

FORENSIC ACCOUNTING MINOR

<https://manchester.unh.edu/program/minor/forensic-accounting>

Description

Opportunities for growth in the field of Forensic Accounting continue at an impressive rate. Career options for students who add the minor in Forensic Accounting can include investigative and litigation support to accounting firms, banks, police departments, government agencies and other organizations. The knowledge attained in this minor can help a homeland security expert or accountant investigate the rampant fraud that is often tied to homeland security or business threats, including non-accounting fraud issues.

In addition to following the knowledge content of the Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) certification exam offered by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, the skills attained in the Forensic Accounting minor will augment the students' potential in a variety of career opportunities in homeland security and fraud investigation. The CFE consists of four parts: Fraud Prevention and Deterrence, Financial Transactions and Fraud Schemes, Investigation, and Law. This credential is highly regarded in the security industry, corporate risk management, law offices, and in government agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Forensic Accounting minor will appeal to students who would like to add specialized skills to their Homeland Security degree. In addition, the Forensic Accounting minor can be used as a minor in other degree paths (except for the B.A. in Business, Accounting option). While it is not training students to pursue the CPA or careers more focused in traditional accounting, it can be used to expose students to the field of accounting.

Requirements

All five courses applied to the Forensic Accounting minor must be completed with a minimum grade of C- and an overall GPA of 2.0. Students must take at least three 500-level or above courses to complete the minor.

Code	Title	Credits
The following five courses are required for the Forensic Accounting minor:		
BUS 532 or ADMN 502	Introduction to Financial Accounting Financial Accounting	4
ECN 640 or HLS 520	Business Law and Economics ¹ Homeland Security Law and Policy	4
HLS 540	Prevention and Detection of Fraud	4
HLS 615	Introduction to Fraud Investigation	4
HLS 640	Forensic Accounting	4
Total Credits		20

¹ ECN 640 Business Law and Economics for Business majors;
HLS 520 Homeland Security Law and Policy for Homeland Security majors

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