# BBA DEGREE: ACCOUNTANCY CONCENTRATION

**for students who entered GWSB between Fall 2009 – Summer 2014**

**Please note:** Students wanting to declare an Accountancy concentration on the Old Curriculum (Fall 09-Sum 14) must submit an individualized field application to the Advising Center. This concentration was created for the new BBA (Fall 2014) curriculum, and will appear as an individualized field for students on the Old BBA (Fall 09- Sum 14).

**Requirements:** In order to complete the Finance Concentration in the BBA Degree, a total of seven courses must be taken: One (1) Analytical Tools Elective, Five (5) Field Courses, and One (1) Field-Related Elective.

## CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS

### COURSE OPTIONS

| Analytical Tools Elective (1) | STAT 2112: Business & Economics Statistics II or STAT 2118: Regression Analysis or ECON/STAT 2123: Introduction to Econometrics | PREREQUISITES
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### Field Courses (5)

**THREE REQUIRED FIELD COURSES**

| 1. ACCY 3101: Intermediate Accounting I (Fall Only) | ACCY 2001 |
| 2. ACCY 3102: Intermediate Accounting II (Spring Only) | ACCY 3101 or permission of instructor |
| 3. ACCY 3106: Financial Statement Analysis* or ACCY 4501: Accounting Systems* (Spring Only) | ACCY 2002 |

**SELECT TWO ADDITIONAL FIELD COURSES FROM THESE OPTIONS**

| ACCY 3106: Financial Statement Analysis* | ACCY 2002 |
| ACCY 3401: Federal Income Taxation (Fall Only) | None |
| ACCY 3403: Advanced Tax (Spring Only) | ACCY 2001 & 3401 |
| ACCY 4107: Advanced Accounting (Fall Only) | ACCY 3101 & 3102 |
| ACCY 4301: Auditing (Fall Only) | ACCY 3102 |
| ACCY 4501: Accounting Systems* (Spring Only) | ACCY 3102 |

### Field-Related Elective (1)

A Field-Related Elective may be selected with prior permission from the Accountancy Dept.

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### Recommended Sequence for Accountancy Concentration Students

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<td><strong>Fall:</strong> MATH 1051 or 1231; ECON 1011</td>
<td><strong>Fall:</strong> STAT 1051, 1053, or 1111, or APSC 3115; ACCY 2001</td>
<td><strong>Fall:</strong> STAT 2112 or 2118; ACCY 3101</td>
<td><strong>Either Semester:</strong> ACCY 3106 or ACCY 4501 (Spring only); 1-2 addt’l ACCY Field courses or FRE (depending on remaining course requirements)</td>
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<td><strong>Spring:</strong> MATH 1252 or 1232; ECON 1012</td>
<td><strong>Spring:</strong> ACCY 2002; BADM 3501; BADM 3001</td>
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^ Signature Course

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Accountancy Field Overview

The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) with a concentration in Accountancy provides undergraduate students with the analytical tools and conceptual framework needed to understand and record financial transactions. Accounting is the management of financial information. Accountants design and implement systems that capture relevant information from transactions in which an organization engages, analyze it, and communicate it to others.

Comparison with the Bachelor of Accountancy Degree

GWSB offers two options for students to study accountancy: the Bachelor of Business Administration degree (BBA) with a concentration in Accountancy and the Bachelor of Accountancy (BAccy) degree. For students who plan to work as an accountant, often with a CPA designation, the BAccy degree program is more appropriate because it offers substantially more extensive preparation in accounting. The BBA degree with an Accy concentration is intended to be paired with a complementary field of concentration. In the BAccy degree program, students take ten upper-level accounting classes, compared to five courses for the BBA concentration in Accountancy. For BBA students who plan to pursue careers in finance, Accountancy is an ideal second concentration with Finance because it provides a strong background in the accounting information that underlies many financial decisions. BBA students with a concentration in information systems often pursue jobs related to accounting information systems, which would make Accountancy an excellent choice for a second concentration.

Career Choices in Accountancy

Students who complete the BBA field of concentration in Accountancy should be particularly strong candidates in the job market because of how this field complements other concentrations. For example, students who also select a field in Finance would be particularly well-prepared to apply for professional positions such as a credit analyst, equity analyst, or financial analyst. The stronger background in Accounting should make students substantially more attractive to potential employers because finance jobs rely heavily on accounting knowledge. Students who also have a concentration in ISTM would be particularly qualified for information systems jobs involving accounting information.

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