ACCOUNTING, BS

Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS)
Major: Accounting

Program Overview
The accounting profession demands a high degree of technical training, similar to the professions of architecture, law, engineering and medicine, and a broad knowledge of the fundamentals of economics and business with a commitment to public well-being. The undergraduate program in accounting is designed to enhance critical thinking, quantitative analysis and decision making skills in accounting as well as in the related fields of banking and finance, economics, marketing, organizational behavior and operations.

Career opportunities in accounting include the public, corporate, government, nonprofit and healthcare sectors. The undergraduate program in accounting prepares students for entrance into these careers and provides a foundation for the examination to become a CPA or other professional certifications. Each state Board of Accountancy has its own eligibility requirements for taking the CPA exam. Students pursuing a BS in Accounting should consult the Board of Accountancy website for the state in which they plan to sit for the CPA examination in order to determine specific course requirements.

For more information, see the undergraduate accounting program website. For questions, contact Tiffany Schwendeman, Assistant Dean of Undergraduate and Integrated Study programs, 216.368.2058.

Learning Outcomes
• Students possess information literacy regarding accounting principles, techniques, tools and analysis.
• Students comprehend accountancy as a learned profession.
• Students communicate clearly.

Practicum Program
The practicum program is a planned, structured, supervised workplace experience at an approved “site” organization. The practicum is an experiential learning arrangement between the student, the employer and the practicum adviser in conjunction with the Career Center. The primary goal of this active learning experience is the intellectual, personal and professional growth of the student in an area related to the student's academic goals. Students may participate in up to two practicums and all practicums must be taken for transcript notation, otherwise the student will not have the benefits of full-time student status. Additionally, students must have a faculty member serve as a practicum advisor.

Undergraduate Policies
For undergraduate policies and procedures, please review the Undergraduate Academics section of the General Bulletin.

Accelerated Master's Programs
Undergraduate students may participate in accelerated programs toward graduate or professional degrees. For more information and details of the policies and procedures related to accelerated studies, please visit the Undergraduate Academics section of the General Bulletin.

Early Admission to the Integrated Study Program in Accountancy
Each year, approximately 10 to 15 exceptionally well-qualified high school seniors who plan to pursue careers in accountancy will be offered Early Admission to the Integrated Study Program in Accountancy at Case Western Reserve University. Early admits receive a conditional commitment of admission to the Weatherhead School of Management Master of Accountancy program and a scholarship package covering a minimum of 50% of an academic year’s tuition cost to be honored when students formally enroll as a graduate student. Students are required to maintain a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.2 overall and in accountancy courses. Those who achieve higher grade point averages may be eligible for greater scholarship amounts.

Program Requirements
Students seeking to complete this major and degree program must meet the general requirements for bachelor’s degrees and the Unified General Education Requirements. Students completing this program as a secondary major while completing another undergraduate degree program do not need to satisfy the school-specific requirements associated with this major.

Students with questions about Weatherhead’s majors, secondary majors or minors should consult a Weatherhead academic advisor.

Degree Requirements
The BS in Accounting requires a minimum total of 122 credit hours. The remaining credit hours to reach a minimum total of 122 may be fulfilled by courses taken for the Unified General Education Requirement, secondary majors and/or minors or by an assortment of classes. These may be Weatherhead or non-Weatherhead courses.

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**Sample Plan of Study**

Accounting majors are advised to take ACCT 100, ACCT 106, ACCT 200, and MGMT 201 as early as possible. In addition, students are advised to take ORBH 250 in the second year.

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