



Accounting Associate in Science Degree Program

Program Overview

The accounting AS degree is designed to give students enough practical experience so that they can secure a position in either the public, governmental or private accounting sector.

Requirements

AS Degree Requirements

Major: Core and Selective Requirements

Complete Core Courses, 21.5 units		Units
ACTG 121	Financial Accounting	4 units
ACTG 131	Managerial Accounting	4 units
ACTG 180	Payroll Accounting	1.5 units
ACTG 200	QuickBooks	3 units
BUS. 100	Introduction to Business	3 units
CBOT 432	Introduction to Computer Applications	3 units
CBOT 435	Spreadsheets	3 units
Selective Courses, choose a minimum of 6 units from the following:		Units
ACTG 100	Accounting Procedures	3 units
BUS. 101	Human Relations in the Workplace	3 units
BUS. 103	Introduction to Business Information Systems	3 units
BUS. 201	Business Law	3 units
BUS. 401	Business Communications	3 units

Total Required Major Units: 27.5

And required General Education coursework and electives as needed to meet the minimum 60 units required for the Associate degree.

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Related Degrees & Certificates ▾

CA	Certificate of Achievement	
	Accounting	27.5 units
	Entry Level Bookkeeper	12 units
	Payroll Specialist	18 units

Career Opportunities ▾

Obtaining an Associate’s degree in Accounting from Cañada College is an excellent start to a prosperous career in the business field. Accounting is considered to be the “language of all business,” and is a valuable skill set for anyone wishing to work in Silicon Valley. Accounting offers an interesting and rewarding career to people who can work with numbers, focus on details, use a computer, and work as part of a team. There is a strong demand for accounting assistants, and you can advance in your career by demonstrating your skills on the job. However, a Bachelor’s degree (any subject) is required to sit for the CPA (Certified Public Accountant) exam. Cañada College’s accounting program offers courses needed to complete the requirements for the Professional Bookkeeper exam in addition to the courses needed for an Associate’s Degree in Accounting, which is the first step to becoming a CPA.

Program Learning Outcomes ▾

- Students completing this program will be able to:
- ☒ Design and manage business documents using current technology to engage in creative problem solving.
 - ☒ Communicate an understanding of business concepts professionally through written, oral and visual presentations using current technology.
 - ☒ Recognize ethical behavior in their chosen profession and behave in a socially responsible manner.

Please refer to the AA/AS Degree Requirements for more information.

Cañada College offers lower division coursework required for transfer in the area of Accounting/Business Administration. Usually an Accounting program of study is listed under Business Administration. Students should use PROJECT ASSIST (www.assist.org) to research lower division major requirements at the transfer destination(s) of their choice. Also, work with a Counselor/Advisor to determine appropriate transfer coursework.

- ☒ Analyze business issues, interpret financial data and identify economic trends.