

# Accounting Associate of Applied Science Tax Focus Area

Full-time, Fall Start

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Prepare for a career in accounting with a focus on tax preparation and tax enforcement issues, including learning the principles of accounting for corporate and partnership tax accounting and individual tax accounting.

**Title IV Financial Aid eligible:** Yes

## What can I do with this degree?

**Career options:** Seek a tax preparation or enforcement position with a small business, public accounting firm, government, or a corporation in almost any industry. By adding the Enrolled Agent certification, you increase your value to potential employers.

**Academic options:** This program may apply toward a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS). See an advisor.

### **CHOOSE YOUR COURSES WITH YOUR COLLEGE ADVISOR**

## Placement

Students must meet prerequisite standards before taking BUS 151 and WRT 154 required in the pathway below. If you are not prepared for these courses based on placement results you will need to take courses to build your skills prior to taking them. The sequence of courses follows.

Math: ICS 081 > BUS 151

Writing: ACL 080 > WRT 090 > WRT 154

If a MAT course higher than MAT 106 or WRT 101 are chosen, additional coursework may be needed.

## Semester Pathway

This pathway is a suggested sequence of courses for your program of study. Work with an advisor to develop a unique pathway for you based on your placement recommendations, any prior college courses and your specific situation.

**General Education Note:** When General Education (Gen. Ed.) credits are listed below, select from the appropriate General Education course list linked from the program website. Some programs recommend specific courses.

For this pathway, ensure that one Gen. Ed. course fulfills the C or G requirement.

**Note:** Due to the nature of the accounting and taxation industry, we recommend that students begin this program Spring semester so they graduate at the end of Fall semester. The industry does the majority of its hiring in the spring.

### **Semester 1 - Fall (Semester Total: 16 credits)**

**ACC 100:** Practical Accounting Procedures (3 credits)

**ACC 150:** Payroll Accounting (3 credits)

**ACC 204:** Individual Tax Accounting (3 credits)

**CSA 110:** Spreadsheets: Microsoft Excel (3 credits)

**STU 100:** College Study Skills (1 credit)

**Gen. Ed.:** CTE Mathematics and Science List. Recommend **BUS 151:** Mathematics of Business (3 credits)

**Semester 2 – Spring (Semester Total: 16 credits)**

**ACC 200:** Computerized Accounting I (3 credits)

**ACC 205:** Corporate and Partnership Tax Accounting (4 credits)

**ACC 211:** Financial Accounting (3 credits)

**ACC 292:** Volunteer Income Tax Preparation Field Experience (3 credits)

**Gen. Ed.:** CTE Communication List. Recommend **WRT 154:** Career Communications (3 credits)

**Semester 3 – Summer (Semester Total: 3 credits)**

**ACC 212:** Managerial Accounting (3 credits)

**Semester 4 – Fall (Semester Total: 12 credits)**

**ACC 206:** Topics in Tax Accounting (3 credits)

**ACC 207:** IRS Enrolled Agent (3 credits)

**ACC 233:** Cost Accounting (3 credits)

**Gen. Ed.:** CTE Social and Behavioral Science List. Recommend **ECN 150:** An Economic Perspective (3 credits)

**Semester 5 – Spring (Semester Total: 16 credits)**

**ACC 221:** Intermediate Accounting I (3 credits)

**ACC 281:** QuickBooks Computer Accounting (3 credits)

**ACC 296:** Independent Study in Accounting (1 credit)

**BUS 148:** Ethics in the Workplace (3 credits)

**Gen. Ed.:** CTE Other Communication List. Recommend **CMN 120:** Business and Professional Communications (3 credits)

**Gen. Ed.:** CTE Arts & Humanities List. Recommend **ART 105** (3 credits)

or **HIS 142:** History of the United States II (3 credits)

or **PHI 101:** Introduction to Philosophy (3 credits)

**PROGRAM TOTAL: 63 credits**

Program/Major/Concentration Codes: **AASACCOUNTIN/ACC**

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