

ACCOUNTING, A.A.S.

Location(s): AL, AN, LO, MA, NOL, WO

NOVA Code: 2030

Purpose

The curriculum is designed for persons who seek employment in the accounting field or for those presently in accounting who wish to increase their knowledge and update their skills. Job opportunities include accounting trainee, accounting technician, junior accountant, and accountant.

NOVA's A.A.S. in Accounting is excellent for those interested in the organization and reporting of financial data. Upon completion of the program, students can take an additional three courses for the Accounting Career Studies Certificate, and then are eligible to proceed to the CPA exam (if other education requirements are satisfied). Contact the Virginia Board of Accountancy for all education requirements.

Transfer Information

Transfer is not the primary purpose of an A.A.S. program, but NOVA has articulation agreements that facilitate the transfer of this and other career-oriented programs to selected senior institutions. Students interested in transfer should contact a counselor or their academic advisor early in their program.

Recommended Preparation

The student should possess a proficiency in high school English and a strong background in basic arithmetic.

Two Years

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester		
ACC 211	Principles of Accounting I	3
BUS 100	Introduction to Business	3
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
ITE 152	Introduction to Digital and Information Literacy and Computer Applications	3
Select one of the following:		3
MTH 154	Quantitative Reasoning	1
MTH 155	Statistical Reasoning (or Higher)	
SDV 100 or SDV 101	College Success Skills or Orientation to:	1
Credits		16
2nd Semester		
ACC 212	Principles of Accounting II	3
ACC 215	Computerized Accounting	3
CST 110 or CST 227	Introduction to Human Communication or Business and Professional Communication	3
ECO 150	Economic Essentials: Theory and Application	3
ITE 140	Spreadsheet Software	3
Credits		15
3rd Semester		
ACC 221	Intermediate Accounting I	3
ACC 231	Cost Accounting I	3
ACC 261	Principles of Federal Taxation I	3
BUS 240	Introduction to Business Law	3
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
Credits		15

4th Semester

ACC 222	Intermediate Accounting II	3
ACC 241	Auditing I	3
BUS 200	Principles of Management	3
BUS 220	Introduction to Business Statistics ¹	3
FIN 215	Financial Management	3
PHI 220	Ethics and Society	3
Credits		18
Total Credits		64

Upon the completion of this program, students may consider the Accounting Career Studies Certificate (<https://catalog.nvcc.edu/programs/accounting-csc/>). Additional courses needed are as follows: ACC 219 Gov. & Not-For-Profit Accounting, ACC 262 Principles of Federal Taxation II, and ACC 230 Advanced Accounting.

¹ May substitute with BUS 224 Business Statistics. Alternatively, students may request MTH 245 Statistics I as substitute for BUS 220 Introduction to Business Statistics; contact a faculty advisor to request a course substitute for MTH 245 Statistics I.