ACCOUNTING is the process of identifying, measuring, and communicating economic information to make informed judgments and decisions by users of the information. Our curriculum is designed with sufficient flexibility to prepare students for the many career options available including financial accounting, cost accounting, auditing, taxation, accounting information systems, accounting analytics, forensic accounting, and governmental and not-for-profit accounting.

Careers

• CPA firms ranging from top multinational to local recruit our students. Companies in different industries (not-for-profit and governmental entities) also have interest in employing our Accounting students. They know our graduates are prepared for the job on day one.

• Majority of our internship students have full-time accounting jobs by the time they graduate.

• Over 90% of our bachelor’s degree students and nearly 100% of our Master of Accountancy students find degree-related employment – often before they’ve even graduated!

Student Organizations

We’re not just numbers people. We are people people too.

• Living Learning Community (LLC)
• Freshman Interest Group – Join a FIG from your LLC for even more opportunities!
• Accounting Society
• Ascend
• Beta Alpha Psi honors accounting organization
• National Association of Black Accountants

OPPORTUNITIES

• SIU accountancy students were crowned national champions in the 2023 Deloitte FanTAXtic tax case competition.

• Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program – Become an IRS-certified volunteer tax preparer AND give back to your community.

• Undergraduate Certificate in Accounting – Our 30-credit-hour program qualifies you to take the CPA exam. Available online and on campus.

• Online Accountancy degree completion – Finish your SIU bachelor’s degree in Accountancy online. We are the only public university in Illinois offering an accredited online accounting completion option that qualifies you to take the CPA exam!

• SIU offers a Masters of Accountancy degree, both online and on campus.

We are a separately accredited accounting program by the AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), a distinction held by less than 1 percent of accounting programs worldwide. AND we are full members of the Federation of Schools of Accountancy.