



Business & Hospitality

# Accounting

2  
Years

TO DEGREE

31  
Units

TO CERTIFICATE

8%

JOB GROWTH

Accountant

78%

BOOKKEEPERS EMPLOYED WITH

Associate Degrees

## Program Overview

MPC's Accounting and bookkeeping programs involve the recording and processing of business transactions into reports that support decision making in businesses. The core accounting/bookkeeping certificate focuses on recording and processing transactions. The accounting certificate adds more depth, more forward decision making tools, and more contextual skills that support an individual's ability to contribute to the decision making processes within a business. The associate's degree adds MPC's general education to build an even more holistic ability to contribute.

## Job Outlook

Whether in good times or bad, businesses in every sector need to keep track of income and expenses – and if they grow, merge, globalize, go public, or go digital, the financial complexities increase, requiring more fiscal oversight and reporting. Graduates can pursue roles in trade and brokerage firms and banks that rely on financial expertise or apply their skills in the public sector as bookkeepers or accountants for organizations or government agencies.

## CAREERS

### Payroll Clerks

\$35,030 - \$75,170

### Brokerage & Trading Assistants

\$38,980 - \$78,890

### Senior Bookkeepers

\$39,181 - \$62,807

### \*Accountants

\$46,940 - \$127,290

### \*Budget Analysts

\$55,240 - \$133,370

\*Requires additional training  
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics  
(CA data) and Salary.com



CSU Monterey Bay offers a BS in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting and prepares graduates for certification as a CPA, a highly-respected qualification.



# Business Accounting

Suggested Course Sequence

Associate in  
Science Degree  
MPC GE Pattern

YEAR

1

Total Units:  
30-31

FALL		SPRING	
	Units		Units
ENGL 1A	3	BUSI 120B	4
MPC Elective	2	BUSC 140 & 150 & 160, or CSIS 50 & 50L	3
ENGL 101A rec.			
LIBR 50	1	BUSI 110	3
BUSI 120A	4	CSIS 1	3
BUSC 109 or Proficiency Test	0-1	Area C	3
BUSI 20, 30, or 44	3		
MPC Elective	1		
PERS 10 rec.			
<b>Total Fall Units</b>	<b>14-15</b>	<b>Total Spring Units</b>	<b>16</b>

YEAR

2

Total Units:  
28-31

FALL		SPRING	
	Units		Units
Area A2	4-5	BUSI 1B	4
MATH 16 rec.		Area B & Lab	4
BUSI 1A	4	Area F	3
BUSI 24	3	BUSI 38 rec.	
ECON 1	3	MPC Elective	3
		ENGL 2 rec.	
		MPC Elective	0-2
<b>Total Fall Units</b>	<b>14-15</b>	<b>Total Spring Units</b>	<b>14-16</b>

This is a suggested sequence of coursework and is one pathway for students to earn their degree/certificate. This is not an official educational plan. A counselor is able to assist you with creating a personalized education plan based on your academic, career, and personal goals. For more information about counseling and up-to-date program requirements, please visit [www.mpc.edu/counseling](http://www.mpc.edu/counseling).



*The general business foundation I received at MPC prepared me very well for when I started my upper division business courses at Cal Poly. Aside from the technical accounting skills I was taught at MPC, I was really introduced to other aspects of the business realm and how Accounting played a key role. This sparked a curiosity that still lives with me today.*

**Juan Pimental**  
MPC Graduate

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### Campus Locations

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