Accounting A.S.

Business

TRANSFER DEGREE | M MIDDLETOWN CAMPUS | DL DISTANCE LEARNING

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The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP)
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Program Description

The Associate in Science degree program in Accounting prepares graduates to continue their education in accounting or finance at a four-year college or university.

Sudents learn the accounting cycle including preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Special projects teach analytical skills through finding, extracting and evaluating financial information to make sound decisions. Students use Excel extensively to solve a variety of accounting problems. The Financial Accounting Research System (FARS) database is introduced so that students can learn to research complex accounting issues, thus preparing them for both the CPA exam and professional practice as an accountant. Students may also complete an internship course which gives them the opportunity to build their resume and earn college credits.

Students entering the workforce after completing a baccalaureate degree in accounting benefit from a strong demand for accountants. Employment opportunities include positions in public accounting firms, private and public companies, government and not-for-profit agencies. Most will achieve the professional Certified Public Accountant (CPA) designation and many pursue graduate degrees.

This degree has been approved by ACBSP and SUNY NYS Education Department for online distance learning delivery. This does not mean that SUNY Orange offers every course in the program online; however, many are offered in this format. Please check the current credit course schedule for online DL virtual course listings offered each semester.

Program Outcomes

Students will:

- demonstrate knowledge of the accounting cycle, including preparation of financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).
- demonstrate analytical skills through finding, extracting and evaluating financial information to make sound business decisions.
- create and edit Excel spreadsheets to solve various accounting problems.
- explain the purpose and responsibilities of the professional accountant in the business community.
- express business information effectively in both oral and written form.
- learn critical thinking skills through an analytical business report project.

Admission Criteria

Admission to this program requires that students be high school graduates or have high school equivalency diplomas (HSEs).

Transfer Options

SUNY Orange has special relationships with upper-level colleges and universities for transfer. These transfer institutions include:

- Franklin University
- Marist College
- Mercy College
- Mount St. Mary College
- Pace University
- Ramapo College
- SUNY Albany
- SUNY Cortland
- SUNY Empire State College
- SUNY Institute of Technology
- SUNY New Paltz

Your Career Coach

Career opportunities exist in the following areas:

- CPA (certified public accountant)
- CMA (certified management accountant)
- financial analyst
- financial planner

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Accounting A.S. Gateway Courses:

- Gateway courses: BUS 161, ACC 153
- Key courses: BUS 161, ACC 153, ACC 154, BUS 203, ECO 201, ECO 202
- Electives: One Restricted SUNY Elective

Courses above have been recommended by the department to help introduce you to the program (Gateway courses) and guide you in selecting courses that will provide you with the best academic experience (Key courses and suggested Electives).

First Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 101	Freshman English 1 (G10A [w] & G11A)	P	3
MAT ___	Selected Math Course* (G1A)	P	3
BUS 161	Computer Applications for Business	P	3
ACC 153	Financial Accounting	P	4
_____	Restricted SUNY Elective**		3
	Total Semester Credits		16

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Become familiar with your MySUNY Orange (Degree Works, Gmail, Banner, LMS, alerts, and your academic information)

Second Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 102	Freshman English 2 (G7A & G12A)	P	3
MAT ___	Selected Math Course* (G1A)	P	3
ECO 201	Macro-Economics (G3A)		3
ACC 154	Managerial Accounting	P	4
Either	Principles of Marketing	P	
MKT 101			
Or	Principles of Management	P	3
MGT 201			
	Total Semester Credits		16

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Seek Academic Support Services/Tutoring
- Join the Business Club

Third Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ECO 202	Micro-Economics (G3A)		3
_____	SUNY Natural Sciences (G2A)		3
BUS 209	Diversity in Business (G6A)		3
BUS 201	Business Law 1		3
ACC 201	Intermediate Accounting 1	P	4
	Total Semester Credits		16

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Participate in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program
- Attend the Transfer Fair

Fourth Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
BUS 203	Business Communications (G10A [o] & G11A)		3
BUS 202	Business Law 2	P	3
ACC 202	Intermediate Accounting 2	P	4
Either	Business Statistics	P	
BUS 205			

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
Or	Accounting w/ Spreadsheet Applications	P	3
ACC 205			
ACC 220***	Accounting Internship***	P, P/C	(3)
	Total Semester Credits		13

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Audit your degree using Degree Works
- Apply for graduation

TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS: 61

Notes:

*Select one of the following pairs:(MAT 121 and MAT 122), (MAT 122 and MAT 120), (MAT 122 and MAT 205), (MAT 131 and MAT 205), (MAT 131 and MAT 120), (MAT 205 and MAT 120) OR (MAT 205 and MAT 206)

**Select one from four different SUNY lists: G4A (SUNY US History & Gov), G5A (SUNY World History), G8A (SUNY Arts) or G9A (SUNY World Languages)

*** This course is an additional, optional course and does not replace any other course in this program