

# ACCOUNTING

### WHAT IS ACCOUNTING?

Accounting is the process of recording, summarizing, reporting, and analyzing financial transactions. Accounting is a popular major because it is the backbone of all businesses. An accounting degree prepares you for a variety of high-demand careers in both the public and private sectors of the economy in accounting-related fields including governmental, financial, auditing, cost, tax, and systems.

### RELATED CAREER TITLES

Accountant	Claims Adjuster	Financial Aid Director	Methods/Procedures Specialist
Accounts Payable Supervisor	Collection Agent	Financial Analyst	Payroll Manager
Actuary	Commercial Banker	Financial Investment Analyst	Personal Financial Planner
Administrative Services Manager	Commodities Trader	Financial Planner	Plant Accountant
Administrator	Compensation/Benefits Administrator	Governmental Accountant	Production Manager
Assistant Controller	Consolidation Manager	Industrial Accountant	Professor
Audit Manager	Consumer Credit/Loan Officer	Industrial/Institutional Buyer	Property Accountant
Auditor	Contract Administrator	Information Systems Auditor	Sales Manager
Bank Examiner	Controller	Insurance Agent/Broker Insurance Agent/Broker	SEC Accountant
Benefits/Compensation Administrator	Corporate Accountant	Internal Auditor	Securities Broker
Bookkeeper	Cost Accountant	International Trade Specialist	Stockbroker
Budget Accountant	Cost Department Supervisor	Inventory Control Specialist	Systems Accountant
Budgetary Control Analyst	Cost Dept. Supervisor	IRM Consultant	Systems Analyst
Business Credit/Loan Administrator	Credit and Collection Manager	IRS Investigator	Tax Accountant
Business Teacher	Credit and Collection Specialist	Lawyer - Audit Manager	Tax Compliance Specialist
Certified Public Accountant	EDP Auditor	Loan Administrator	Tax Lawyer/Specialist
Chief Cost Accountant	Entrepreneur	Loan Officer / Consumer Credit	Tax Supervisor/Auditor
Chief Financial Officer	Estate Planner	Management Consultant	Treasury Management Specialist
CIA Agent	External Auditor	Managerial Accountant	Trust Accountant
Claim Adjuster/Examiner	FBI Agent	Merger and Acquisition Specialist	Underwriter

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### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Adapt well to change	Critical thinking	Organization
Analytical thinking	Logical thinking	Problem solving
Analyze and interpret data	Numerical computation	Work independently or in teams
Compile accurate financial data	Oral and written communication	

Attainment and demonstration of [NACE Career Readiness Competencies](#) help prepare for a successful transition into the workplace.

### CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### RELATED CAREER EXPLORATION LINKS

American Accounting Association: <http://www.aaahq.org>

American Institute of CPAs: <http://www.aicpa.org>

Kansas Board of Accountancy: <http://www.ksboa.org>

Kansas Society of CPAs: <http://www.kscpa.org>

FHSU Career Services: <http://www.fhsu.edu/career>

Occupational Outlook Handbook: <http://bls.gov/ooh>



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