Accounting Major

Skills:

- Analytical skills
- Ability to synthesize
- Computer knowledge
- Motivation/initiative/drive
- Mathematics
- Legal knowledge
- Communication
- Abstract thinking
- Logical problem solving
- Interpersonal skills
- Objectivity
- Decision making

Typical Work Activities:

- Designing systems to gather financial and related information
- Accumulating and summarizing information
- Analyzing and interpreting data
- Conducting examinations of financial statements
- Compilation and review of financial information
- Tax return and supporting document preparation
- Devising a reporting system for better control and decision making
- Determine the financial effects of projected management actions aimed at achieving organization objectives

Sample Occupations:

- Inventory Control Specialist
- Staff Accountant
- Auditor
- Bank Examiner
- Benefits Administrator
- Actuary
- IRS Investigator
- Loan Administrator
- Management Consultant
- Budgetary Control Analyst
- Personal Financial Planner
- Chief Financial Officer
- Claims Adjuster
- Consumer Credit Officer
- Accounting Manager
- Controller
- Cost Accountant
- Credit and Collection Specialist
- FBI or CIA Agent
- Forensic Accountant
- Governmental Accountant
- Underwriter
- Trust Accountant
- Treasurer
- Tax Specialist
- Systems Analyst
- Senior Accountant
- Securities Broker
- Public Accountant
- Professor
- CPA
- Managerial Accountant
Sample Occupational Settings:

- Federal, state and local government agencies
- Banks/financial institutions
- Major Corporations
- The Big 6 Accounting firms
- Consulting firms
- Non-Profit organizations

Professional Associations

American Accounting Association
http://www.aaa-edu.org

American Society of Women Accountants
http://www.aswa.org

Institute of Internal Auditors
http://www.theiia.org

American Association of Finance & Accounting
http://www.aafa.com

Association of Government Accountants
http://www.agacgfm.org

National Society for Accountants
http://www.nsacct.org

The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
http://www.aicpa.org

Accounting Career Websites

The AICPA Student Career Site

The Occupation Outlook Handbook (OOH) – Accountants & Auditors

Accounting Jobs Today

Careers-in-Accounting.com

IRS Jobs

Jobs in the Money
Accounting Recruiters:

Robert Half Finance & Accounting Recruiters
Accountemps Staffing
Kforce – Accounting & Finance
The Mergis Group
Ajilon Finance
SNI Financial & Accounting

Links to “Big 4” Career Pages:

PriceWaterhouseCoopers
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu
Ernst & Young
KPMG