Accounting at UIW

In Accounting and Auditing, we record, present, and interpret the results of business transactions. Because thousands of investors, lenders, workers, regulators and others depend on and rely on the financial statements and other reports we audit or prepare, in addition to the clients and employers we work for directly, we honor the public trust. If you want a challenging environment where you can compete with the best, and where strength of character matters, accounting may be right for you. Our degree plans are designed to prepare you with the qualifications to sit for the CPA exam and enter the realm of professional accounting.

Overview

Accounting is the means by which businesses report to their stakeholders the results of their operations, comprehensive income, financial position and changes in cash and owner's equities by analyzing, recording, presenting and interpreting the results of transactions and events. Intended to develop the decision making and accounting skills needed to enter the profession and become accountants in public practice, industry, non-profit organizations or government, the curriculum is based on the American Institute of Certified Public Accountant's (AICPA) core competencies.

Earning Potential

The Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants salary surveys say that CPAs with a master's degree can earn as much as $5 million in their career, and those who become firm partners have averaged $7.7 million. The AICPA says graduates in public accounting are making $40 to $60 thousand per year in their first three years.

Enhancing the Academic Experience

Accounting students frequently are leaders of the Accounting Club, the Business Club, Ethics Club, and join our honor society, Delta Mu Delta. Our students also participate in the volunteer tax assistance program -VITA (tax preparation assistance to the poor outreach program). Most accounting students learn on the job by participating in at least one internship. We train people to leverage technology, to analyze and think critically, and to be concerned and enlightened citizens who can become professional accountants.

Curriculum

15 semester hours of required accounting courses:
- ACCT 3311 Intermediate Accounting I
- ACCT 3312 Intermediate Accounting II
- ACCT 3313 Cost Accounting
- ACCT 3315 Federal Income Tax I
- ACCT 4314 Auditing

9 semester hours of upper division undergraduate accounting electives.

The Texas State Board of Public Accountancy (TSBPA) requires 30 semester hours of approved upper division accounting courses, plus 24 hours of approved upper division business courses and two hours credit in each of approved business communications and tax/business research courses, plus an approved three hour course in ethics and two hours credit in each of approved business communications and tax/business research courses, included within a total of 150 semester hours with a degree, as qualifications to sit for the CPA examination.

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Accelerated Bachelors to Masters (ABM) – Upon completion of 150 hours, students in this program can earn both the MS in Accounting and BBA with an Accounting concentration.

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