

Accounting

Degree Type
Concentration

Concentration Requirements

Consists of 18 credit hours. Majors in business administration may pursue an concentration in accounting. The concentration consists of 18 core credits. [Six credits from the concentration may be applied to the requirements for the major.](#)

Required Courses

Course Code	Title	Credits
BUS-371	Intermediate Accounting I	3
BUS-372	Intermediate Accounting II	3
BUS-375	Accounting Information Systems	3
BUS-380	Introduction to Tax	3
BUS-385	Intermediate Managerial Accounting / Data Analytics	3
BUS-405	Auditing	3

Specializations

To comply with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) rules for candidates sitting for the CPA exam, students should supplement the accounting concentration with selection of the Business Analysis and Reporting or Tax Compliance and Planning Specialization.

Business Analysis & Reporting Specialization:

Course Code	Title	Credits
BUS-400	Advanced Accounting	3
BUS-401	Advanced Managerial Accounting / Data Analytics	3

Tax Compliance & Planning Specialization

Course Code	Title	Credits
BUS-381	Individual Compliance and Planning	3
BUS-382	Entity Compliance and Planning	3

Majors pursuing careers in public accounting: To sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam in Virginia, the Virginia Board of Accountancy requires candidates to accumulate these minimums:

120 credit hours in a baccalaureate degree that includes: 30 credit hours of accounting courses, and 24 credit hours of (non-accounting) business courses.

To become a licensed CPA in Virginia, the Virginia Board of Accountancy requires candidates to complete 150 credit hours of education, plus the full-time equivalent of one year of relevant accounting experience.

CPA licensing requirements vary by state. If you plan to pursue CPA licensure outside Virginia, please visit that state's Board of Accountancy website for that state's requirements.