

CORPORATE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING MAJOR (B.S.)

The Corporate Finance and Accounting major provides students with strong backgrounds for careers in both finance and accounting. Students are exposed to a number of accounting and finance concepts, such as cost and profitability analysis, strategic planning, process improvement, and business performance management. Corporate Finance and Accounting is an 11-course major jointly offered and delivered by the Accounting and Finance departments. The combination of courses in accounting and finance helps students develop the key skills required of finance professionals, including accounting, finance, business analysis, communication, team work, and business process skills.

For further information about degree requirement policies and guidelines, see the Degree Requirements (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/) page.

Major Requirements

Major Courses (33 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
EC 112	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
AC 201	Preparing and Interpreting Financial Statements	3
AC 215	Performance Measurement	3
AC 310	Cost Management	3
AC 311	Financial Accounting and Reporting I	3
FI 305	Principles of Accounting and Finance	3
FI 306	Financial Markets and Investment	3
FI 307	Advanced Managerial Finance	3
FI 347	Financial Modeling	3
FI 351	International Finance	3
AC 455	Strategic Performance Management	3
Total Credits		33

The Business Environment (6 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
CS 305	Business Processes and Systems	3
MG 300	Strategic Management	3
Total Credits		6

General Degree Requirements

Foundations for Success (15 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
FDS 100	Falcon Discovery Seminar	3
Communications and Writing		
Select one from:		
EMS 101	Critical Reading and Writing	3
or EMS 101L	Critical Reading and Writing with Lab	
or EMS 102	Critical Reading and Writing for ESOL	
or EMS 102L	Critical Reading and Writing for ESOL with Lab	

And one from:

EMS 104	Multimodal Communication	3
or EMS 105	Multimodal Communication for ESOL	

Information Technology

CS 100	Solving Business Problems with Information Technology	3
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Mathematical Sciences

Select one from:

MA 105	Mathematical Foundations for Business	3
or MA 105L	Mathematical Foundations for Business with Lab	
or MA 107	Applied Calculus for Business	
or MA 107L	Applied Calculus for Business with Lab	
or MA 131	Calculus I	
or MA 131L	Calculus I with Lab	

Total Credits		15
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Context and Perspectives (18 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
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Students must take six courses, one in each category of Context and Perspectives:

	Culture, Change, and Behavior (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/context-and-perspectives/#culturechangeandbehavior)	
	Globalization (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/context-and-perspectives/#globalization)	
	Institutions and Power (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/context-and-perspectives/#institutionsandpower)	
	Race, Gender, and Inequality (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/context-and-perspectives/#racegenderandinequality)	
	Scientific Inquiry (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/context-and-perspectives/#scientificinquiry)	
	Values, Ethics, and Society (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/context-and-perspectives/#valuesethicsandsociety)	
Total Credits		18

Business Dynamics/Business Administration Minor (18 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
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All courses are required:

AC 115	Introduction to Financial Reporting and Analysis	3
EC 111	Principles of Microeconomics	3
FI 118	Introduction to Finance	3
LA 100	Business Law	3
MG 116	Human Dynamics in Organizations	3
ST 113	Business Statistics	3

Total Credits		18
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Communication Intensive

All students are required to take a three-credit course designated as a Communication Intensive. This requirement can be met within a variety of course subjects in both Arts & Sciences and Business. Communication Intensive courses are designated with a "CI" in the course

schedule. *Transfer students with a minimum of 30 credits will be waived from the Communication Intensive requirement.*

Please note that certain majors have an additional three-credit Communication Intensive built into their major requirements, separate from the general CI requirement.

Additional Requirements

Arts and Sciences Electives (15 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
Select five Arts & Sciences elective courses		15
Total Credits		15

Unrestricted Electives (15 Credits)

Course	Title	Credits
Select five elective courses		15
Total Credits		15

Total: 120 Credits

A NOTE ON CPA (CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT) REQUIREMENTS

While the CPA requirements in Massachusetts are likely representative of many licensing jurisdictions, students planning to take the CPA exam need to be aware of the specific educational requirements of the jurisdiction in which they intend to sit for the exam. Visit the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy website (<http://www.nasba.org/>) for the specific requirements in every state in the U.S. The state of Massachusetts requires 120 hours (21 in specific areas of accounting) of education and a conferred bachelor's degree in order to take the CPA exam. Careful planning in the selection of electives is necessary in order for corporate finance and accounting majors to satisfy the requirements to sit for the CPA exam. AC 350 Federal Taxation and AC 470 Financial Statement Auditing (or AC 472 Internal Auditing) are required to be eligible to sit for the exam. (Note: AC 340 Accounting Information Systems is a pre-requisite for AC 470 Financial Statement Auditing and AC 472 Internal Auditing.)

The requirements for the undergraduate degree in corporate finance and accounting do not satisfy all requirements for CPA licensure. Among other requirements, an individual must complete a total of 150 hours (30 in accounting) of education, in addition to passing the exam, to become a licensed CPA. *Students interested in CPA preparation should consult their Accounting advisor.*