



Accounting/Financial Services & Real Estate

Program

Accounting

The Accounting major is designed to prepare students for gainful employment in business and industrial accounting positions in three main areas: private organizations, governmental agencies and public accounting firms.

The aim of the program is to educate the student in the design, maintenance and utilization of a financial system. Emphasis on accounting systems and analysis of financial data from the managerial point of view constitutes a valuable part of the curriculum. In addition, much emphasis is placed on solving and setting up accounting problems utilizing popular computer software. Students will utilize an integrated accounting software program which simulates various business operations and employ tax software while preparing returns. Students completing work in the Accounting Program are granted an Associate Degree in Accounting. In addition, the degree complies with the educational requirements leading to the Certified Public Accountant certificate. Additional information regarding the CPA exam may be obtained from the program chair.

Financial Services

The Financial Services major provides an educational format designed to prepare students for work in all aspects of the banking and finance related industries. The framework for learning provides financial accounting and general business expertise. Students focus on specific financial topics including: financial analysis, lending, insurance, investing, financial planning, operations and bank management. This creates recognized, relevant coursework that optimizes employment opportunities.

Career Opportunities

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics 2010-11 Occupational Outlook Handbook, employment of accountants and auditors is expected to grow by 22 percent between 2008 and 2018, which is much faster than the average for all occupations. An increase in the number of businesses, changing financial laws and corporate governance regulations, and increased accountability for protecting an organization's stakeholders will drive job growth.

As the economy grows, the number of business establishments will increase, requiring more accountants and auditors to set up books, prepare taxes, and provide manage-

ment advice. As these businesses grow, the volume and complexity of information reviewed by accountants and auditors regarding costs, expenditures, taxes, and internal controls will expand as well. The continued globalization of business also will lead to more demand for accounting expertise and services related to international trade and accounting rules and international mergers and acquisitions. An increased need for accountants and auditors also will arise from a greater emphasis on accountability, transparency, and controls in financial reporting.

The median annual wages, including commissions, of salaried real estate sales agents were \$40,150 in May 2008. The middle 50 percent earned between \$27,390 and \$64,820 a year. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$21,120, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$101,860.

The Real Estate Certification Program at Rhodes State College can be your first step toward many different career opportunities in real estate. Careers often associated with licensed real estate agents include: loan originators, appraisers, surveyors, and home inspectors.

Transfer Agreements

Rhodes State College has articulation agreements with four-year institutions including: 1) a dual enrollment agreement with Franklin University that permits students to complete their Bachelor's Degree in Accounting or Finance without ever leaving the Rhodes State College campus; 2) Defiance College and 3) Lourdes College.

Potential Earnings

According to the 2010 Graduate Survey, 83% of the respondents indicated that they were employed with an average annual salary of \$32,000.

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Semester Curriculum*

Accounting Major

Course ID	Course Title	Contact Hours	Credit Hours
First Year First Semester			
ACC-1010	Corporate Accounting Principles	4	4
COM-1110	English Composition	3	3
CPT-1440	Internet Usage & Web Page Programming	1.5	1
CPT-1250	Computer Applications in the Workplace	4	3
MTH-1190	Finite Mathematics for Business	3	3
SDE 1010	First Year Experience	1	1
		Total 15	
First Year Second Semester			
ACC-1020	Managerial Accounting Principles	4	4
ACC-1050	Accounting Software Apps, QuickBooks	2	2
ACC-1121	Payroll Accounting	2	2
COM-1160	Business Communications	3	3
ECN-1430	Micro Economics	3	3
AOT-2640	Spreadsheet Software & Applications	3	2
		Total 16	
Second Year First Semester			
ACC-1440	Governmental & Non-profit Fund Acctg.	4	4
ACC-2010	Intermediate Accounting I	4	4
ACC-2250	Principles of Federal Income Tax	2	2
ACC-2290	Intermediate Income Tax	2	2
BUS-2100	Business Law	3	3
COM-2110	Public Speaking	3	3
		Total 18	
Second Year Second Semester			
ACC-2020	Intermediate Accounting II	4	4
ACC-2111	Cost Accounting	5	5
ACC-2401	Special Studies in Accounting	2	2
FIN-2400	Corporate Finance	3	3
HST-1620	American History Since 1877	3	3
		Total 17	
Total Program Credit Hours		66	

☞ = Portfolio Course

☞ = Capstone Course

*Rhodes State converts to semesters beginning Fall 2012; the quarter curriculum can be found at www.RhodesState.edu

Accreditation

This program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), 11520 West 119th Street, Overland Park, Kansas 66213.

Certificates

Real Estate Sales License Certificate

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hrs.
RST-1010	Real Estate Theory and Practice	3
RST-1100	Real Estate Law	3
RST-1200	Real Estate Finance	2
RST-2010	Real Estate Appraisal	2
Total Credit Hours		10

Other certificates are also available for this program including:

- Tax Preparer Certificate
- Accounting Clerk Certificate
- Financial Services- Healthcare Certificate
- Financial Services- Investments Certificate
- Financial Services- Banking Certificate

Gainful Employment

See www.RhodesState.edu/GainfulEmployment for additional information.

Financial Services Major

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First Year First Semester			
ACC-1010	Corporate Accounting Principles	4	4
COM-1110	English Composition	3	3
CPT-1250	Computer Applications in the Workplace	4	3
FIN-1010	Principles of Money & Banking	2	2
MTH-1190	Finite Mathematics for Business	3	3
SDE-1010	First Year Experience	1	1
		Total 16	
First Year Second Semester			
ACC-1020	Managerial Accounting Principles	4	4
COM-1160	Business Communications	3	3
CPT-1440	Internet Usage & Web Page Programming	1.5	1
ECN-1430	Micro Economics	3	3
FIN-1250	Personal Finance	3	3
FIN-2500	Health Care Finance	2	2
		Total 16	
Second Year First Semester			
ACC-2250	Principles of Federal Income Tax	2	2
COM-2110	Public Speaking	3	3
FIN-2070	Analyzing Financial Statements	2	2
FIN-2150	Financial Management	4	4
FIN-2200	Introduction to Investments	2	2
MKT-1010	Principles of Marketing	3	3
		Total 16	
Second Year Second Semester			
BUS-2100	Business Law	3	3
FIN-2400	Corporate Finance	3	3
FIN-2601	Special Studies in Finance	2	2
HST-1620	American History Since 1877	3	3
MGT-2430	Benefits	3	3
MKT-2210	Comprehensive Sales Techniques	3	3
		Total 17	
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