



# Bachelor of Science in Accounting



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“Penn State is excited to offer the Bachelor of Science in Accounting online through Penn State World Campus. Now, students who wish to pursue a degree in accounting are not hampered by location or other life commitments. Students in this program can prepare for a career in many areas of accounting practice—financial accounting, managerial and cost accounting, tax accounting, governmental and not-for-profit accounting, accounting information systems, and auditing. They can also work toward fulfilling the academic requirements to sit for the Certified Public Accountant exam, the Certified Management Accountant exam, or other professional certification examinations.”

—Tom Amile, Ph.D., CMA, CFM  
Associate Professor of Accounting  
Program Director, Bachelor of Science  
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# Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Penn State's online Bachelor of Science in Accounting is a 120-credit program designed to provide you with a solid foundation in the principles of accounting. It is one of only a few degrees offered online by an AACSB-accredited program, an honor reserved for the top 5% of all business schools in the world.

## More about AACSB Accreditation

Did you know that the AACSB accreditation is the highest recognition that a business school can receive? In order to receive an AACSB accreditation, an academic program must demonstrate a long-term commitment to providing the best in business and accounting education. The Penn State accounting program was subject to an extensive initial review, and remains engaged in a continuous improvement review process, to ensure the upholding of the standards required for accreditation.

When recruiters and business leaders see an AACSB-accredited program on your résumé, they will know that you've received a superior education from a program recognized as one of the best in the world.



# Curriculum

If you aspire to play an integral role in the financial success of a business (or individual), Penn State’s online accounting program can help you gain the critical knowledge you need—without setting foot on campus.

The curriculum is comprehensive, but flexible enough to allow you to select electives that suit your specific career aspirations.

## You can acquire the skills needed to:

- › demonstrate proficiency in a variety of accounting practices, including the preparation of financial accounting information, cost accounting, tax accounting, and auditing
- › effectively evaluate the impact and implications of relevant business functions and develop an integrative, interdisciplinary appreciation of business situations, problems, and solutions
- › think critically, communicate effectively, and conduct business in an ethically and socially responsible manner

## Here is a sampling of course work offered in the program:

### Accounting Course Work

- › Advanced Financial Accounting
- › Auditing
- › Cost Accounting
- › Federal Taxation I
- › Intermediate Financial Accounting I
- › Intermediate Financial Accounting II

### Business-Related Course Work

- › Basic Management Concepts
- › Business Strategy
- › Corporation Finance
- › Information Systems Management and Applications
- › Introduction to Business Information Systems



Please view the complete course listing online:

[worldcampus.psu.edu/acctgcourses](http://worldcampus.psu.edu/acctgcourses)



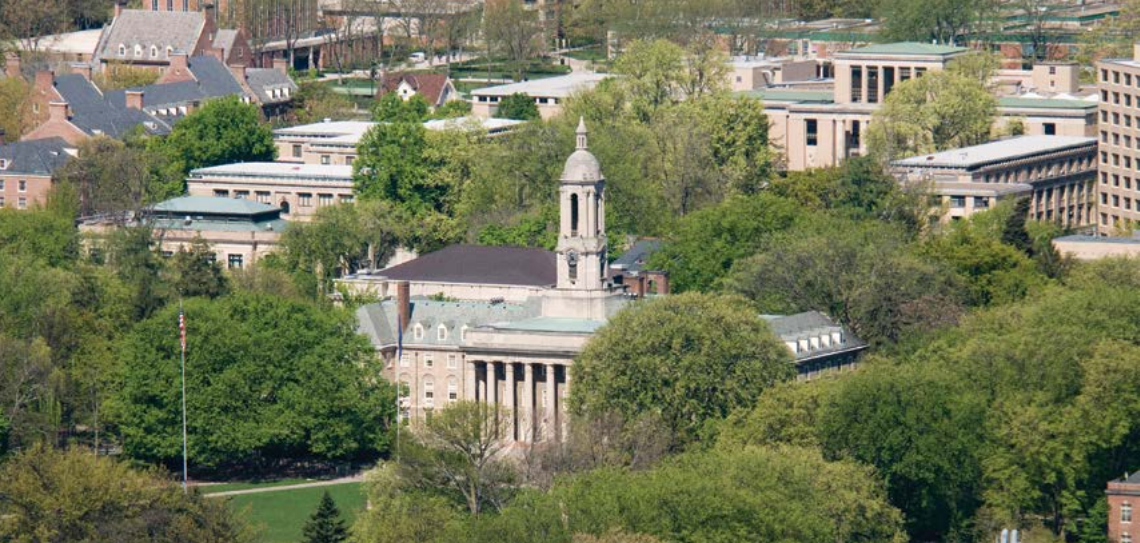
## Consider Your Future

The field of accounting offers multiple and diverse career paths for practitioners. Because of the driving demand for qualified accountants and auditors, earning your accounting degree from Penn State World Campus can expand your opportunities for employment and advancement in a wide range of businesses and organizations.

As a graduate of the online accounting program, you can choose to pursue one or more of these in-demand certifications:

- › Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
- › Certified Management Accountant (CMA)
- › Certified Internal Auditor (CIA)
- › Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE)
- › Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA)

This undergraduate accounting degree can prepare you for graduate school or help you pursue an accounting career in public accounting, industry, government, or the not-for-profit sector. Regardless of the path you take, pursuing a Penn State degree can help move your career in the right direction.



# Why Penn State?

## **A Respected, High-Quality Education**

In 1892, Penn State founded one of our nation's first correspondence courses. In 1998, we were one of the first major accredited universities to provide online education. We are committed to ensuring that you have access to a quality academic experience, even when you have job and family obligations to fulfill. Our Bachelor of Science in Accounting program has been developed through a partnership between Penn State Harrisburg School of Business Administration and Penn State World Campus, a pioneer in providing global online access to a real university education.

Your online courses are the same academically challenging courses that are taught on campus. Yet they give you the flexibility and convenience to study wherever you are, at times that suit your own schedule.

## **Faculty**

The courses in the Bachelor of Science in Accounting program are designed and taught by Penn State professors whose teaching and research interests combine academic expertise and industry experience. They are leaders in their fields and experts in the subjects that they teach, and they are committed to making sure you get a quality academic experience in your online programs.

## **Employer Recognized and Accepted**

The online undergraduate Accounting program will carry the same Penn State commitment to high quality that is respected by employers everywhere. And when you graduate, your diploma will be the same as any other awarded by Penn State. Penn State World Campus is the real Penn State. The only difference is the way in which the courses are delivered to you.

# Begin Your Application Today

## How to Begin

1. For the Bachelor of Science in Accounting, visit:  
[worldcampus.psu.edu/bsaccounting](http://worldcampus.psu.edu/bsaccounting)
2. Click the “Apply Now” button to access your application.

### General Admission

### Requirements

To apply to the program, you need to be a high school graduate or have obtained a GED.

#### Necessary Documentation for Application Portfolio

- › official high school transcripts or GED transcript
- › official military transcripts (if applicable) and/or official college or university transcripts, if you attended another institution
- › TOEFL or IELTS score (if applicable)

### Deadlines

Please visit your program’s “How to Apply” page for application deadlines.

Please visit our website for a more detailed description of the requirements and application procedure: [worldcampus.psu.edu/admissions](http://worldcampus.psu.edu/admissions)

## Did You Know?

- › Penn State has aligned its online programs, student support services, policies, and procedures to support military personnel, veterans, and military family members.
- › Penn State World Campus is consistently placed in the top 10 by *U.S. News & World Report* for having the best online bachelor’s programs.
- › Penn State World Campus has enrolled students from all 50 states and all 7 continents.



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