BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION MAJOR: ACCOUNTING OPTION (B.S.)

Description

The Option in Accounting prepares students for careers in accounting and the qualifications to obtain certifications, such as certified public accountant (CPA), certified management accountant (CMA), and certified internal auditor (CIA). Accounting is called “the first language” of business for good reason: the fate of many products and marketing campaigns hinges on the financial officer’s final analysis. For this reason, successful accounting professionals often assume leadership roles within their companies.

Further, this option provides students with opportunities in a variety of fields, including internal audit, external audit, tax preparation and planning, and consulting. Demand for accountants is consistently strong. Students may also take advantage of the four-one (5 year) program to earn a M.S. in accounting at Paul College. Obtaining a master’s degree aids in preparation and eligibility for the CPA exam and is recommended for future career progression.

Requirements

A typical plan of study follows, showing the major-required courses. Students take 16-18 credits per semester. Discovery Program requirements (including the inquiry requirement in the first two years) and elective courses are taken as well. Students are expected to follow this course plan. In the first three semesters, students cannot take more than two major courses in a single semester. The options have additional requirements as noted. For a detailed schedule/plan of study for each option, students should check with the Paul College Undergraduate Programs and Advising Office for specific recommendations.