



Accounting - CPA Exam Preparation A.B.

Career Community: Business

Curriculum Code: 0255

Effective: Fall 2025 – Summer 2030

Purpose of the Major

This degree focuses on helping students with a Bachelor Degree, outside the field of accounting, learn the material to pass the Uniform Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Examination, and provides them with the classes needed to start a career as a professional accountant. The program prepares students for success in all realms of accounting, including careers as an auditor, tax professional, cost accountant, governmental accountant, financial analyst, and many more.

In addition to the 150 credit hours educational requirement, candidates must meet the accounting credit hours requirement, business credit hours requirement, and professional experience requirement. Though this program meets all of the accounting credit hours requirement to become certified and start a career in accounting, this program does not meet all of the business credit hours requirement or professional experience requirement. Students should research all of the requirements to become certified. The current “Guide to Becoming a Michigan CPA,” along with other information regarding careers as a C.P.A., can be found on the [Michigan Association of CPA’s \(MICPA\) Student Resources page](#).

Before starting this program, students should meet with an Accounting Faculty Advisor.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of ACCG 210 and ACCG 211 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Contact Information

Contact the School of Business, Gannon Building, Room 1222, telephone number 517-483-1546 or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building - StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

Major Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACCG 210	Principles of Financial Accg	4 / 4
ACCG 211	Principles of Managerial Accg	4 / 4
ACCG 215	Financial Data Analytics	4 / 4
ACCG 220	Intermediate Accounting I	4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/ Billing Hours
ACCG 221	Intermediate Accounting II	4 / 4
ACCG 230	Cost/Managerial I	4 / 4
ACCG 240	Federal Income Tax I	4 / 4
ACCG 241	Federal Income Tax II	4 / 4
ACCG 260	Accounting Systems	4 / 4
ACCG 271	Principles of Finance	3 / 3
ACCG 280	Governmental Accounting	3 / 3
ACCG 290	Auditing	4 / 4

General Education – Applied Degrees, Recommended Courses

(For the full list of options, see [General Education](#))

- English Composition or Applied English – *Select one*
ENGL 121, Composition I, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
ENGL 127, Business Writing, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
ENGL 131, Honors Composition I, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication – *Select one*
COMM 110, Communication in the Workplace, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
COMM 130, Fundamentals Public Speaking, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences – *Select one*
ECON 260, Comparative Economic Systems, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
MGMT 234, Diversity in the Workplace, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
POLS 260, Comparative Political Systems, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics – *Select one*
MATH 119, Math - Applications for Living, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
MATH 120, College Algebra, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
- Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab – *Select one*
ASTR 201, Introductory Astronomy, 4 credits / 5 billing hours
BIOL 125, Intro Biology for Non-Majors, 4 credits / 6 billing hours
PHYS 120, The Art of Physics, 4 credits / 5 billing hours

Additional Credits

After completing the course and credit requirements as noted on this pathway, students who fall short of the 60-credit minimum required for an Associate Degree may select any course(s) needed to reach 60 credits, except those courses noted in number 7 in the [Institutional Requirements for Associate Degrees](#). Students are encouraged to use Degree Works and meet with an Advisor to ensure all requirements are met and for course recommendations.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

63 credits / 64 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I
Gen Ed - English Composition or Applied English
Gen Ed – English Composition (second course)/ Communications or Applied Communications
Gen Ed - Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences
Gen Ed - Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
ACCG 210 – Milestone course

Semester II
Gen Ed - Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
ACCG 211 – Milestone course
ACCG 215
ACCG 240

Semester III
ACCG 220
ACCG 230
ACCG 241
ACCG 280

Semester IV
ACCG 221
ACCG 260
ACCG 271
ACCG 290

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