




# WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN ACCOUNTANCY?



I CAN GO INTO...	AND POSSIBLY WORK FOR...	DOING THIS CAN HELP ME GET THERE...
CAREER AREAS	POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS	JOB SEARCH STRATEGIES
<b>PUBLIC ACCOUNTING</b> Auditing/Assurance Services Tax Environmental Accounting Forensic/Investigative Accounting Information Technology Services International Accounting Personal Financial Planning	<b>Public accounting firms:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large, multinational</li> <li>• Regional</li> <li>• Local</li> <li>• Sole practitioners</li> </ul> 	Public accounting firms hire candidates who meet the educational requirements to sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam: 225 quarter hours (150 semester hours) including 45 quarter hours of accounting. You meet the accounting requirement by completing the requirements for your degree, but you only need 192 quarter hours to graduate so you need to plan ahead to get additional hours – e.g. double major, minor, graduate program, courses at a community college or the CPA Review (cpareview.depaul.edu).  State laws govern the practice of accountancy and specify the requirements to be eligible to sit for the CPA exam. In most states, the State Board of Accountancy has a website that outlines those requirements. Illinois Board of Examiners: <a href="http://www.ilboa.org/">http://www.ilboa.org/</a> .
<b>CORPORATE ACCOUNTING</b> Financial Management Financial Reporting Internal Auditing Cost Accounting Tax Planning Budget Analysis	Companies of all sizes, in all industries	Many managers in corporate settings obtain an MBA or specialized master's degree after several years of work experience. 
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> Auditing Financial Reporting Financial Management Budget Analysis Research	<b>Federal agencies and departments including:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal Bureau of Investigation</li> <li>• Internal Revenue Service</li> <li>• Department of the Treasury</li> <li>• General Accounting Office</li> <li>• Office of Management and Budget</li> <li>• Securities Exchange Commission</li> <li>• State and local agencies</li> </ul>	Become familiar with the government application process – it is lengthy and detail-oriented. When a position is posted, apply right away as application deadlines can pass quickly: <a href="http://www.usajobs.gov">www.usajobs.gov</a> .
<b>NON-PROFIT</b> Accounting Internal Audit Financial Planning Budgeting Money Handling Record Keeping	Social service agencies and organizations Hospitals Public school systems Universities and colleges Religious organizations Libraries and museums Political parties Labor unions	Volunteer at non-profit organizations and build a network of contacts in the non-profit sector. Connect with an ASK mentor to start building your network, as well as family, friends, and faculty. 

## Actual Internship and Job Titles from DePaul Accounting Majors:

- Accountant
- Accountant and Non-Profit Entity Consultant
- Accountant Associate, Special Projects
- Accountant/ Income Tax Preparer
- Accounting and Finance Associate Intern
- Accounting Assistant
- Accounting Clerk
- Accounting Intern
- Accounting Real Estate Owned (REO) Foreclosure Intern
- AERS Intern
- AP/Corporate Accounting Intern
- Assistant to Controller
- Audit Associate
- Audit Intern
- Audit/Assurance Intern (Real Estate)
- Bookkeeper
- Commercial Auditing Assistant
- Equity Research Associate Intern
- Federal Tax Intern
- Financial Accountant
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Services Assurance Intern
- Fund Accounting Intern
- Intern - Associates Analyst
- Internal Auditor
- Investment Analyst
- Lease Consulting Intern
- Non-Profit Division Internship
- Office Manager
- Payment Specialist
- Payroll Coordinator
- Professional Regulation Banking Audit Intern
- Regulatory Intern
- Tax Intern
- Tax Preparer
- Treasury Assistant
- Treasury Intern

