



Pathway:

Plan of Study: Accountant

Career Goal (O*Net Code): Examples: Accountant (13-2011), Accounting Clerk (43-3031), Financial Controller (11-3031), Cost Accountant (43-3031), Bookkeeper (43-3021)

Suggested High School Courses

High School <small>* Default includes CDHE Higher Education Admission Requirements</small>	9th	Core Academic Courses*:	English I, Algebra I, Earth or Environmental Science, Geography, Spanish I	Suggested Electives: Shop, Creative Writing
		Career Path Courses:	Computer Business Applications	
	10th	Core Academic Courses*:	English II, Algebra II, Biology, US History, Spanish II, Reading	Suggested Electives: Speech, Journalism, Creative Writing
		Career Path Courses:	Intro to Business, Web Design	
	11th	Core Academic Courses*:	English III, Geometry/ or other, Physics/or related, U.S. History	Suggested Electives: Journalism, Creative Writing
		Career Path Courses:	Accounting I, Intro to Business II	
	12th	Core Academic Courses*:	English IV, U.S. Government	Suggested Electives: College Algebra, Journalism, Creative Writing
		Career Path Courses:	Accounting II, Business Management	

Secondary to Postsecondary Linkages & Certifications

Recognition for Advanced Learning	Postsecondary Credit Options: Accounting 1 partnering with Lamar Community College
	Industry Recognized Certificate(s) or License(s): IC3 Computer Certification

Postsecondary Programs Available in Colorado

Colorado Institutions

Entrance Exams/ Requirements

	Postsecondary Programs Available in Colorado	Colorado Institutions	Entrance Exams/ Requirements
Certificate	Accounting, Banking & Financial Services, Business Administration - Finance, Financial Services, Business Data Processing	AVS: Emily Griffith, San Juan Basin Community Colleges/Colleges: Aims CC, Lamar Community College, Colorado Mountain College, Colorado Northwestern CC, CC of Aurora, CC of Denver, Front Range CC, Pikes Peak CC, Red Rocks CC, Otero Junior College, Arapahoe CC	High School diploma/GED Accuplacer
Associate Degree	Accounting, Mathematics, Business Administration - Finance, Financial Services	Aims CC, Arapahoe CC, Colorado Mountain College, Colorado Northwestern CC, CC of Aurora, CC of Denver, Front Range CC, Pikes Peak CC, Pueblo CC, Red Rocks Community College, Mesa State College	High School diploma/GED Accuplacer
Bachelor Degree	Accounting, Mathematics	Fort Lewis College, Mesa State College, Metropolitan State College of Denver, Western State College More options: collegeincolorado.org	See each school's Admissions website.
Graduate Degree	Accounting, MS; Accounting, Information Systems; Audit, Control, MS; Accounting, MBA ; Business Administration, MBA & PhD	University of Colorado-Denver, University of Colorado-Boulder, Colorado State University - Pueblo More options: collegeincolorado.org	See each school's Admissions website.

Cluster Overview: The **Finance Career Cluster** prepares students for careers in planning, services for financial and investment planning, banking, insurance, and business financial management.

Extended Learning Experiences

<p>Curricular Experiences:</p> <p>Examples: DECA Future Business Leaders of America Delta Epsilon Chi Phi Beta Lambda SIFE BPA</p>	<p>Extracurricular Experiences:</p> <p>Examples: Language Tutor Math Tutor School Class Officer School Newspaper Yearbook</p>
<p>Work-Based Learning Experiences:</p> <p>Career Preparation – Paid and Unpaid, Job Shadowing, Internships</p>	<p>Program Accreditation and/or Professional Association(s):</p> <p>Examples: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants American Society of Certified Public Accountants Council of Petroleum Accountants Societies International DECA National Association of Credit Management National Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda</p>
<p>Service Learning Experiences:</p> <p>Examples: Boy Scouts of America, Community Service Volunteer, Girl Scouts of the USA</p>	

Career Options:		Salary Range:
Certificate	Bookkeeper, Tax Preparer	\$ - \$\$
Associate Degree	Accounting Clerk, Tax Technician	\$\$
Bachelor Degree	Accountant, Financial Controller, Cost Accountant, Tax Accountant Auditor	\$\$ - \$\$\$
Graduate Degree	Treasurer, Controller, Chief Revenue Agent, International Tax, Assessor, Forensic Auditor	\$\$\$ - \$\$\$\$

* \$ = \$15-25,000; \$\$ = \$25-55,000; \$\$\$ = \$55-90,000; \$\$\$\$ = Above \$90,000

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