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What can you do with a major in Accounting?

Campus(s) program is offered: Appalachian, Canton, Marietta, North Metro & Paulding

What are the most likely job titles one can expect to qualify for after completing this program?

- Payroll clerk
- Accounts Payable Clerk
- Accounting Assistant
- Accounts Receivable Clerk
- Bookkeeper
- Financial Assistant
- Billing Clerk
- General Ledger Clerk
- Customer Accounting Clerk
- Tax Clerk
- Auditing clerk

What do students express as the thing they enjoy the most about this program?

- Quality Courses
- Experienced Faculty
- Challenging Textbooks

What is the least?

- Would like more accounting courses offered
- Wish summer semester was longer

What are some typical misconceptions about this program of study?

- Accounting is a hard subject to grasp
- Only "smart" students will be successful in the program
- Only accounting majors need the Financial Accounting 1 course.

What are some essential skills and abilities a student needs to have in order to be successful in program of study?

- Organization and planning
- Decision making
- Operation of office equipment
- Problem solving
- Written and oral communication
- Attention to detail
- Accounting database fundamentals
- Prioritizing
- Spreadsheet fundamentals

What are typical skills and abilities that a student gains once he/she has completed this program?

- Skill in typing
- Knowledge of various income tax and payroll accounting software
- Knowledge of an accounting software package: QuickBooks
- Ability and knowledge to be successful in an accounting position
- Exposure to the Microsoft Office suite of programs

Typical work activities/occupational functions:

- Assist in general accounting
- Billing customers
- Processing accounts payable
- Preparing payroll
- Process accounts receivable

What additional training would you recommend for a student who wants to go to the next level in this field?

Take additional courses if necessary and view education as a life-long learning experience.

Do any of the occupational courses transfer easily?

Some 4-year institutions accept all of the courses in a 2-year degree. Some take half. Some take none. Students should contact the institution where they wish to enroll to see what courses will transfer. As a general rule, most 4-year institutions will accept the general education core courses.

What are some common limitations, if any, in this program that students face?

No limitations; except that some 4-year institutions are not as willing to accept a 2-year college's credits as transfer credit.

Are there any exams/certifications that a student needs to take after completing the courses? Are these exams/certifications offered on campus?

Currently, there are no exams/certifications that a student must take. However, a student should check to see what certifications are available within their chosen job title.

Possible employment settings:

Any organization or business that provides services to the public or other businesses; finance, auditing, accounting firms, government, and nonprofit organizations.

Names of potential employers:

Bank of America Cherokee Association Realtors Cobb County Government

American Security Insurance Co. Wells Fargo Bank City of Roswell L C Tech LLC Racetrac Petroleum Providence Label

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