

# Accounting | Bachelor's Degree

|   | FIRST YEAR  | MIDDLE YEARS  | LAST YEARS   |
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| <b>ADVANCE</b><br>your academic journey               | <p>Meet with a <a href="#">First Year Advisor</a> to develop your academic planning.</p> <p>Explore the <a href="#">McCoy College Success Center</a> and identify your support services.</p> <p>Take advantage of the <a href="#">Student Learning Assistance Center</a> (Tutoring).</p> <p>Join the <a href="#">Business Living and Learning Community</a> to live near and learn with peers.</p>  | <p>Visit the <a href="#">CenturyLink Academic Advising Center</a> at the McCoy College of Business for guidance toward successful degree completion, resources and assistance in achieving academic, personal, and professional goals.</p> <p>Attend an information session on graduate degrees in accounting (MAcy and MSAIT): <a href="#">Master of Accountancy : McCoy College of Business : Texas State University</a>, <a href="#">M.S. in Accounting and Information Technology : McCoy College of Business : Texas State University</a>.</p> <p>Share your knowledge as a <a href="#">Peer Mentor</a> or <a href="#">Tutor at SLAC</a>.</p> <p>Explore external scholarship opportunities such as the <a href="#">Fulbright</a> Scholarship to take your expertise to unique locations abroad.</p> | <p>Explore next steps, including MAcy and MSAIT.</p> <p>Complement your degree with a <a href="#">micro credential</a>.</p> <p>Create and update a digital portfolio of academic work and experiences.</p> <p>Meet with a faculty mentor or peer advisor.</p>  |
| <b>EXPAND</b><br>your personal and social development | <p>Attend the <a href="#">McCoy College Welcome Celebration</a> during your first fall semester.</p> <p>Join a <a href="#">business-related student organization</a> or search the <a href="#">Bobcat Organization Hub</a>.</p> <p>Locate courses that include <a href="#">Service-Learning Excellence</a> and consider enrollment.</p> <p>Attend <a href="#">Education Abroad</a> and <a href="#">Study in America</a> information sessions to plan a future opportunity to have a global or intercultural experience.</p> | <p>Join an <a href="#">accounting student organization</a>.</p> <p>Expand your leadership skills through <a href="#">Student Involvement's Leadership &amp; Service</a> programming and workshops.</p> <p>Consider McCoy's specially tailored <a href="#">Global Education</a> programs including several faculty-led and affiliated provider summer program options.</p> <p>Meet with an advisor in <a href="#">Education Abroad</a> or <a href="#">Study in America</a> to explore financial aid options.</p> <p>Attend a <a href="#">Nonprofit and Volunteer Fair</a> from <a href="#">Student Involvement</a> to jump into meaningful service in TXST's community.</p>  | <p>Be sure to include <a href="#">Business Leadership Week</a> this year to capture professional insights and opportunities.</p> <p>Select a service activity through <a href="#">Student Involvement</a> to give back to the area community.</p> <p>Attend a <a href="#">Student Government Senate</a> meeting to contribute to your fellow students and your own student experience.</p>   |
| <b>ENRICH</b><br>your practical competence            | <p>Learn the details to build your resume and grow professionally with the <a href="#">McCoy Ready Program</a>.</p> <p>Consider your future <a href="#">Study in America</a> options.</p> <p>Attend an <a href="#">Education Abroad</a> information session.</p> <p>Attend <a href="#">Business Leadership Week</a> each spring.</p> <p>Attend an <a href="#">IDEA Center</a> workshop to learn more about undergraduate research.</p>  | <p>Learn the <a href="#">accounting internship policies</a> before taking the internship course or accepting an internship.</p> <p>Join an <a href="#">accounting student organization</a>.</p> <p>During your junior and senior year, take advantage of the <a href="#">McCoy Student Center Mentoring program</a> specially designed to pair you with an alumnus who is a seasoned business professional.</p> <p>Apply for one of the <a href="#">leadership development programs</a>, relational values or emerging leaders, offered by the McCoy Student Success Center.</p> <p>Discover <a href="#">Global Online Learning Experiences</a> for courses with culturally dynamic perspectives.</p>   | <p>Learn about <a href="#">Global Career Accelerator</a> options that give you experience with global companies and in-demand tech skills.</p> <p>Join a professional organization in your major or passion.</p> <p>Deliver a presentation in a student conference, workshop, seminar or community organization.</p>   |
| <b>ELEVATE</b><br>your career and professional life   | <p>Complete your <a href="#">Career Assessments</a>, such as Focus2.</p> <p>Develop and review your <a href="#">resume</a> with Career Services.</p> <p>Create your <a href="#">Handshake</a> profile.</p> <p>Create your <a href="#">LinkedIn</a> profile and connect with colleagues and leaders.</p> <p>Download the Suitable app to identify engagement opportunities and track your participation as part of the <a href="#">McCoy Ready Program</a>.</p>  | <p>Attend <a href="#">accounting specific recruiting events</a> to identify and pursue internships and jobs.</p> <p>Prepare to <a href="#">ace your job interviews</a> with Career Services or your academic department.</p> <p>Develop an internship plan with <a href="#">Career Services</a> or your academic department.</p> <p>Report your internship offers to <a href="#">Career Services</a>.</p>   | <p>Attend <a href="#">Accounting Department events</a> such as Winter Fest and the Awards Ceremony for networking with companies and recognition for academic success.</p> <p>Develop a full-time employment or graduate school plan with <a href="#">Career Services</a>.</p> <p>Complete your <a href="#">First Destination Survey</a> to share your post-graduation plans.</p> <p>Identify faculty and professional references.</p> |

**OUTCOMES**

## Marketable Skills

Demonstrate an understanding of professional ethics and the ability to apply professional ethics

Use data analysis skills to make business decisions.

Demonstrate the ability to formulate a plan to analyze data and interpret the results to support a decision

Demonstrate a basic understanding of international accounting practices and an understanding of the role accounting plays in the functioning of capital markets and the global economy

[See more marketable skills for this major](#)

## Experiences in Accounting

Accounting undergraduates access the foundational knowledge, technical skills, professionalism training and networking opportunities essential to turn the BBA in accounting into a meaningful career. There is a high demand for accounting skills, and graduates with a BBA in accounting have strong placement rates thanks to unique opportunities offered to meet major recruiters at our career fairs, work together with fellow students in one of our student organizations, and gain real-world experience through internships and our volunteer income tax assistance (VITA) clinic. Those pursuing licensure as a Certified Professional Accountant typically matriculate into a one-year master of accountancy (MAcy) or master of accounting and information technology (MSAIT), during which they complete full-time internships for credit and pay. The placement rate for students who complete the MAcy and MSAIT is close to one hundred percent. The student experience is enhanced by access to an array of additional experiences through the McCoy College Student Success Center.

## Career Opportunities

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| Financial analyst        | Staff accountant    |
| Chief financial officer  | Budget analyst      |
| Financial manager        | Certified public    |
| Financial advisor        | Accountant          |
| Management accountant    | Auditor             |
| Cost accountant          | Internal auditor    |
| Controller               | External auditor    |
| Chief compliance officer | Audit manager       |
| Government accounting    | Forensic accountant |
|                          | Tax examiner        |
|                          | Tax advisor         |
|                          | Tax preparer        |