

Certificate of Accountancy – 505E

Program Planning Guide

Program Description: This certificate is designed for college graduates who are working toward meeting the educational requirements of the Washington State CPA Examination. Additional courses are necessary to fulfill the requirements to sit for the exam. The courses in this certificate are not considered to be an official statement of acceptability by the Washington State Board of Accountancy. Students should consult the [State Board's website](#) for specific exam requirements. In addition, we strongly recommend that all CPA applicants complete a CPA review course to adequately prepare for the CPA Examination. See discovercpa.org for CPA Exam review providers.

Prerequisites: Many classes have prerequisites. Prerequisites are those classes that prove eligibility for entry-level classes by testing or by having satisfied prior course work. Course work earned at other institutions must be unofficially evaluated or approved by a program advisor before registering. Courses in this certificate with prerequisites are marked with an asterisk (*). See catalog for more information.

Certificate of Accountancy Prerequisites: ACCT& 201, ACCT& 202, ACCT& 203, and ACCT 255

Note 1: Advanced placement testing, work experience, and transfer of credits may result in course waivers, credit transfer, and advanced placement.

Note 2: If pursuing a 4-yr accounting degree, it may be helpful to complete the AAS-T degree to transfer to the 4 year degree. For these students, we strongly recommend choosing **ACCT& 201 and ACCT& 202** rather than ACCT 110 and 120

Program Requirements		
Course Number	Certificate Requirements (40 credits)	Credit Hours
ACCT 251*	Intermediate Accounting I (see Note 1)	5
ACCT 252*	Intermediate Accounting II (see Note 2)	5
ACCT 256*	Taxation of Corporations, Partnerships, Estates and Trusts (see Note 3)	5
ACCT 261*	Accounting Information Systems (see Note 4)	5
ACCT 265*	Accounting for Not-For Profit & Governmental Entities (see Note 5)	5
ACCT 270*	Cost Accounting (see Note 6)	5
ACCT 271*	Ethics in Accounting (see Note 7)	5
ACCT 275*	Auditing (see Note 8)	5
Total Credits: (excluding pre-requisites)		40

Notes:

1. Must have ACCT&202 or instructor permission.
2. Must have ACCT&202 or ACCT 251 or instructor permission.
3. Must have ACCT&202 and ACCT 255 or instructor permission.
4. Must have ACCT 110 or ACCT&201
5. Must have ACCT&201 and ACCT&202 or permission.
6. Must have ACCT&203 or permission.
7. Must have ACCT 202.
8. Must have ACCT 252 or permission.

Program Outcomes:

- Upon certificate completion student will meet the Washington State CPA Board's accounting

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educational requirements.

- Students will demonstrate an ability to organize their workload to meet academic deadlines and thereby develop professional skills.
- Students will be able to identify and appraise situations in professional accounting where the applications of ethical judgments are required.
- Students will be able to apply FASB & GAAS pronouncements to resolve professional accounting issues.

What Skills do I need to be successful in this field?

- <http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/13-2011.01>

What are some potential job titles?

- Accountant
- CPA (Certified Public Accountant)
- Financial Reporting Accountant

Wages, employment trends and pathways

- <http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/13-2011.01#WagesEmployment>

Course Sequence: This program of study is outlined by quarter, and courses should be taken in the indicated sequence. However, it should not be concluded that students will always proceed through their program of study exactly as prescribed here. The number of quarters listed here is minimal. Not all courses are offered every quarter. Individual student experiences, educational and training background, and personal schedules and demands all may affect the time it takes to finish this program. Also, in general, summer quarter is not considered one of the full-time quarters in the program.

1st Quarter	ACCT 251	ACCT 256
2nd Quarter	ACCT 252	ACCT 270
3rd Quarter	ACCT 261	ACCT 275
4th Quarter	ACCT 265	ACCT 271

Always contact advising office first for questions and/or planning:

NSC Advising Office: (206) 934-3658 <https://northseattle.edu/advising>

Program Website: <https://northseattle.edu/certificates/certificate-accountancy-0>

Accounting Department

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CIP: 52.0301 (Accountant)

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CIP: 52.0302 (Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping)

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