

# CPA PREPARATION–POST BACCALAUREATE, ADVANCED CERTIFICATE



College(s): HW

Program Code: 0418

The CPA Preparation–Post Baccalaureate program will provide 30 hours of accounting coursework with additional specific credits in business ethics, business communications, and research and analysis as required to sit the Uniform CPA examination.

## Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Program Core</b>		
BUSINES 284	Business Communications	3
	or ENGLISH 10: Business Writing	
BUSINES 214	The Legal & Social Environment of Business	3
	or PHIL 107 Ethics	
BUSINES 181	Financial Accounting	4
BUSINES 182	Managerial Accounting	4
BUSINES 204 & BUSINES 205	Computer Applications Intermediate Accounting and Intermediate Accounting	4
BUSINES 206	Auditing	3
BUSINES 207	Intermediate Accounting II	3
BUSINES 208	Federal Income Tax	3
BUSINES 211	Business Law I	3
	or BUSINES 21: Business Law II	
BUSINES 215	Corporate and Entity Federal Income Tax	3
<b>Program Electives</b>		
Select one of the following:		3
BUSINES 180	Fundamentals Of Accounting	

BUSINES 203	Intro Cost Accounting
BUSINES 217	Nonprofit Accounting
BUSINES 218	Advanced Accounting
BUSINES 249	Independent Research
BUSINES 250	Computerized Accounting Systems
BUSINES 299	Special Topics

**Total Hours** **36**

## Pathway

This is an **example course sequence** for students interested in pursuing CPA Preparation–Post Baccalaureate. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. If this pathway is followed as outlined, you will earn an Advanced Certificate.

## Semester-by-Semester Program Plan for Full-Time Student

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding more semesters.

Semester 1		Hours
BUSINES 181	Financial Accounting	4
BUSINES 211	Business Law I	3
BUSINES 284	Business Communications	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
Semester 2		Hours
BUSINES 182	Managerial Accounting	4
BUSINES 214	The Legal & Social Environment of Business	3
	or PHIL 107 or Ethics	
<b>Hours</b>		<b>7</b>
Semester 3		Hours
Select one of the following Electives:		3
BUSINES 203	Intro Cost Accounting	

BUSINES 180	Fundamentals Of Accounting	
BUSINES 217	Nonprofit Accounting	
BUSINES 218	Advanced Accounting	
BUSINES 249	Independent Research	
BUSINES 250	Computerized Accounting Systems	
BUSINES 299	Special Topics	
BUSINES 204	Computer Applications Intermediate Accounting <sup>1</sup>	1
BUSINES 205	Intermediate Accounting <sup>1</sup>	3
BUSINES 208	Federal Income Tax	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Semester 4</b>		
BUSINES 206	Auditing	3
BUSINES 207	Intermediate Accounting II	3
BUSINES 215	Corporate and Entity Federal Income Tax	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students must be concurrently enrolled in BUSINES 204 Computer Applications Intermediate Accounting and BUSINES 205 Intermediate Accounting.

Choose your courses with your College Advisor.

## Careers

This program can prepare students for the jobs listed below. Click on each one to learn more, including average earnings, annual job openings, and how much education people in that field have. For additional guidance and resources on career options, current City Colleges students and alumni can contact the Career Services Office (<https://www.ccc.edu/departments/Pages/Career-Services.aspx>).

## Accountants and Auditors

### Job Description

Examine, analyze, and interpret accounting records to prepare financial statements, give advice, or audit and evaluate statements prepared by others. Install or advise on systems of recording costs or other financial and budgetary data.

### Salary Based on Experience Level

Take a look at the average hourly/annual earnings for this career in Cook County

Lightcast earnings figures are based on OES data from the BLS and include base rate, cost of living allowances, guaranteed pay, hazardous-duty pay, incentive pay (including commissions and bonuses), on-call pay, and tips.

#### Annual Wages

Entry-Level 10 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	\$51,845
Median 50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	\$83,519
Senior-Level 90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	\$151,908

#### Hourly Wages

Entry-Level 10 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	\$25
Median 50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	\$40
Senior-Level 90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	\$73

## Annual Job Openings

2451 annual openings in Cook County

## National Education Attainment

Here, you can see the level of education that people in this career complete.

Degree Program	% of Jobs
A high school diploma or less	0.00%
A certificate	0.00%
Some college	39.48%
An Associate degree	14.08%
A Bachelor's degree	43.60%
A Master's or Professional degree	2.84%
A Doctoral degree or more	0.00%

46.44% continue their education beyond an associate degree