Accounting, B.B.A.

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course Title Hours

Any Semester

Pre-business students must be admitted to the Tippie College to declare the accounting major. Students not already admitted to Tippie generally apply for admission during their second year as they are completing the prerequisite courses. Completion of prerequisites and Business Core Part I, a grade of B- or higher in ACCT:2100 Introduction to Financial Accounting, and UI and cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher is required to declare the major. Students are required to complete 52 s.h. of non-business coursework. Courses with a prefix of ACCT, BAIS, BUS, ECON, ENTR, FIN, MGMT, and MKTG will not count towards non-business hours. Check degree audit for non-business hours or confer with academic advisor.

To fulfill the Tippie RISE experiential learning requirement, complete an approved course in at least one of the following categories: research with faculty, internship course, study abroad, experiential course. Students who need to complete the World Language requirement should consult with their academic advisor about when to add courses to their plan of study. World Language counts as non-business coursework. Students must satisfy the Tippie College of Business residence requirement: 45 s.h. of UI coursework after admission to Tippie.

First Year

Fall

MATH:1350 Quantitative Reasoning for Business 4
RHET:1030 Rhetoric 4
GE: Historical Perspectives 3
GE: Social Sciences 3
CSI:1600 Success at Iowa 2

Spring

STAT:1030 Statistics for Business 4
ECON:1100 Principles of Microeconomics 4
BAIS:1500 Business Computing Essentials 2
ENGL:1200 The Interpretation of Literature 3
GE: Diversity and Inclusion 3

Hours 16

Second Year

Fall

ACCT:2100 Introduction to Financial Accounting 3
BAIS:2800 Foundations of Business Analytics 3
MGMT:2000 Introduction to Law 3
GE: Natural Sciences without Lab 3
BUS:2200 Foundations for Success in Business 1

Hours 11

Spring

ACCT:2200 Managerial Accounting 3
ECON:1200 Principles of Macroeconomics 4
BUS:3000 Business Communication and Protocol 3
BAIS:3005 Information Systems 2
BAIS:3000 Operations Management 2

Hours 14

Third Year

Fall

ACCT:3100 Professional Accounting Seminar 1
ACCT:3200 Income Measurement and Asset Valuation 3
ACCT:3400 Introduction to Taxation 3
FIN:3000 Introductory Financial Management 3
GE: International and Global Issues 3
Minor, certificate, or non-business elective 3

Hours 16

Spring

ACCT:3300 Valuation of Financial Claims 3
ACCT:3600 Accounting Information Systems 3
MGMT:2100 Introduction to Management 3
GE: Values and Culture 3
Minor, certificate, or non-business elective 3

Hours 15

Fourth Year

Fall

ACCT:4100 Auditing 3
Major: Accounting elective course 3
MKTG:3000 Introduction to Marketing Strategy 3
Minor, certificate, or non-business elective 3
Minor, certificate, or non-business elective 3

Hours 15

Spring

ACCT:4200 Accounting for Management Analysis and Control 3
ACCT:4300 Accounting Ethics and Law 3
Major: Accounting elective course 3
Minor, certificate, or non-business elective 3
Minor, certificate, or non-business elective 3
Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)

Hours 15

Total Hours 120-123
Prerequisite courses include RHET:1030, MATH:1350, STAT:1030, ECON:1100 and BAIS:1500. Refer to the Tippie website for admission requirements and deadlines.

See degree audit for course options.

All major courses in accounting must be completed at the University of Iowa.

Enrollment in math courses requires completion of a placement exam.

GE courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.

Business Core Part I component; required to declare major.

Students must have a UI and cumulative GPA of at least 3.00, and earn a grade of B- or better in ACCT:2100 in order to declare the accounting major.

To begin accounting major coursework, students must have accounting major declared and grade of B- or higher in ACCT:2200.

Must be admitted to Tippie to enroll in BUS:3000. Generally completed during the second year, but should be taken no later than the third year.

A significant percentage of accounting graduates pursue the CPA license. Requirements to sit for the CPA exam and for CPA licensure vary by state. Each state requires 150 s.h. to become a licensed CPA, including specific courses and a minimum number of accounting hours. In many states, the required accounting hours exceed the minimum requirements of the B.B.A. Students should review their state's educational requirements at the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) website and consult with the undergraduate accounting program director as needed.

Typically this course is offered in fall semesters only. Check MyUI for course availability since offerings are subject to change.

ACCT:3500 recommended; typically this course is offered in fall semesters only. Check MyUI for course availability since offerings are subject to change.

ACCT:4400 recommended; typically this course is offered in spring semesters only. Check MyUI for course availability since offerings are subject to change.

Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Graduation Services.