

# What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

## Accounting

Fisher College of Business

Accounting is the analyzing and recording of financial transactions, the summarizing of financial data in financial statements and reports, the interpretation of financial data for decision making, the development of budgets for future planning, the determination of taxes and tax planning, the auditing of records and development of systems to verify financial activity, and the internal control of the activity being examined. The accounting major will prepare students for the application of skills to any entity of economic activity such as a business, a government, a charity, or an individual. The purpose of accounting is to provide relevant information to decision makers, managers, investors, creditors, labor unions, government regulators, and others interested in the financial well-being and future of the entity.<sup>1</sup>

### Career Areas/Job Titles:

#### Management and Industry

Loan Officer Administrator  
Underwriter  
Credit Manager  
Personal Financial Planner  
International Accountant  
Controller  
Financial Investment Analyst  
Consumer Credit Officer  
Commercial Banker

Stock Broker  
Inventory Control Specialist  
Systems Analyst  
Certified Public Accountant  
**Education**  
Researcher  
Professor  
Financial Consultant  
Employment Agency Counselor  
Financial Aid Director

#### Non-Profit/Advocacy

Environmental Accounting  
**Government/Politics**  
FBI Agent  
IRS Investigator  
Auditor  
Budget Analyst  
Tax Attorney

*\*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

### Transferable Skills:

Basic Computer/Tech Skills	Analytical/Critical Thinking	Strategic Planning/Visioning
Written Communication	Problem Solving	Quantitative Reasoning
Verbal Communication	Forecasting/Predicting	Data Analysis
Listening Skills	Gathering Information	
Adaptability/Flexibility	Attention to Detail	
Managing Time/Stress	Organization Skills	

*\*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:  
<http://ccss.osu.edu>*

### Professional Links:

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants: <http://www.aicpa.org/BecomeACPA/Pages/BecomeaCPA.aspx>  
Accounting Career Resource Guide: <http://www.allbusinessschools.com/business-careers/accounting/accounting>  
Institute of Management Accountants: [http://www.imanet.org/ima\\_home.aspx](http://www.imanet.org/ima_home.aspx)  
The Institute of Internal Auditors: <http://www.theiia.org/>