What can I do with my Major?

ACCOUNTING

SAMPLE JOB TITLES

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Accountant
Financial Examiner
Auditor
Tax Preparer
Budget Analyst
Tax Manager
Staff Accountant
Senior Tax Analyst
Revenue Accountant
Accounts Receivable Manager
Senior Accountant
Fixed Asset Accountant
Senior Payroll Administrator
Payroll Accountant
Accounting Policy Research Accountant

OVERVIEW OF MAJOR

Accounting majors at the University of Connecticut may specialize in one of three areas: Financial Accounting, Managerial Accounting, or Taxes and Assurance Services.

The study of Financial Accounting includes learning to prepare a company’s financial statements based on information gathered in its general ledgers. Financial accountants also participate in the marketing of important financial decisions for a company, including mergers and acquisitions, benefits/Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) planning, and long-term financial projections.

The study of Managerial Accounting, however, focuses on the decision-making process and application of accounting information to that process. The skills learned through the study of Managerial Accounting include cost analysis, analysis of new contracts, and expense control. Managerial accountants are often involved in analyzing the structure of an organization to better control costs and expenses.

NATURE OF WORK

The services that accountants provide are public accounting, managerial accounting, government accounting, and internal auditing. There are many different jobs within accounting depending on which field of accounting you decide to go into. Some public accountants work on tax matters while others may offer advice about compensation or employee health care benefits. Still other accountants may offer advice on the design of accounting and data processing systems.

OTHER RESOURCES

American Association of Finance and Accounting
American Institute of Certified Public Accountants