Accountancy & Business Law

Enhance your career potential with a Bachelor’s Degree in Accountancy

According to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, “What is accounting and why is it important? Accounting is often called the ‘language of business’ because it deals with interpreting and communicating information about a company’s operations and finances. Accounting is extremely important to any company because the financial information, as interpreted by CPAs, allows executives to make informed business decisions-decisions that help those companies become more successful. Economic events are measured and described by accounting. Everyone works with and uses accounting ideas, whether they’re managing a business, investing money, or just deciding how to spend their paycheck. In business, accounting links the past with the future. It provides decision-makers information about recent financial activity, as well as information and recommendations useful for forecasting future events.”

Internships and Cooperative Education

Accountancy majors can get a head start on their careers by taking advantage of numerous opportunities to obtain paid and unpaid work experience. During the past year, over 500 organizations have requested Saint Peter’s University students for their internship, part-time, and summer employment opportunities. They represent a wide variety of employers in the private, non-profit, educational and government sectors. Examples include:

Avis Budget Group
BASF, Inc.
Bayonne Housing Authority
BET – Black Entertainment Networks
Cohn Resnick/JH Cohn
Deloitte & Touche LLP
Donohue, Gironda Doria & Tomkins
Enterprise Rent-A-Car
Ernst & Young
Federal Reserve Bank
Fidelity Investments
Goldman, Sachs & Co.
Haven Savings Bank
Hudson City Savings Bank/M&T Bank
Hudson County Superior Court
JP Morgan Chase & Co.
KPMG, LLP
Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc.
Mansour Partners LLC
Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.
McCarter English, LLP
Mendoza & Suarez, LLP
Merrill Lynch Wealth Management
Mitsubishi UFJ Securities
New York Life Insurance Co.
Pershing LLC
PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Public Service Electric and Gas
Securities and Exchange Commission
Sherwin Williams Co.

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Accountancy Major Requirements

In addition to fulfilling the core curriculum requirements (60 credits), Accountancy majors must complete the following courses:
AC 151–152 Principles of Accounting I & II
AC 331–332 Intermediate Accounting Theory I & II
AC 341 Advanced Accounting Theory
AC 443 Cost Accounting
AC 444 Auditing Principles
AC 455 Taxation
AC 474 Accounting for Intercorporate Investment
BL 161 Introduction to Law and Contracts
BL 162 Agency and Business Organization
BL 251 Uniform Commercial Code
EC 101 Macroeconomic Principles
EC 102 Microeconomic Principles
FN 410 Business Finance
FN 411 Financial Management
BA 151 Principles of Management
BA 155 Principles of Marketing
BL/AC – Two electives from Accounting and/or Business Law approved courses

Minor in Business Law

All students MUST complete:
BL 161 Introduction to Law and Contracts
BL 162 Agency and Business Organizations
BL 241 Real and Personal Property
BL 251 Uniform Commercial Code
LW 155 Seminar in Contemporary Legal Issues

Additionally, students must earn an additional three credits, selected from a variety of cognate courses offered in other departments, as approved by the advisor of the minor program.

Minor in Accounting

All students MUST complete:
AC 151 Principles of Accounting I
AC 152 Principles of Accounting II
AC 331 Intermediate Accounting Theory I
AC 332 Intermediate Accounting Theory II

Additionally, students must take 6 credits of electives in AC, BL or LW courses as approved by the accountancy advisor.

Who You’ll Learn From: Accountancy Full Time Faculty

Saint Peter’s faculty members are scholars and expert teachers. They are interested in preparing students for a lifetime of learning, leadership, and service in a global society. Faculty members include:

Lori Buza, Chairperson, Associate Professor
B.A., Rutgers University
J.D., Rutgers Law School

Karen Beerbower, Assistant Professor
B.S., Saint Peter’s College
J.D., Arizona State University
C.P.A.

Kathleen Brough, Associate Professor
A.B., M.B.A., Rutgers University
C.P.A.

Kevin Leeds, Professor
B.B.A., Saint Bonaventure
M.B.A., Fairleigh Dickinson University
C.P.A.

Andrew Pogogeff, Associate Professor
B.S., M.B.A, Fairleigh Dickinson University
C.P.A., C.F.F., C.G.M.A.

Allen Zagier, Professor
B.S., New Jersey Institute of Technology
M.S., Columbia University
M.S., New York University
M.B.A., George Washington University
C.P.A.

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