

CPA ACCOUNTING

Overview

Degrees Offered: Program Certificate

Program Begins: Fall, Spring, Summer

Delivery Method: Online, On Campus

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Description

This certificate would consist of advanced accounting courses designed to help prepare students to take the CPA exam. The purpose of this certificate is to assist students currently working in CPA firms or businesses that do not have their CPA license but need it to advance in their careers. The expectation is that people would use this as a way to increase specific skills in a variety of areas, or to help them get to the required 150 credit hours needed to earn the CPA license, and to provide a continuation of their studies in their AAS, BS, or BAS degree, or taken as part of a student's curriculum before transferring.

Preparation

To be successful with this certificate it would be expected that students will have already taken courses such as ACCT 200 and ACCT 201 - Elements of Accounting I and II. Most students completing this certificate will be those nearing the completion of a 4 year accounting or finance degree or those who have been working in the industry and want to increase their knowledge in key areas.

Requirements

Students completing the required curriculum will receive a CPA Accounting Program Certificate. The courses offered in this certificate are designed to bring students up to the required 150 credit hours to be awarded their CPA License once they pass all parts of the CPA exam, and it is also designed to reinforce the knowledge needed to take and pass the exam.

Career Opportunities

There is a consistent demand for CPAs and accounting knowledge. Students who earn this certificate can have careers in accounting and work with other business and finance related industries.

Degree Plans

- CPA Accounting Program Certificate

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon graduation, CPA Accounting students will be able to demonstrate:

- Using the principles and theories of financial accounting, taxation, management accounting, and auditing in professional settings.
- Preparing financial budget reports.
- Analyzing financial performance.