Accounting is best defined as the systematic recording, reporting and analysis of financial transactions. Students who select accounting as their major generally show a talent for analyzing financial information, developing financial and investment planning strategies, verifying financial documents, and managing costs and assets. All organizations need these skills to ensure proper financial management.

As an undergraduate accounting major in the Wayne State University Mike Ilitch School of Business, you will be prepared to apply your accounting expertise in a variety of career paths that can include corporate, governmental, nonprofit or public accounting. Additionally, our program helps prepare students to sit for professional examinations, including Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Management Accountant (CMA), Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) and more.
MAJOR CLASSES
ACC 5110 .......... Intermediate Financial Accounting II
ACC 5130 ............. Accounting Systems Design and Control
ACC 5160 .................. Managerial Accounting
ACC 5170 .......... Introduction to Taxation: Individuals

CAMPUS OPTIONS
As an accounting major, you can complete your major requirements at WSU’s main campus in Midtown Detroit or at any WSU extension center offering the required classes.

STUDENT NETWORKING
Our student organizations offer great opportunities to develop new friendships and begin to network for your career. Visit ilitchbusiness.wayne.edu for more information.

STARTING YOUR CAREER
Students graduating in accounting will continue to be in demand due to the need for thorough documentation of financial controls resulting from more stringent federal regulations. Additionally, individuals will be needed who can analyze increasingly complex financial data. Accountants with professional certification (CPAs, CMAs, CIAs and others) will enjoy the most career options and highest salaries.

National annual median salaries for EXPERIENCED professionals*

- Accountant ................................. $65,940
- Auditor ....................................... $65,940
- Budget analyst ............................. $71,220
- Tax examiners & revenue agent ........ $51,120


Students should speak to an Ilitch School of Business Career Planning and Placement advisor for state-specific salary information.

CAREER TITLES
Accounting career titles can include:
- Auditor/internal auditor
- Assistant controller/controller
- Budgetary control analyst
- Certified public accountant
- Chief financial officer
- Claims adjuster/examiner
- Cost accountant
- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agent
- Financial analyst
- Managerial accountant
- Payroll manager
- Treasury management specialist
- Industrial accountant
- Inventory control specialist
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS) investigator

CAREER TITLES

APPLY TODAY
As you consider your future, you’re bound to have questions. For academic counseling, an application and admission consideration contact:

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