

DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting is to introduce students to a coherent and systematic approach to the concepts, principles, theories and problem-solving techniques within the field of accounting. Students will be equipped with essential theoretical knowledge, as well as practical application skills of financial accounting, auditing, management accounting and taxation within in the context of the accounting professions of South Africa and beyond. Furthermore, the qualification will enable students to demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the role of the financial accountant in the private and public sector.

In the first year students are first familiarised with more foundational business and legal concepts, for example business management, business mathematics and statistics, economics, as well as foundational IT skills. In addition to this, foundational as well as financial accounting principles are covered. In the second year, global citizenship and ethics as an important subject matter for accounting as a discipline is introduced to the students. This is then followed by taking the concepts of financial accounting further, and introducing management accounting principles. Moreover, students will cover an introduction to financial management. Lastly, taxation and auditing are introduced in the second year. In year 3, all these concepts are covered with a more advanced lens, Accounting, Auditing and Tax. Students are also offered selected additional electives, for example corporate law or technology and innovation management, to name just two.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Senior Certificate (SC) with degree endorsement and a minimum symbol of E in Mathematics HG, or D in Mathematics SG; **OR**
- a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a minimum of 50% in four 20-credit subjects, and a minimum of 40% in English Home Language or First Additional Language, and a minimum of 40% in Mathematics or 60% in Mathematical Literacy; **OR**
- a National Senior Certificate – Vocational Level 4 (NC(V)) with a minimum of 60% in three fundamental subjects including English and Mathematics; and a minimum 70% in four vocational subjects; **OR**
- a Higher Certificate (NQF 5), Advanced Certificate (NQF 6) or Diploma (NQF 6) in the field of: Commerce or Accounting; **OR**
- a National N Diploma in the field of Accounting or Financial Management. Students admitted via this option will be registered for the mathematics academic support module in their first semester.

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements for Mathematics but who have degree endorsement, will be conditionally admitted and registered for the mathematics academic support module in their first semester.



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OTHER ACCESS PATHWAYS



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MATURE AGE EXEMPTION

MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- Wi-Fi: Reliable broadband Internet access (Wi-Fi is available on all of our campuses, but you may prefer access from home as well).
- Web browser: Edge/Chrome/Safari/Opera/FireFox.
- Computer/Laptop: A current Windows or Apple Mac computer/laptop capable of running the Office 365 software. Office 365 includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.
- PDF Viewer: The free Adobe Acrobat software.
- Scanning documents: Ability to scan and upload documents (typically from your cellphone or smartphone).
- Email/cellphone for notification and communication.
- Communication: A cellphone or smartphone for receiving notifications and communication.

LIBRARY ACCESS

The majority of reading and research resources are provided online in the form of Ebsco, Proquest, Scholartext and OERs. All contact campus libraries also store limited reserve copies of prescribed and recommended texts for all modules and programmes.

Students will also receive access to WGSN (a world-wide trend website) for the duration of their studies. Resources provided are relevant to the subject discipline fields. In some cases, resources are also provided in additional disciplines and fields as we believe that students are encouraged to read beyond required sources.

CURRICULUM OUTLINE

	1st YEAR	2nd YEAR	3rd YEAR
Compulsory (All)	Accounting 1 ACC152 (20 credits)	Auditing 1 AUD262 (20 credits)	Financial Accounting 3A FAA372 (20 credits)
	Business Law and Compliance LAW162 (20 credits)	Financial Accounting 2 FAC262 (20 credits)	Financial Accounting 3B FAB372 (20 credits)
	Business Mathematics BMA152 (10 credits)	Financial Management for Accountants FMG262 (20 credits)	Management Accounting 2A MAA372 (20 credits)
	Data and Decision-Making DDM162 (10 credits)	Global Citizenship GCI262 (20 credits)	Management Accounting 2B MAB372 (20 credits)
	Economics 1 ECO162 (20 credits)	Management Accounting 1A MAA262 (10 credits)	Taxation 2 TAX372 (20 credits)
	Financial Accounting 1 FAC162 (20 credits)	Management Accounting 1B MAB262 (20 credits)	Auditing 2 AUD372 (20 credits) OR Corporate Law CLA372 (20 credits) OR Financial Markets FMA372 (20 credits) OR Future Thinking and Scenario Planning FSP372 (20 credits) OR Technology and Innovation Management TIM372 (20 credits)
	Induction to Business Studies IBS152 (10 credits)	Taxation 1 TAX262 (20 credits)	
	Introduction to Business Management MAN152 (20 credits)		
	Statistics STA162 (10 credits)		
CREDITS PER YEAR	140	130	120

RULES OF PROGRESSION

First year students will not be allowed to progress to second-year if they have more than two modules outstanding from the first year. Second-year students will not be allowed to progress to third-year if they have any first-year modules outstanding. Pre-requisite and co-requisite modules are indicated in the section on the curriculum outline.

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MODULE PRE-REQUISITES

As indicated above, the following modules have pre-requisite modules:

- Business Mathematics for Statistics
- Business Mathematics for Economics 1
- Management Accounting 1A for Management Accounting 1B
- Financial Accounting 1 for Financial Accounting 2
- Financial Accounting 1 for Financial Management for Accountants
- Financial Accounting 1 for Taxation 1
- Business Law and Compliance for Auditing 1
- Financial Accounting 2 for Financial Accounting 3A
- Financial Accounting 2 and 3A for Financial Accounting 3B
- Management Accounting 1A and B for Management Accounting 2A
- Management Accounting 1A and B and 2A for Management Accounting 2B
- Taxation 1 for Taxation 2
- Auditing 1 for Auditing 2

MODULE CO-REQUISITES

As indicated above, the following modules are co-requisite modules:

- Data and Decision Making with Statistics

ARTICULATION POSSIBILITIES

In terms of the HEQSF, vertical articulation from the Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting degree is possible to either a Bachelor Honours degree (NQF 8), or a Postgraduate Diploma (NQF 8) in a field related to accounting or commerce.

Articulation options are extensive - examples of appropriate vertical articulation options for the BCom in Accounting are:

- Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration – Milpark Education, SAQA 76924
- Postgraduate Diploma in Investment Management – Milpark Education, SAQA 94678
- Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting (with bridging course) – Milpark Education, SAQA 108930

Horizontal articulation options include other bachelor's degrees, such as STADIO's Bachelor of Business Administration (117863) or STADIO's specialist Bachelor of Commerce (119071) degrees, or STADIO's Advanced Diploma in Management (117865).

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

ACCOUNTING SPECIALIST	JUNIOR AUDITOR
SENIOR BOOKKEEPER	TAX ADVISOR
COMPANY SECRETARY	