



The University of Sydney
Faculty of Economics and Business



Accounting

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Accountants play a significant role in business resource allocation through their intense engagement with the collection, management and strategic use of information.

Accounting studies give you the tools to understand how and why key decisions are made, and to have input into those decisions, providing opportunities across a broad spectrum of careers in the public, private and third sectors.

As well as an important start on the path to professional accreditation, accounting studies open the door to many other opportunities where the ability to understand and interpret financial and non-financial information is the key capability.

An established leader in teaching and learning in the field of Accounting, the Discipline of Accounting at The University of Sydney is highly influential. It is the only accounting educator in Australia to be accredited for quality by AACSB International.

The Discipline also has an outstanding reputation in research. Many of the Discipline's academics have an international reputation in their particular field of research. A number of international and national accounting journals are published by members of the Discipline.

Students in the Discipline benefit from being exposed to cutting edge research at the frontier of accounting scholarship. The latest research findings are incorporated into teaching programs. Accounting academics work in close cooperation with industry, commerce, government and the accounting profession to the benefit of both our teaching and research.

As well as receiving accreditation of its business and accounting programs from AACSB International, the premier international accrediting agency for bachelors, masters and doctoral degree programs in business administration and accounting, we have been awarded EQUIS accreditation through EFMD, the European Foundation for Management Development.





Further Information

For more information visit www.econ.usyd.edu.au or contact an advisor at the Student Information Office (SIO) on telephone: +61 2 9351 3076 or send an email to the SIO at student@econ.usyd.edu.au

For the most recent information on professional accounting requirements, visit the accreditation websites at:

- CPA - www.cpaaustralia.com.au
- ICAA - www.icaa.org.au

Students of Accounting at the University of Sydney are provided with strong technical, analytical and problem solving skills, while keeping abreast of contemporary issues in accounting practice. A feature of Sydney's accounting program is that it takes an analytical perspective. How is accounting practised? How should it be practised? These and other questions are explored in an atmosphere that encourages a sense of enquiry.

Undergraduate Study

Students may choose to major in accounting only or select the additional units required for associate membership to the professional accounting bodies.

The Accounting major can be taken as part of any of the undergraduate degrees offered by the Faculty. An accounting major provides skills across a broad spectrum of careers where an ability to understand and interpret financial and non-financial information is a key capability. (www.econ.usyd.edu.au/major/20)

Postgraduate Study

Master of Professional Accounting

The Master of Professional Accounting program provides the basis for professional accreditation with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (ICAA) and CPA Australia. It provides knowledge, understanding and expertise in professional accountancy to students with little or no previous study in the accounting field.

Students can also take a double degree Master of Commerce/Master of Professional Accounting by taking a further 4 units of study.

Master of Commerce - Accounting

Students looking for an in-depth understanding of accounting for use in an executive or managerial position are recommended to consider an Accounting major within the Master of Commerce (www.econ.usyd.edu.au/major/58).

Careers

The accounting profession today is high profile and stimulating. Almost every business, public sector unit or not-for-profit organisation requires the services of an accountant at some stage.

Graduates can look forward to working within an accounting practice or other public, private or third sector organisation in a wide variety of roles such as chief financial officers, chief information officers, financial controllers, company secretaries, financial analysts and planners, tax and estate advisers, financial and management accountants, auditors, system designers, investment advisors and managers.