BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IN ACCOUNTING

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
The demand for accounting graduates continues to grow as financial transactions become more sophisticated, as tax laws change, and as new government regulations are introduced.

All types of organizations—public and private—require accounting personnel. Those working in private accounting can specialize in financial accounting/reporting, cost accounting, accounting information systems, managerial accounting, internal auditing, tax accounting, budgeting, and financial analysis. Those working in public accounting can specialize in external auditing, management advisory services, tax accounting, and valuation services.

Employers of accountants include: public accounting firms, banks, retail and wholesale businesses, manufacturers, pension funds, foundations, hospitals, universities, churches, nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and consulting companies. Self-employed accountants may set up their own offices and work for private clients.

STUDENT EXPERIENCES
Accounting students at Youngstown State University have the opportunity to build their technical and leadership skills through various WCBA student organizations. Specific organizations related to accounting include the Institute of Management Accountants and Beta Alpha Psi, the professional business organization for accounting, finance and information system majors. Students can also become student members of the American Institute of CPA’s, the Ohio Society of CPA’s and the Institute of Management Accountants. All business majors are strongly encouraged to complete internships. Internships are career-related work experiences that enable students to apply their knowledge and skills in an organizational setting. In the WCBA, internships that are approved for academic credit must be paid. Completing a career-related internship markedly improves a student’s job prospects upon graduation.

REQUIREMENTS TO SIT FOR THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS (CPA) EXAM
Ohio residents wishing to sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam are currently required to have completed 150 semester hours of education—It should be noted however that proposed legislation would reduce the education requirement to sit for the exam to 120 semester hours of study. For those interested in meeting the current 150 semester hour requirement the WCBA offers the Master of Accountancy (MAcc) Program. This program is a 30 semester hour graduate program. With proper planning and coordination, a student can complete both a BSBA and MAcc in five years. For more information on sitting for the CPA exam, please contact the Accountancy Board of Ohio (http://www.acc.ohio.gov/).

For more information, visit the Lariccia School of Accounting and Finance (http://www.ysu.edu/academics/williamson-college-business-administration/).

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ACCOUNTING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

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ACCOUNTING UPPER LEVEL COURSES
Select 6 SH upper level Accounting courses not included in major. Students should consider at least one internship.

BUSINESS UPPER LEVEL COURSES
Select 3 SH courses from a business area (ACCT, ADV, BUS, ENT, FIN, MGT, MKTG)
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Accounting

### Year 1
#### Fall
- YSU 1500 or SS 1500 or HONR 1500: Success Seminar or Strong Start Success Seminar or Intro to Honors 1-2 S.H.
- ENGL 1550 or ENGL 1549: Writing 1 or Writing 1 with Support 3-4 S.H.
- BUS 1500: Exploring Business 3 S.H.
- MATH 1552: Applied Mathematics for Management 4 S.H.
- CMST 1545: Communication Foundations 3 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 14-16

#### Spring
- ENGL 1551: Writing 2 3 S.H.
- PHIL 2628: Business Ethics 3 S.H.
- BUS 2600: Business Applications of Microsoft Excel 3 S.H.
- ECON 2610: Principles 1: Microeconomics 3 S.H.
- GE: SPA 4 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 15

### Year 2
#### Fall
- ACCT 2602: Financial Accounting 3 S.H.
- ENGL 3742: Business Writing 3 S.H.
- MGT 2604: Legal Environment of Business 1 3 S.H.
- ECON 2630: Principles 2: Macroeconomics 3 S.H.
- GE: Lab Science 3 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 16

#### Spring
- ACCT 2603: Managerial Accounting 3 S.H.
- ECON 3788: Statistics for Business and Economics 1 3 S.H.
- MKTG 3702: Business Professionalism 1 S.H.
- GE: Natural Science 3 S.H.
- GE: Social & Personal Awareness 3 S.H.
- GE: Arts & Humanities 3 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 16

### Year 3
#### Fall
- ACCT 3701: Intermediate Accounting 1 4 S.H.
- ACCT 3711: Cost Accounting 3 S.H.
- MGT 3725: Fundamentals of Management 3 S.H.
- BUS 3700: Business Analytics 3 S.H.
- MKTG 3703: Marketing Concepts and Practice 3 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 16

#### Spring
- ACCT 3702: Intermediate Accounting 2 4 S.H.
- ACCT 3709: Accounting Information Systems 1 4 S.H.
- FIN 3720: Business Finance 3 S.H.
- ACCT Upper Level Course, Internship Recommended 3 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 14

### Year 4
#### Fall
- ACCT 4801: Advanced Accounting 4 S.H.
- MGT 3789: Operations Management 3 S.H.
- MGT 3714: Legal Environment of Business 2 3 S.H.
- BUS 3715: Principles of International Business 3 S.H.
- Upper Level Business Course 3 S.H.

**Semester Hours:** 16

**Total Semester Hours:** 121-123

ENGL 1550, ENGL 1551, Business Tool and upper level business courses (ACCT, ADV, BUS, ENT, FIN, MGT, MKTG) must be completed with the grade of a “C” or higher and cannot be taken credit/no credit.

To enroll in upper level Business courses students must have successfully completed ENGL 1550, ENGL 1551, PHIL 2628, CMST 1545 and business Tool courses AND have a minimum 2.5 overall GPA.

### Learning Outcomes

The student learning outcomes for majors within the Lariccia School of Accounting and Finance are as follows:

- Students will be able to identify, formulate, and solve discipline-specific problems within the context of business, ethical, and societal constraints;
- Students will learn to function and communicate (in writing and orally) both individually and within multidisciplinary teams;
- Students will develop enhanced technology skills by being exposed to assignments requiring advanced computer/spreadsheet knowledge, expanded presentation activity (e.g. PowerPoint in the oral-intensive courses), and required analysis of financial statements;
- Students will be given opportunities to work with and be exposed to the business community and professionals through internship opportunities, student organizations, and social functions;
- Students will obtain an understanding of professional and ethical responsibilities and a recognition of and an appreciation for the need to engage in life-long learning.