Welcome

We appreciate your interest in Ivy Tech Community College and the Accounting program. “Baby boomers” working in the accounting field are approaching retirement age, which will lead to some very exciting opportunities for you.

The Accounting Department offers a broad program of courses in accounting. Coupled with required and elective courses in general education, economics, and business administration, the accounting curriculum provides the graduate with a sound educational foundation for an accounting career.

Our program will prepare you to enter the real world of Accounting. Get ready to …

- Learn to use GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles)
- Create and analyze balance sheets
- Evaluate a company’s efficiency and profitability
- Study tax laws
- Learn to prepare tax filings
- Get up to speed on accounting software
- Learn payroll inside and out

To learn more, please contact us.

Accounting Curriculum and Course Descriptions

Curriculum for Accounting varies based on the degree or certificate and is subject to change.

Visit us online at ivytech.edu/accounting to find recommended course curriculum and course descriptions.

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Overview

Accountants analyze and interpret financial information and consult with upper management concerning important business decisions and financial performance. Some accountants keep the books, recording every financial transaction. Accountants can also prepare tax returns or audit for tax compliance.

The Accounting program at Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington develops an understanding of accounting principles, business law, communications, business equipment, and related areas of study in the field. You also will gain instruction in computerized accounting systems. Technical skills in financial accounting, cost accounting, and tax preparation are emphasized.

Careers in Accounting

- Bookkeeper
- Junior Accountant
- Payroll Clerk
- Staff Accountant
- Tax Examiners
- Tax Preparers

Transfer Options

Graduates of our program may continue on to pursue bachelor's degrees at Indiana State University, Ball State University, Indiana Wesleyan University and IUPUI among others. Transfer students may be required to take a few additional courses to fulfill all transfer requirements.

Accounting Degrees & Certificates

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS) DEGREE

Two-year Associate of Applied Science degree programs prepare students for careers, career changes and career advancement. AAS programs may also prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions. The program content, which is approximately 30 percent general education, provides depth and breadth in conceptual and professional/technical skills. Professional/technical courses equip students with the skills to obtain employment and to advance in the workforce.

TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE (TC)

One-year Technical Certificate programs provide education in conceptual and technical skills for specific occupations. Each program contains a sequence of required courses in a recognized concentration within a program.

CERTIFICATE (C)

Certificates are sequences of technical and professional courses. They provide access to targeted, short-term workforce training, and completers may sit for specific certification exams. Certificate programs generally take less than one year to complete.

Technical Certificate

Accounting

The Accounting Technical Certificate leads to employment in an accounting related profession, or completion of an AAS degree in Accounting.

Certificates

Bookkeeper

The Accounting Bookkeeping Certificate leads to employment in an accounting related profession, completion of an AAS degree in Accounting, and/or taking the certification exam in Certified Bookkeeper Certification.

Fundamental Payroll

The Accounting Fundamental Payroll Certificate leads to employment in an accounting related profession, completion of an AAS degree in Accounting, and/or taking the certification exam in Fundamental Payroll Certification.