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BUSINESS PROGRAM

ACCOUNTING & FINANCE

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DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION

The Department of Accounting and Finance at Grove City College prepares students for a lifetime of careers in public accounting, corporate accounting, various financial fields, and the non-profit and government sectors. Students are given the academic freedom to choose from a broad course selection that includes classes in financial accounting and reporting, managerial accounting, accounting information systems, auditing, taxation, government & non-profit and forensic accounting. Upholding a long-standing tradition of academic excellence in accounting, Grove City College consistently places among the top colleges in the nation with exceptionally high CPA exam pass rates.

MAJORS

Accounting

The Bachelor of Science degree in accounting equips students with the critical thinking and analytical skills to excel in graduate and professional programs and secure competitive positions in business and accounting. Students complete 70 credit hours of course requirements along with the College core curriculum.

Finance

Students who graduate with a degree in finance receive specialized instruction in corporate finance and investment management. Students are given flexibility to tailor course selections toward a specific career path such as corporate finance, financial institutions, investment management, or financial planning. (67 credit hours)

Accounting and Finance (double major)

The department offers students a 150 credit hour double major in accounting and finance. The program is designed, through accelerated study and intersession coursework, to be completed in four years. The program provides students with the requisite credit hours to fulfill CPA licensing requirements, as well as offering in-depth study of risk and insurance, investment valuation, financial planning and more.

MINORS

Accounting

The 18-credit hour minor in accounting exposes students to various areas of accounting including introductory financial and managerial topics, corporate financial reporting, accounting systems, and federal tax law.

Finance

The 18-credit hour minor in finance broadens learning beyond introductory finance topics to include investments and other advanced corporate finance topics.

CONCENTRATION

The concentration in forensic accounting offers students the opportunity to learn about the roles and responsibilities of a forensic accountant, fraud standards, different types of fraud, ethical considerations, internal controls, business valuation, breach of contract damages and more.

Accounting allows me to use my analytical and interpersonal skills in a way that is relevant to many businesses.

– Lilly Lenes '17

SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL AREAS OF INTEREST

The Accounting Society is a student-run organization which sponsors monthly events including professional meetings and social activities for accounting students.

INTERNSHIPS

There are a number of paid internship opportunities available to students in the summer before their senior year and may be taken for academic credit. Students may also find their own internship experience subject to the approval of the department internship coordinator.

CAREER AND GRADUATION OPPORTUNITIES

A majority of our graduates enter into careers in public accounting, while others pursue positions in corporate accounting and the non-profit sector. Our students have also gone on to law schools and graduate schools such as Duke University, Penn State University, Ohio State University, the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Arizona. In 2016, 97% of our business graduates found employment or gained admittance into a graduate program within six months of graduation.



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Grove City College is a highly ranked, nationally recognized private liberal arts and sciences college that equips students to pursue their unique callings through an academically excellent and Christ-centered learning and living experience distinguished by a commitment to affordability and promotion of the Christian worldview, the foundations of a free society and the love of neighbor. Established in 1876, the College is a pioneer in independent private education and accepts no federal funds. It offers students degrees in 60 majors on a picturesque 180-acre campus north of Pittsburgh, Pa. Accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, Grove City College is routinely ranked as one of the country's top colleges by U.S. News & World Report, The Princeton Review and others based on academic quality and superior outcomes.