling deficiencies
- Business management and leadership
- Legal and ethical standards of business
- Principles of business marketing
- Presentation and public speaking
- Assist in fraud examinations

Possible Careers

- CPA
- Tax preparer and consultant
- Accounting systems specialist
- Chief financial officer
- Financial advisor
- Auditor
- Forensic accountant
- Fraud investigator
- Risk management specialist
- Budget analyst
- Internal auditor
- Controller

Types of Employers

- CPA firms
- Businesses corporations
- Private organizations
- Government agencies
- Non-profit organizations
- Educational institutions
- Software/tech companies
- Hospitals / medical clinics
- Manufacturing companies
- Law firms
- Banks / financial institutions
- Self-employment

outside the classroom



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Activities / Opportunities

- Peer tutoring and mentoring
- Study Abroad
- Service-Learning

Clubs / Organizations

- Delta Sigma Pi
- Phi Beta Lambda
- Pi Omega Pi
- Sigma Beta Delta
- Society for HR Management (SHRM)

Sample program of study

2020-21 Academic Year

Every effort is made to ensure this information is current, but please be aware that some content may have changed. There is no substitute for developing a careful course registration plan in consultation with your advisor. The class sequence listed is suggested only. The final decision rests with the student and academic advisor.

Freshman/Sophomore

BUS 208 Business Communications.....	3
BUS 222 Business Law I.....	3
BUS 223 Business Law II (sophomore, spring).....	3
BUS 226 Business Statistics.....	3
BUS 240 Accounting I.....	3
BUS 241 Accounting II.....	3
BUS 260 Management Theory and Practice.....	3
BUS 262 International Business.....	3
BUS 270 Principles of Marketing.....	3
CIS 231 Database Software (sophomore, fall).....	3
CIS 232 Spreadsheet Software (sophomore).....	1
CNA 100 Principles of Human Communication.....	3
ECO 203 Principles of Microeconomics.....	3
ECO 202 Principles of Macroeconomics.....	3
ENG 102 Composition Skills.....	3
General Studies courses	

Junior - 1st semester

BUS 322 Managerial Finance.....	3
BUS 340 Internal Financial Reporting.....	3
BUS 347 External Financial Reporting.....	3

Junior - 2nd semester

BUS 342 Accounting Information Systems.....	3
BUS 348 External Financial Reporting Standards.....	3
BUS 352 Operations and Supply Chain Management.....	3

Senior - 1st semester

BUS 408 Business Ethics.....	3
BUS 418 Legal Environment of Business.....	3
BUS 440 Assurance Services.....	3

Senior - 2nd semester

BUS 445 Federal Tax Accounting I.....	3
CIS 430 Management Information Systems.....	3

Fifth-Year Senior - 1st semester

BUS 446 Federal Tax Accounting II.....	3
BUS 447 Accounting Analysis, Forecasting, and Decision Making.....	3

Fifth-Year Senior - 2nd semester

BUS 437 Fraud Examination / Forensic Accounting.....	3
BUS 444 Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting and Auditing.....	3

Note: BUS 420 Strategic Management (3) can be taken after 105 credit hours.

business and economics faculty



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