ACCOUNTING, BBA

Program Description
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BBA Student Learning Goals and Objectives

- **G1. To Be Effective Communicators**
  - O1. Students will demonstrate the ability to identify the appropriate message purpose, select appropriate organization, provide sufficient supporting details, and use effective mechanics.
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  - O2. Students will demonstrate the ability to analyze multiple responses to issues.
  - O3. Students will demonstrate the ability to determine and support an appropriate decision.

- **G4. To Be Good Citizens**
  - O1. Students will demonstrate the ability to identify ethical concepts.

In addition, all Accounting Majors will demonstrate knowledge of key Accounting theories and concepts, and will apply these Accounting theories and concepts correctly.

Accounting Major
Student Learning Outcome: Students will demonstrate an understanding of the principles and practices common to the major areas of accounting.

Complete the Business Foundation Curriculum in the freshman and sophomore years.

General Requirements for BBA Degree

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   - UNIV 1101 First-Year Seminar I (1 sch)
   - UNIV 1102 First-Year Seminar II (1 sch)

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Full-time, First-Year Students

Core Curriculum Program

University Core Curriculum

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## Business Elective

### Upper-level Business Elective

**Accounting Electives**

- ACCT 4355
- ACCT 3321
- ACCT 3314
- ACCT 3312
- ACCT 3311

### Accounting Major Requirements

- ACCT 3310: Principles of Management
- ACCT 3315: Business Communications
- ACCT 4388: Business Strategy
- MISE 2305: Computer Applications in Business
- MISE 3310: Management Information Systems Concepts
- MKTG 3310: Principles of Marketing
- OPSY 4314: Operations Management
- ORMS 3310: Data Analysis and Statistics

### International Business Course

Select one of the following depending on the major:

- ACCT 3315: Multinational Entities: Accounting and Consolidations (for Accounting Major)
- ECON 3315: International Economic Issues (for Business Economics Major)
- FINA 4315: International Finance (for Finance Major)
- MGMT 4315: Multinational Management (for Management Major)
- BUSI 4310: International Business (for all other Majors)

### Accounting Major Requirements

- ACCT 3311: Intermediate Accounting I
- ACCT 3312: Intermediate Accounting II
- ACCT 3314: Cost Accounting
- ACCT 3321: Federal Income Tax I
- ACCT 4355: Accounting Information Systems
- ACCT 4311: Auditing Principles and Procedures

### Accounting Electives

Select 6 hours from the following:

- ACCT 3315: Multinational Entities: Accounting and Consolidations
- ACCT 3316: Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting
- ACCT 3317: Oil, Gas, & Energy Accounting
- ACCT 3322: Federal Income Tax II
- ACCT 3340: Fraud Examination
- ACCT 4314: Advanced Accounting Problems
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### Electives

- Upper-level Business Elective
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### Non-Business Elective

**Total Hours: 122**

1. Higher level mathematics course may be accepted as a substitute with approval
2. All Business Majors and Minors must complete BUSI 0011 Cob Student Code of Ethics and Plagiarism (0 sch) before or during their first semester enrolled in upper-division Business courses
3. MGMT 3315 Business Communications (3 sch), see Business Core, fulfills TSBPA’s communications education requirement. TSBPA requires 24 semester credit hours in business, 30 semester credit hours in upper level accounting courses, and 150 total semester hours. Students completing the Accounting BBA will have satisfied the business requirement but may need additional course work to meet the accounting education and total semester hour requirements. As of August, 1999, the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy will accept only 15 hours of online accounting courses toward the hours you need to sit for the CPA exam.
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6. ACCT 4345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives (3 sch) fulfills TSBPA’s ethics education requirement but it does not count toward TSBPA’s requirement for 30 semester hours of upper level accounting courses.

### BBA Accounting Online Completion

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  - 03. Students will effectively analyze data.

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Entry Requirements

Applicants who have completed 42 hours with a GPA of 2.0 or higher may be accepted into the Online Accounting BBA Completion Program. Students may transition into the upper division course sequence as they complete the University Core Curriculum Program and 60 hours including the following courses or their equivalents:

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MATH 1325    Calculus for Business & Social Sciences (Higher level mathematics course may be accepted as substitute with approval)

Non-Business elective

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Note: Additional electives may be available based upon student demand.

Business Electives

Upper-Level Business Elective

3

Total Credit Hours 60
Requirement for CPA Examination

Take the CPA Examination - The 150-Hour

Alternatives for Students Planning to take the CPA Examination - The 150-Hour Requirement for CPA Examination

1. Complete a BBA degree, majoring in Accounting, and complete the Master of Accountancy (MAcc).
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3. Complete a BBA degree, majoring in Accounting, take 6 or 9 semester hours of additional accounting courses as part of the business electives, and additional coursework to satisfy the 150 total semester credits requirement.

Pathway to the Master of Accountancy

Students who have been admitted into Master of Accountancy program and have fifteen or less student credit hours to complete the Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting may enroll in graduate accounting coursework with the approval of the Director of Masters Programs.

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Note:

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Additional Education Requirements

Communication Education Requirement

Select one of the following:

- MGMT 3315 Business Communications
- ACCT 5341 Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services
- ACCT 5381 Accounting Theory

Research Education Requirement

Select one of the following:

- ACCT 3321 Federal Income Tax I & ACCT 4311 Auditing Principles and Procedures
- ACCT 5371 Professional Accounting Research

Ethics Education Requirement

Select one of the following:

- ACCT 4345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives
- ACCT 5345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives

See the College of Business section of the Graduate Catalog for details on these programs. (An advanced degree is not currently required to meet the 150-hour standard for becoming a candidate for the CPA examination.) See the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy website for more information: https://www.tsbpa.state.tx.us.

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ACCT 4345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives (3 sch) and ACCT 5345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives (3 sch) do not count toward the 30 semester hours in upper level accounting requirement and a student may not take both ACCT 4345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives (3 sch) and ACCT 5345 Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives (3 sch).

Online offering

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Note:

Course prerequisites are strictly enforced.
ACCT 2301 Financial Accounting  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
TCCNS: ACCT 2301

ACCT 2302 Managerial Accounting  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
The use of accounting information as an aid to management decision making, including performance measurement and budgets.  
Prerequisite: ACCT 2301.  
TCCNS: ACCT 2302

ACCT 2306 State and Local Government  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  

ACCT 3311 Intermediate Accounting I  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
An intensive study of the balance sheet accounts and the related income statement accounts. It exposes the student to the various Accounting Principles Board opinions and Financial Accounting Standards Board statements, and International Financial Reporting standards, as these publications affect the various accounts and transactions. It covers the various working capital accounts and operational assets.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 2301 and 2302).

ACCT 3312 Intermediate Accounting II  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
A continuation of Intermediate Accounting I involving current and non-current liabilities and owner equity accounts, the Statement of Cash Flows, deferred income tax, financial statement analysis and several special problem areas.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 3311).

ACCT 3316 Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
A study of fund accounting used in governmental entities and non-profit organizations. Emphasis on budgetary and fund accounts.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 2301 and 2302).

ACCT 3317 Oil, Gas, & Energy Accounting  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
This course covers the basic principles of oil and gas accounting. Course topics include upstream oil and gas operations, successful efforts accounting, full cost pool accounting, accounting for production, exploration and construction, joint interest accounting, international operations, oil and taxation and analysis of oil and gas financial statements.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 3311).

ACCT 3321 Federal Income Tax I  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
Emphasizes the role of taxation in the business decision-making process. The course introduces the tools to conduct basic tax research and planning.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 2301 and 2302).

ACCT 3322 Federal Income Tax II  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours)  
Examines additional, more complex topics in business decision-making, tax research, and tax planning.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 3321).
ACCT 3340  Fraud Examination  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
This course covers the basic principles of fraud examination. Course topics include the behavioral aspects of fraud and common fraud schemes including skimming, larceny, check tampering, register disbursement schemes, billing schemes, payroll and expense reimbursement, non-cash misappropriations, corruption and bribery, and fraudulent financial statements.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 2301 and 2302).

ACCT 4311  Auditing Principles and Procedures  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
Auditing principles and techniques underlying the audit process; procedures used in conducting external audits, reviews and compilations.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 3312).

ACCT 4314  Advanced Accounting Problems  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
A study of advanced accounting topics, including leases, pensions, consolidations, asset retirement obligations, accounting for not-for-profit organizations and government entities and other special problem areas.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 3312).

ACCT 4345  Ethics for Texas CPA Candidates and Business Executives  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
This course will cover ethical theory, ethical reasoning, integrity, objectivity, independence and other core values and regulatory requirements associated with the practice of professional accounting and decision making of other executives, with an emphasis on corporate governance in the post-Sarbanes-Oxley regulatory environment. This course satisfies the ethics requirement of the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy (TSBPA); however, it does not count for advanced accounting hours required to sit for the CPA exam. Students who receive credit for ACCT 4345 cannot also receive credit for ACCT 5345.

ACCT 4355  Accounting Information Systems  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
A study of the role of accounting information systems and related subsystems in both for profit and not-for-profit entities. The relationship of accounting information systems to other systems, including management information systems, is addressed. Concepts are reinforced by the completion of computer-based projects.  
Prerequisite: (ACCT 2301, 2302 and MISY 2305).

ACCT 4390  Current Topics in Accounting  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
Selected topics for special study related to accounting functions, processes or issues. May be repeated for credit when topics vary.

ACCT 4396  Directed Individual Study  
1-3 Semester Credit Hours (1-3 Lecture Hours) 
Individual supervised study and completion of a final report.

ACCT 4398  Accounting Internship  
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture Hours) 
Supervised full-time or part-time, off-campus training in public accounting, industry, or government. Oral and written reports required.