

# Accountancy

## W. P. Carey Career Management and Employer Engagement: Business degree fast facts

One of the finest programs in the country, The School of Accountancy at the W. P. Carey School of Business offers an Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) internationally accredited accounting program that is consistently ranked among the top programs in the nation.

The undergraduate accounting degree includes courses in computer information systems, developed specifically for accounting majors. Using up-to-date business software, the program provides students with hands-on exposure to real-world business processes and strategies, with an emphasis on team

projects. Students who pursue a degree in accountancy should expect an industry that is expected to grow 11 percent from 2014-2024.<sup>1</sup> The average starting salary for graduates ranges from \$45,000 to \$55,000.<sup>2</sup>

## Pursue diverse career opportunities

### Job titles

- Accountant
- Actuary
- Assistant controller
- Auditor
- Bank examiner
- Benefits/compensation administrator
- Budget analyst
- Business teacher
- CIA agent
- Claims adjuster
- Collector/collection agent
- Commercial banker
- Commodities trader
- Consumer credit officer
- Estate planner
- FBI agent
- Financial aid director
- Financial analyst
- Fundraiser
- Industrial buyer
- Internal auditor
- Inventory control specialist
- IRS investigator/loan administrator
- Management analyst
- Payroll manager
- Personal financial advisor
- Revenue agent
- Securities broker
- Stock broker
- Tax examiner
- Tax manager/tax specialist
- Underwriter

### Top accounting firms in Arizona<sup>3</sup>

- Deloitte LLP
- Ernst & Young US LLP
- KPMG US LLP
- PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
- Henry & Horne LLP
- RSM US LLP
- Eide Bailly LLP
- CBIZ MHM LLC
- Moss Adams LLP
- Semple, Marchal & Cooper LLP
- Grant Thornton LLP
- Tull, Forsberg & Olson PLC
- Schmidt Westergard & Co. PLLC
- BDO USA LLP
- Wallabe, Plese & Dreher LLP
- Price Kong & Co. CPAs PA
- REDW LLC
- Gaintner Bandler Reed & Peters PLC
- Lohman Co. PLLC
- Hunter Hagen & Co. Ltd.
- Fester & Chapman PC
- Mansperger Patterson & McMullin PLC
- Sigrist, Cheek, Potter & Huyser PLLC

## Map your future in accounting

### Certified public accountant (CPA)

Students who wish to obtain their CPA certification must meet additional credit hour requirements and pass the four-part Uniform CPA exam prepared by the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA). Areas of interest include accounting, auditing, tax, and consulting for clients. CPAs often specialize in areas such as tax, compensation and employee benefits, and asset protection. Some CPAs audit the financial statements of their clients and produce reports to investors and authorities to certify that statements have been correctly prepared. CPAs generally have their own practice or work for accounting firms.

### Add value to your degree

As a W. P. Carey student, your classroom experience is just one part of your preparation for a successful career. A variety of extracurricular opportunities provide you with practical, real-world experiences to complement your classroom studies.

#### Beta Alpha Psi [asubap.com](http://asubap.com)

The national accounting business fraternity, Beta Alpha Psi, recognizes outstanding

### Management accountant, industrial accountant, corporate accountant, private accountant

Working in-house, this role is responsible for recording and analyzing financial information. Prepare financial reports for non-management groups including stockholders, creditors, regulatory agencies, and tax authorities. Other responsibilities include budgeting, cost management, and asset management.

### Government accountant, auditor

Audit private businesses and individuals who are subject to government regulations

academic achievement and develops professionalism among members through career-oriented, social, and community activities.

### Finance and Accounting Career Club (FACC)

[asu.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/finance-and-accounting-career-club](http://asu.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/finance-and-accounting-career-club)

The ASU chapter of FACC welcomes all business students interested in

or taxation. Guarantee that revenues are received and expenditures are made in accordance with laws and regulations.

### Internal auditor, business risk services

Verify the accuracy of internal records and check for mismanagement, fraud, or waste. Analyze financial systems, management procedures, and internal controls. Review company operations by evaluating efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance with corporate policies and procedures, laws, and government regulations.

professional and personal development through education, association with business professionals, and certification in management accounting and financial management skills.

## Contact

Visit [asu.joinhandshake.com/appointments](http://asu.joinhandshake.com/appointments) to schedule an appointment with your career coach.

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook

<sup>2</sup> National Association of Colleges and Employers Salary Survey

<sup>3</sup> The Business Journal Book of Lists