Accounting

A degree in accounting is one of the most versatile degrees in business. Accounting is a part of all aspects of every business and helps inform the decisions made by employees, investors and owners. Students are encouraged to prepare for certification examinations, such as the Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Management Accountant (CMA) and other exams.

The Accounting graduate can pursue a range of interesting and rewarding career paths in public accounting, private industry, consulting and governmental careers. Many CEOs began their careers in accounting, in jobs such as a Certified Public Accountant, Managerial Accountant, tax advisor and/or preparer, and auditor.

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About the College

The College of Business Administration delivers a professional business education that provides students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in the business world and in society. Accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the college offers undergraduate programs in accounting, marketing, management, computer information systems and more, along with traditional, executive and online Master of Business Administration degrees.
Degrees and Programs

• Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, with a concentration in Accounting
• Master of Business Administration
• Executive Master of Business Administration
• Online Master of Business Administration

Interesting classes you might take

Personal Financial Planning
Intermediate Accounting I
Accounting Research and Communication
Cost Accounting
Real World Accounting
Auditing
Income Tax Accounting
Computers in Accounting

Course Spotlight

ACC 4140:
Income Tax Accounting
Principles and concepts of federal income tax for individuals, corporations, and partnerships; underlying rationale; advance planning to minimize tax impact.

Go online to www.csustan.edu/Accounting for more course descriptions.

What you can learn

• Ways to systematically and analytically describe the activities of a business or other economic entity primarily in monetary terms
• How to provide useful information to managers, owners, investors, creditors, regulatory agencies and others concerned about such information
• How to analyze and record transactions, combine recorded data in useful ways and report results to those concerned

What you can earn

• Tax Accountant, $66,000
• Certified Public Accountant, $94,000
• Auditor, $76,000
Source: Indeed.com 2011

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Our faculty

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