B.A. Accounting | Major Map

**CAREER OUTCOMES FROM 2016-19**
Based on information from 96% of graduates

**100%** Secured Employment

**100%** Admitted into Graduate or Professional School

**POSSIBLE DESTINATIONS OF GRADUATES**
Augustana’s broad-based curriculum prepares you for diverse occupations and rapidly changing labor markets.

**POPULAR CAREERS**
- **Public Accounting**: staff auditor, tax staff, management services/consulting staff
- **Corporate Accounting**: internal auditor, financial analyst, cost accountant, tax accountant, controller
- **Government**: auditor, accountant, forensic accountant, business analyst, cost accountant, general accountant, staff accountant
- **Nonprofit**: compliance coordinator, accountant, internal auditor, financial planner
- **Education**: accounting teacher, consultant, business manager, controller

**POPULAR EMPLOYERS**
Big Four accounting firms, public accounting firms, private companies, colleges & universities, corporations, government agencies, health care systems, manufacturing organizations, school districts, social service agencies

**SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES**

- **Internships**
  - CliftonLarsonAllen
  - Eide Bailly
  - Ernst & Young
  - FDIC
  - First PREMIER Bank
  - KPMG
  - Lamfers & Maas
  - Ness Tax & Bookkeeping Service
  - POET
  - Raven Industries
  - RSM US
  - Woltman Group

- **Study Away**
  - AU Faculty-Led: Global Economics in Thailand
  - Chicago Semester

**WHY STUDY ACCOUNTING?**
The accounting major is designed to prepare students for career opportunities in private business accounting. The required business courses strengthen graduates’ abilities to serve organizations in the broader capacity expected of a private accountant. Students interested in preparing to take the CPA examination should consider completing our Master of Arts in Professional Accountancy (MPA) program. This program meets the requirements of the State Boards of Accountancy, including South Dakota, which have elected the 150-hour educational requirement to sit for the CPA exam.
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<td><strong>EXCEL ACADEMICALLY</strong></td>
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<td>• Review SOPHIA and program requirements with your academic advisor.</td>
<td>• Explore minors or elective credits that interest you.</td>
<td>• Apply to graduate no later than Oct. 1. Review the degree audit provided by the Registrar’s Office.</td>
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<td>• Review your degree audit report and create a plan of study in Academic Planner.</td>
<td>• Contact the Success Center to declare any second majors or minors.</td>
<td>• If continuing in the MPA program, you will take some graduate courses for MPA during this year.</td>
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<td>• Enroll in ACCT 210, ACCT 211 and ECON 120.</td>
<td>• Enroll in ACCT 322, ACCT 323, ECON 270, BSAD 330, ACCT 344, BSAD 340, ACCT 347 and accounting elective courses.</td>
<td>• Enroll in ACCT 382 and other elective courses.</td>
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<td>• Participate in FYS 112 to confirm your major, hear from alumni and design a tailored plan of study.</td>
<td>• Earn a high GPA to excel in your job search and graduate school.</td>
<td>• Complete your accounting internship in ACCT 495.</td>
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<td>• Choose or confirm your major(s) or minor(s).</td>
<td>• Consider earning your MPA at Augustana.</td>
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| **ENGAGE & APPLY YOUR LEARNING** | | |
| • Explore study-away opportunities in Studio Abroad (spring semester during your junior year is the ideal time for accounting majors to spend a semester abroad; most J-terms are also open for this opportunity). | • Attend Experience Expo, Sophomore Retreat. | • Take standardized exams (e.g., GRE, GMAT) and share your application to graduate or professional school with your advisor and CAP specialist for feedback. |
| • Create an account in Augie Opportunities. | • Engage in campus leadership, internships, service and relevant summer employment. | • Attend Meet the Firms and the BIG (Business, Industry, Government) Career & Internship Fair. |
| • Access your Viking Central account. Participate in campus clubs and organizations such as the Business Club and SALT (Serving and Learning Together). | • Seek student organization leadership positions as a treasurer or in finance. | • Continue to connect with alumni. |
| • Attend the CPA Showcase event offered by the South Dakota CPA Society. | • Join the professional organization AICPA for free as a student affiliate. | • Participate in mock interviews and networking events. |
| • Attend the Meet the Firms event to network with regional and Big Four accounting firms. | • Explore Big Four Summer Leadership Programs. | • Complete the career outcome survey to update us of your employment or enrollment in graduate school. |
| | • Participate in the alumni mentor program. | • Join the Augustana alumni community. |
| | • Earn the Diversity Advocate certificate. | | |
| | • Apply for Knight Internship Funds, ASA transportation funds or other experiential and elite scholarships. | | |

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**CHART YOUR COURSE TODAY!**

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