

# Why Study Accountancy at Providence College?

Our nationally recognized accountancy program teaches more than just "the math." Our program provides a strong foundation in accountancy knowledge, skills, and tools. It also focuses on providing students the ability to think broadly about accounting and its relationship to society, extending that knowledge to better anticipate and understand the implications of their decisions.



### A Nationally Ranked, Accredited School of Business

The Providence College School of Business, home to the Department of Accountancy, joined the ranks of just 30% of U.S. business schools when it earned accreditation from AACSB International in 2012. It's also listed by *Poets and Quants* as being among the top undergraduate business schools in the nation.

Many courses are taught in the state-of-the-art, award-winning Arthur F. and Patricia Ryan Center for Business Studies, which opened in spring 2017. The Ryan Center includes specialized business computer labs as well as collaboration, conference, and breakout rooms and a professional development suite. This unique education and learning environment — based on the power of "we" rather than the power of "me" — makes our graduates indispensable to employers and personally fulfilled.



# **Business Experience Beyond the Classroom**

94% of PCSB graduates participated in at least one internship.

Real-world-connected learning and interaction with business leaders is an integral part of a PCSB education. The accountancy department offers students cross-disciplinary and experiential learning opportunities, including:

- internships at esteemed organizations such as Deloitte, EY, KPMG, PwC, and many other national and regional companies
- 12 co-curricular clubs and organizations for students in the business disciplines, including the PC Accounting Association and the National Association of Black Accountants
- the ability to participate in case competitions, including the PC Business Ethics Case Competition, the PCSB's Michael Smith Business Case Competition, the PwC Challenge Case Competition, and other competitions across the country.



### **Distinguished Faculty**

Our approximately 20 full- and parttime accountancy faculty members are experts in their field and have won numerous awards for their research and teaching. They are CPAs and Ph.D.s with professional experience and thought leadership in the areas of auditing, financial accounting, management accounting, accounting information systems, tax, and professional ethics. They hold advanced degrees from prestigious universities such as the University of Connecticut, University of Massachusetts, University of Pittsburgh, Syracuse University, University of Alabama, and University of Mississippi. Their work appears in a variety of academic publications, including The Accounting Review, Contemporary Accounting Research, Accounting *Organizations and Society, Auditing:* A Journal of Practice and Theory, Accounting and the Public Interest, and Issues in Accounting Education, as well as practitioner journals, including The CPA Journal, Strategic Finance, Tax Advisor, and many others.







# **Our Accountancy Degree Programs**

### **Bachelor of Science in Accountancy**

With PC's bachelor of science in accountancy, students adapt the knowledge and skills developed through the study of accounting to new situations encountered in a dynamic business environment. The curriculum includes case analyses, data analysis labs and assignments, team projects, oral presentations, internships, and research projects. All of the major topics on the CPA exam are covered, and many students take and pass the exam after graduation. We also offer many co-curricular and experiential activities to enhance the educational experience of our students.

### **Accountancy Minor or Elective**

Students who take the eight required courses to minor in accountancy will augment other majors with knowledge and skills that are transferable to a wide variety of careers. Students in other majors also may take an accountancy course numbered 300 or higher as an elective.

### Beyond the Bachelor's Degree: One-Year Accounting Cohort MBA

For those students who wish to continue their education beyond a bachelor's degree, the PCSB offers an accounting-specific accelerated MBA Program. The one-year MBA Accounting Cohort Program is designed for students with a background in accounting to complete an MBA degree in 13-14 months full time, summer to summer. The program prepares students for the CPA exam and is focused on providing skills for accounting majors to be successful in future positions in management. Students in this program take courses together, in a cohort model, and courses address the specific skills needed for accountants to be successful in the business community.

# SELECTED COURSES

Data Applications in Business

Financial Accounting

Managerial Accounting

Accounting Information
Systems

Taxes and Business Decisions

Intermediate Accounting

Statistical Analysis for Business Decisions

Cost Accounting

Advanced Accounting

Auditing



# Life After PC 2016-2020 accountancy graduates are employed and/or attending graduate school 47% are employed only 21% are attending school only are employed and attending school

# Selected Places of Employment/Service

Amica Mutual Insurance • Bank of America • BNY Mellon
Citizens Bank • CVS Health • Deloitte • Dunkin' Brands
Edelstein and Co. • EY • Fidelity Investments
Gray, Gray & Gray • JP Morgan Chase • KLR • KPMG
Liberty Mutual • Merrill Lynch • Piccerelli, Gilstein & Co., LLP
PwC • RSM • State Street • TJX • Wolf & Co., P.C.

## Select Graduate Schools

Babson College • Bentley University • Boston College
Boston University • Harvard University • Northeastern University
Providence College • Sacred Heart University
Seton Hall University • Syracuse University
University of Hartford • UMass Boston
University of New Hampshire • University of Notre Dame
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