

**Curriculum Notes**

- Students are required to complete 72 credit hours for the major.
- Additional suggested coursework:
  - ACCT220: Accounting and Business Applications in Excel (2 credits; Fall)
  - ECON101: Macroeconomics (4 credits)
- GPA Calculation
  - Most potential employers will calculate your Overall GPA as well as your Accounting GPA (ACCT GPA) for internships and full-time employment. Also, membership in BAPsi requires a 3.2 GPA.
  - AP credits are NOT computed into your GPA.
  - "W" grades do not count in your GPA.

**CPA Information**

- Requirements to sit for the CPA exam vary by state. In Massachusetts, you may apply to sit for the exam if you are at least 18 years of age, be within 90 days of earning a Bachelor’s degree, be completing a degree consisting of at least 120 hours from an accredited university, have completed 21 hours undergraduate accounting courses (see coursework minimum below), and have completed 9 hours of business courses.
- Updated information regarding the CPA exam requirements by state is available at <https://cpacentral.nasba.org/>.
- The schedule below is designed to prepare you to take the CPA exam in the summer after you graduate with your undergraduate degree. Most firms offer starting contracts for September or October after you graduate with the hope that you will pass one or more of the four parts of the CPA exam.
- Graduates need 144 credits to get hired by the larger accounting firms. This is also the requirement to be licensed as a CPA. This can be accomplished by taking 18 credits each semester and the 6 credit CPA review course offered as graduate credit the summer after graduation.

**Required Courses for Accounting**

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Completed
<b>First Year</b>			
MATH 118	Introductory Statistics (Fall)	4	
BUS 100	Foundations of Business & Management (Fall)	4	
ACCT 110	Principles of Financial Accounting (Spring; also offered Fall)	4	
BUS 250	Principles of Marketing (Spring)	4	
<b>Sophomore Year</b>			
ACCT 120*	Managerial Accounting (Fall)	3	
ACCT 200	Intermediate Accounting I (Fall)	4	
ACCT 207	Tax Accounting (Fall)	4	
BUS 234*	Organizational Communication and Behavior (Fall)	3	
ACCT 201	Intermediate Accounting II (Spring)	4	
ACCT 301	Accounting Information Systems (Spring)	4	
BUS 180	Business Law (Spring)	4	
ECON 100	Microeconomics (Spring)	4	
ACCT 325	Accounting Ethics (Spring)	2	
<b>Junior Year</b>			
ACCT 205	Cost Accounting (Fall)	4	
BUS 325	Operations Management & Decision Making (Fall)	4	
ACCT 380	Internship (Spring)	4	
ACCT 308	Audit and Assurance (Spring)	4	
ACCT 381 or Elective	Additional internship credits (Spring) or Elective	4	
<b>Senior Year</b>			
BUS 260	Principles of Finance (Fall)	4	
ACCT 371 or Electives	Advanced Internship (Spring) or Two Elective Courses	8	

\*May be offered as Learning Community courses.

\*\* ACCT 308 may also be taken the Spring of Year 2 or 4, if a student elects to complete a 16 credit internship.

**Capstone**

Students must fulfill 4 semester hours in ACCT 396. Senior standing is required.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Completed
ACCT 396	Accounting Policy and Business Ethics (Spring)	4	

**PLAN Requirements**

Year	Semester	Course Title	Credits	Complete	
One	Fall	<b>BOS 101:</b> The Boston Course	4		
	Spring	<b>SIM 101:</b> The Simmons Course: Explore	2		
		<b>LDR 101:</b> The Leadership Course	4		
Two	Fall or Spring	<b>The Learning Community:</b> Two discipline courses & one integrative seminar	8		
		<b>SIM 201:</b> The Simmons Course: Experience	1		
Three	Fall or Spring	<b>SIM 301:</b> The Simmons Course: Excel	1		
Three & Four	Fall or Spring	<b>3D–</b> Design Across Diverse Disciplines	12		
Any	<b>Requirements</b>		<b>Course Selected</b>		
	<b>Language:</b> Two semesters in the same language, taken sequentially and strongly encouraged to complete within their first two years.			4	
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	<b>Quantitative Literacy (QL)</b>		MATH 118 (or higher)	4	
	<b>Key Content Areas (KCAs)</b>	Aesthetic, Literary and Artistic (ALA)			4
		Global Cultural (GC)			4
		Scientific Inquiry (SCI)			4
Social and Historical (SH)		ECON 100	4		

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