

# **ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED** SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING

## **Description and Outcomes**

The objective of the Associate of Applied Science in Accounting program is to prepare you with knowledge of accounting theories and principles relevant to the application of accounting functions in business. You will have the opportunity to gain the necessary knowledge and skills to help you enter the field of accounting and pursue career advancement.

Course content includes the application of accounting principles, payroll processing procedures, financial statement preparation, and tax preparation according to federal and state regulations. Computer software relevant to the accounting field is emphasized throughout the program. The curriculum teaches you to utilize accounting software applications, and analyze, record, and interpret accounting information based upon industry guidelines.

## Program Length

The Associate of Applied Science in Accounting program consists of a minimum of 90 quarter credit hours. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be awarded an associate of applied science degree.

#### **Program Outcomes**

#### **Discipline-Specific Outcomes**

- 1. Regulations: Recognize the impact of state and federal laws and regulations on business.
- 2. Management: Define the various tasks and responsibilities of managers in the organization.
- 3. Control: Recognize basic financial and accounting data that influence business activities.
- 4. Finance: Analyze financial data and demonstrate the ability to make informed financial decisions.
- 5. Accounting Solutions: Identify solutions to various accounting business demands by applying Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).
- 6. Technology: Use technology and software applications appropriate to the business environment.

#### General Education Literacies and Professional Competencies

In addition to the discipline-specific outcomes, general education literacies and professional competencies are integrated throughout your academic program. You can review the general education literacies and professional competencies associated with your academic program in the General Education and Professional Competency Requirements (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/general-educationprofessional-competency-requirements/) section of this Catalog.

## **Program Availability**

For program availability, please refer to the U.S. State and Other Approvals (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/ university-information/accreditation-approvals-memberships/) section and Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/ catalog-program-availability-info.pdf).

# **Policies**

Please refer to school-specific policies (https:// catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/businessinformation-technology/) and the Policy Information (https:// catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/) section for general Purdue Global policies.

### Certification, State Board, and National Board Exams

Certification and licensure boards have state-specific educational requirements for programs that lead to a license or certification that is a precondition for employment. Prospective and current students must review Purdue Global's State Licensure and Certifications (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/about/accreditation/licensure-stateauthorizations/) site to view program and state-specific licensure information.

Licensure-track programs may limit enrollment to students in certain states; please see Purdue Global's Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf) to determine enrollment eligibility.

You are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. Such requirements may change during the course of your program. You are not automatically certified in any way upon program completion. Although certain programs are designed to prepare you to take various optional certification exams, Purdue Global cannot guarantee you will be eligible to take these exams or become certified. Your eligibility may depend on your work experience, completion of education and/or degree requirements, not having a criminal record, and meeting other certification requirements.

# **Degree Plan**

The 🜐 icon appears in the title of traditional courses that are also available as a set of module courses. Module course availability may be limited to certain academic calendars. See Course Types (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/ approach-to-learning/) for information about module courses.

# **Program Requirements**

| Code                    | Title   | Credits |  |
|-------------------------|---|---------|--|
| Core Requirements       |   |         |  |
| CM107                   | College Composition I                                   | 5       |  |
| CM220                   | College Composition II                                  | 5       |  |
| 100/200 Level           | Mathematics Requirement <sup>1</sup>                    | 5       |  |
| Select one of the       | 5   |         |  |
| HU200                   | Arts and Humanities - Modern Creative<br>Expressions    |         |  |
| HU245                   | Ethics  |         |  |
| HU250                   | Humanities and Culture                                  |         |  |
| SS236                   | American Government                                     |         |  |
| SS238                   | Engagement - Civic- and Citizen-Driven<br>Public Policy |         |  |
| SS250                   | Technology and Society                                  |         |  |
| Total Core Requirements |   | 20      |  |
| Major Requirements      |   |         |  |
| AC114                   | Accounting I  | 5       |  |

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| AC116                            | Accounting II  | 5  |  |
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| AC239                            | Managerial Accounting                                | 5  |  |
| AC256                            | Federal Tax  | 5  |  |
| BU224                            | Microeconomics                                       | 5  |  |
| CS113                            | Academic Strategies for the Business<br>Professional | 5  |  |
| IT133                            | Microsoft Office Applications on<br>Demand           | 5  |  |
| MM255                            | Business Math and Statistical Measures               | 5  |  |
| MT140                            | Introduction to Management                           | 5  |  |
| MT217                            | Finance  | 5  |  |
| MT219                            | Marketing  | 5  |  |
| AC298                            | Associate's Capstone in Accounting                   | 5  |  |
| Total Major Requirements         |  | 60 |  |
| Open Elective Requirements       |  |    |  |
| Open Electives                   |  | 10 |  |
| Total Open Elective Requirements |  | 10 |  |
| TOTAL CREDITS                    |  |    |  |

<sup>1</sup> For options to fulfill this requirement, see the corresponding literacy in General Education and Professional Competency Requirements (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/general-educationprofessional-competency-requirements/).