

# ACCOUNTING

## Bachelor of Business Administration

Accounting is the language of business. The Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting degree prepares students to compile financial information for decision-makers and provide financial advice in taxation, personal finance, and business for in-demand careers in public, private, governmental, healthcare, and non-profit environments. Students also explore tax, audit, and analytics. Areas emphasized include recording and reporting financial data, understanding state and federal tax laws and their effect on business decisions, auditing financial statements, and gathering and using data for planning and control within a managerial accounting context.

Accounting is the foundation of business; wherever there's money, there's an accountant. Benefiting the economic activity of any organization, the Wright School of Business accounting program will prepare you to interpret all financial data. Accounting students will be able to forecast growth and improve business functions. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, positions in accounting will grow by 4% by 2029, with an additional 61,800 positions needed in accounting and auditing.

WSOB students majoring in accounting have a variety of evolving fields to consider, including financial statement auditing, income tax preparation and planning, a compilation of financial statements, financial management, financial planning, environmental, financial analysis, federal law enforcement, forensic accounting, e-commerce accounting, retail accounting, and auditing. Positions accounting students aspire to include Actuary, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Controller/Comptroller, Environmental Accountant, Forensic Accountant, Non-Profit Accountant, Public Accounting Auditor or Tax Accountant, Financial Analyst, Tax Manager, and Sports Accountant.

Most students choose to pursue the CFE, CMA, CIA, or Certified Public Accountant (CPA) licensure. Students are required to complete at least 150 semester hours of college credit to sit for the CPA exam. Many students complete the additional 30 hours at Dalton State beyond their bachelor's degree. Accounting majors participating in the spring Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) will become certified using the IRS software and help students and the community prepare federal and state tax returns. This is a great resume-building activity, and all accounting majors are encouraged to participate.

## Program Course Requirements

Click here to view Core IMPACTS General Education Curriculum requirements (<http://catalog.daltonstate.edu/programs/coreimpacts/>).

### Program Advice (can share with CORE curriculum):

Required courses with grades of C or better required.

COMM 1110	Fundamentals of Speech	3
ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
MATH 1101	Intro to Mathematical Modeling	3
or MATH 1111	College Algebra	
or MATH 1113	Precalculus Mathematics	

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## Core IMPACTS General Education Curriculum requirements

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NOTE: Core IMPACTS courses can also satisfy requirements in your Program of Study. Please review the requirements for your major to prevent taking extra courses. The USG Core IMPACTS curriculum is designed to ensure that students acquire essential knowledge in foundational academic areas and develop career-ready competencies. There are seven Core IMPACTS areas. Students at all USG institutions must meet the Core IMPACTS requirements in all specified areas.

### Field of Study: Major Related \*

ACCT 2101	Principles of Accounting I	3
ACCT 2102	Principles of Accounting II	3
BUSA 2106	The Environment of Business	3
BUSA 2201	Fundamentals of Computer Appli	3
BUSA 2850	Business Statistics	3
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	3

### Business Core\*

BUSA 3060	Business Law	3
BUSA 3301	Business Communications	3
BUSA 3351	International Business	3
BUSA 3531	Data Cleaning & Visualization	3
BUSA 3701	Prof Development Seminar	3
FINC 3056	Principles of Finance	3
LSCM 3251	Principles of Supply Chain Mng	3
MARK 3010	Principles of Marketing	3
MNGT 3051	Principles of Management	3
MNGT 4701	Strategic Management (Senior Requirement) <sup>+</sup>	3

### Accounting Core\*/\*\*

ACCT 3100	Intermediate Accounting I	3
ACCT 3200	Intermediate Accounting II	3
ACCT 3300	Tax Accounting & Reporting I	3
ACCT 3600	Accounting Information Systems	3
or MGIS 3351	Principles Mgmt Info Systems	
ACCT 4100	Intermediate Accounting III	3
ACCT 4300	Tax Accounting & Reporting II	3
ACCT 4400	Cost Accounting	3
ACCT 4501	Auditing	3

### Accounting Electives\*/\*\*

Choose two of the following electives: 6

#### Regularly Offered Courses

ACCT 3500	Forensic Accounting
ACCT 3800	Understanding Financial Statem

#### Unscheduled Accounting Electives

ACCT 4700	Independent Study in Acct (courses available with faculty sponsor)
ACCT 4800	Special Topics in Accounting (may occasionally be offered)
ACCT 4900	Accounting Internship (requires preapproval from Internship Coordinator)

**Total Hours**

**120**

\* Grade of C or better required.

\*\*Students seeking a bachelor's degree in accounting may transfer in up to six credits of upper division hours (2 courses) in the accounting core and/or upper division accounting electives.

+ Senior Requirement must be completed at Dalton State College during graduation term. If a student is graduating in the summer semester the course must be taken in the spring term.