

ACCOUNTING AND BUSINESS ANALYSIS (BBA)

The University of St. Francis offers a highly regarded bachelor's degree program in accounting.

As an Accounting and Business Analysis major, you'll learn the language of business – to think analytically and to measure, process, and communicate financial information. You'll also learn to use the core accounting skills, an analytical mindset, and the technological skills to be ready for careers in accounting and business analysis and especially, for the rapidly changing competencies and skills required of the modern CPA. Most importantly, St. Francis will prepare you to enhance the accounting and business analysis profession through your hands-on experience, leadership and service.

The demand for accounting professionals is expected to grow 7% through 2030, according to the BLS. Accounting and Business Analysis majors typically earn some of the highest starting salaries for students with bachelor's degrees.

Accounting and Business Analysis majors are encouraged to supplement their BBA in accounting by planning to sit for the CPA, CMA, or other professional examinations. Students planning on sitting for the CPA exam should be aware that 30 credit hours of accounting will be required. An added benefit, seniors who feel inspired to keep studying to obtain an MBA or M.S. degree may take graduate-level courses during their last two semesters for dual undergraduate and graduate credit. That means students can take nine graduate-level credit hours during senior year, and can complete their MBA or M.S. one year after graduating if they attend full time.

B.B.A./CPA Option

In Illinois (and most states) individuals must have 150 credit hours of college credit to sit for the Uniform CPA exam. USF bachelor degrees require only 120 hours. With careful planning, students may reach 150 hours and be eligible to sit for the CPA exam upon graduation. Through a combination of taking extra hours in most semesters and some summer or advanced placement credit, students can graduate with 150 hours of credit. Alternatively, students can plan to pursue an advanced degree (see BBA/MBA Five-Year Option below) in business or accounting to attain the additional required hours.

B.B.A./Masters Five-Year Option

In the final two semesters before graduation, senior business majors who intend to continue with a College of Business and Health Administration Master's degree, at the University of St. Francis, may take up to nine credit hours of graduate level HSAD, MBAD, MGMT, or TDEV courses to meet undergraduate requirements. The students will be required to complete the graduate level work in each class. Although these credit hours will remain on the student's undergraduate transcript, these credit hours/course requirements will be considered as complete in the appropriate graduate program. Students who take a minimum of nine graduate level credit hours in their senior year are eligible to complete their master's degree in one-year (attending full-time). Permission must be obtained from both the undergraduate and graduate business advisors to utilize this option.

National Honor Society

The undergraduate business programs provide students with the opportunity to be a member of Delta Mu Delta, an international honor society in business administration with a growing membership of 150,000. For membership, students must have completed over 60 credit hours and be in the top 20% of their class with a minimum cumulative 3.25/4.0 GPA.

Major Program (63-78 credit hours)

Code	Title	Hours
Required Business Core Courses ¹		
ACCT 125	Financial Accounting	3
ACCT 126	Managerial Accounting	3
BSAD 201	Business Law I	3
BSAD 250	Business Driven Technology	3
BSAD 276	Business Statistics	3
BSAD 495	Business Policy	3
or MBAD 635	Business Policy	
ECON 101	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 102	Principles of Microeconomics	3
FINC 242	Principles of Finance	3
MATH 121	Finite Mathematics	3
MGMT 150	Management and Organizational Behavior	3
MKTG 175	Principles of Marketing	3
Required Accounting and Business Analysis Courses		
ACCT 315	Intermediate Accounting I	3
ACCT 317	Accounting Taxes for Business Entities and Individuals	3
ACCT 327	Accounting Information Systems	3
ACCT 330	Auditing	3
ACCT 498	Accounting Internship	0-15
BSAD 278	Introduction to Business Analytics	3
MGMT 350	Corporate Communications	3
Accounting and Business Analysis Electives		
Select nine hours from of the following:		9
ACCT 230	Cost Accounting (3)	
ACCT 316	Intermediate Accounting II (3)	
ACCT 331	Information System Auditing (3)	
ACCT 333	Fraud and Forensic Accounting (3)	
ACCT 336	Advanced Accounting (3)	
ACCT 369	Financial Statement Analysis (3)	
or MBAD 629	Financial Statement Analysis (3)	
ACCT 493	Accounting Lab (1-3)	
ACCT 494	Topics (1-4)	
ACCT 496	Directed Study (1-3)	
ACCT 498	Accounting Internship (0-15)	
BSAD 202	Business Law II (3)	
BSAD 277	Business Research (3)	
BSAD 341	Introduction to Data Mining (3)	
BSAD 421	Enterprise Resource Planning Systems (3)	
COMP 101	Computer Concepts and Applications (3)	
COMP 135	Introduction to Information Technology (3)	
COMP 205	Information Systems: Analysis and Design (3)	

CSJU 202	Introduction to Cybercrime (3)
FINC 375	Entrepreneurial Finance and Capital (3) or MBAD 62(Entrepreneurship Small Business Finance (3)
FINC 430	Advanced Corporate Finance (3) or MBAD 622Advanced Financial Management (3)
MGMT 362	Supervisory Management (3)
MGMT 364	Operations Management (3) or MBAD 658Operations Management (3)
MGMT 420	Data-Informed Management (3)
Total Hours	
63-78	

¹ Students must complete PHIL 330 Just Business to fulfill their second philosophy requirement for liberal education.

Students work with their advisors in selecting additional elective credits to fulfill the 120 credit hours required for graduation.