

ACCOUNTING CERTIFICATE

The Accounting Certificate is designed to prepare students for entry-level positions in accounting in public and private sector areas in industry such as small business, public accounting, financial service, wholesale trades, government and nonprofit. The student will have an understanding of fundamental accounting and business concepts and gain valuable skills needed in the evolving and competitive job market. Entry-level opportunities include but not limited to positions in accounts receivable/payable, general bookkeeping and accounting, payroll, income tax preparation, cost accounting, and a number of trainee/internship positions. This certificate also provides a path to higher level education. The Accounting Certificate requires the completion of 24-27 units of which 18 are in required courses. Additional 6-9 units must be chosen from a list of selective courses. The certificate will take at least one to two years to complete.

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Program Map

Design Your Future!

Begin by exploring MSJC program maps to find career or transfer opportunities. Program maps show the recommended course sequence that leads to graduation or transfer. The maps were developed by program experts to give you the skills and knowledge you need to succeed.

- **Starting in Spring?** Choose Fall Semester 1 courses.
- **Are you a part-time student?** Start Fall Semester 1 courses and follow the course sequence.

Fall Semester 1		Units
ACCT-777	QuickBooks Accounting (formerly ACCT-077)	3
ACCT-124	Financial Accounting - Principles of Accounting I	3
ACCT-626	Computerized Accounting (formerly ACCT-126)	3
BADM-103	Introduction to Business	3
Units		12
Spring Semester 1		
ACCT-125	Managerial Accounting - Principles of Accounting II	3
ACCT-628	Federal Income Tax Accounting (formerly ACCT-128)	3
BADM-201	Legal Environment of Business	3
ECON-201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Units		12
Total Units		24

Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
ACCT-124	Financial Accounting - Principles of Accounting I	3

or ACCT-124H	Honors Financial Accounting - Principles of Accounting I	
ACCT-125	Managerial Accounting - Principles of Accounting II	3
or ACCT-125H	Honors Managerial Accounting - Principles of Accounting II	
ACCT-626	Computerized Accounting (formerly ACCT-126)	3
ACCT-628	Federal Income Tax Accounting (formerly ACCT-128)	3
ACCT-777	QuickBooks Accounting (formerly ACCT-077)	3
BADM-103	Introduction to Business	3
or BADM-103H	Honors Introduction to Business	
Subtotal		18
Elective Courses		
Select 6-9 units of the following:		6-9
BADM-104	Business Communications	
or BADM-104H	Honors Business Communications	
BADM-530	Small Business Entrepreneurship (formerly BADM-150)	
BADM-201	Legal Environment of Business	
ECON-201	Principles of Macroeconomics	
or ECON-201H	Honors Principles of Macroeconomics	
Subtotal		6-9
Total Units		24-27

Career Exploration

Discover information about careers that interest you!

1. Take a **Career Quiz** (<https://msjc.emsicc.com/assessment/>) to learn about yourself and receive career suggestions based on your interests.
2. Search available **in-demand jobs** (<https://msjc.emsicc.com/browse-careers/>) in your career areas of interest and find up-to-date salaries and education requirements.
3. Find the **MSJC Program** (<https://msjc.emsicc.com/browse-programs/>) that connects your interests to a career.

Note: There are no guaranteed positions for students completing these programs. Education and work experience required will vary by employer. The salary and benefits for specific occupations will be dependent on work experience, education, background, and employer.

Gainful Employment Disclosures: Business Administration Accounting

Gainful Employment Disclosures – 2025

Program Name ACCOUNTING

This program is designed to be completed in 12 months.

This program will cost \$1,242 if completed within normal time. There may be additional costs for living expenses. These costs were accurate at the time of posting, but may have changed.

Of the students who completed this program within normal time, the typical graduate leaves with \$ 0 of debt.

The following States do not have licensure requirements for this profession: California

For more information about graduation rates, loan repayment rates, and post-enrollment earnings about this institution and other postsecondary institutions please click here: <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>

NOTE:

Cost per unit \$46

Nonresident Fees- Tuition: \$313

Capital Outlay: \$58

Parking Permits cost \$90 a year or \$45 a semester

RTA Go Pass cost \$16 a year or \$8 a semester

SGA discount sticker (optional) - \$14 a year or \$7 a semester

Student representation fee (optional) - \$4 a year or \$2 a semester

Help a Student Fund (optional) - \$4 a year or \$2 a semester

Student Health Center Fee - \$54 a year or \$27 a semester

*For summer session fees and non-CA resident tuition, please see:

<https://www.msjc.edu/enroll/what-fees-do-i-have-to-pay.html>