

# Accounting



Benedictine University  
Daniel L. Goodwin  
College of Business

## WHY STUDY ACCOUNTING AT BENEDICTINE?

Accountants understand numbers and use math to identify opportunities to save and invest money. An accounting degree from Benedictine prepares students for a wide variety of financial positions in a number of different industries including controller, certified public accountant, internal auditor and corporate financial analyst. They learn the fundamentals of the economic system and gain a solid understanding of financial and managerial accounting, cost accounting, taxation, auditing and ethics. Benedictine accounting majors have held internships at local and regional accounting firms, tax preparation companies, government agencies, health care companies, logistics businesses, and the FBI. These internship opportunities allow students to work with accounting systems in a variety of applications, providing valuable skills that are highly sought after by employers.

### ENGAGED LEARNING

Goodwin College of Business students have real-world experiences incorporated into their curricula. For example, accounting students can take a service-learning course built around the IRS's volunteer income tax assistance program. As a part of this course, students participate in comprehensive training, successfully complete an online IRS exam and volunteer at an income tax advising site.

### BECOMING A CPA

Our undergraduate accounting major creates a solid foundation for students who are planning to take the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) or Certified Management Accountant (CMA) exams. Our 4+1 programs allow students to acquire the 150 credit hours needed to sit for the CPA exam while simultaneously working toward an advanced degree.

### BENU'S ACCOUNTING CLUB

The Accounting Club at Benedictine provides opportunities for students to meet face-to-face with accounting firms and local companies for networking, presentations and group discussions. The Accounting Club gives members the opportunity to apply their academic knowledge to real-world situations in preparation for their future careers.

### ACCOUNTING ALUMNI

Our alumni work in global, regional, and local accounting firms including KPMG International Ltd., Deloitte US; local and national banking institutions; and consulting and energy service firms. They have continued to study business, accounting and taxation at the graduate level, not only at Benedictine, but also at University of Illinois, DePaul University, and more.

### SAMPLE COURSES:

- ACCT 2120: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
- ACCT 3309: Accounting Information Systems Laboratory
- ACCT 3312: Federal Taxation
- ACCT 4313: Auditing and Assurance Service

### SIMILAR MAJORS:

Finance, Business Analytics

# DANIEL L. GOODWIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

The Daniel L. Goodwin College of Business is a welcoming community comprised of dedicated faculty, staff, students and alumni. We are proud of our strong foundation, which is based in the Benedictine values of maintaining a high level of integrity, discipline and a continuous yearning for advancement. Our faculty are excellent teachers, researchers and practitioners with many years of business and managerial experience. We prepare our students for career success through engaged learning with close faculty and student interaction, applied experiential opportunities and in-demand, competitive programs. The Goodwin College of Business is committed to helping our students achieve academic and professional excellence.



## 4+1 PROGRAMS

Undergraduate students in the Goodwin College of Business have the opportunity to earn a master's degree from BenU with just one year of additional study.



## CAREER FOCUS

Goodwin College of Business students benefit from working with the College's own internship coordinator for help in securing job shadowing experiences, internships and full-time employment.



## B.B.A. DEGREES

Our graduates earn a Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.) degree - a business-focused, undergraduate management degree that is considered a solid foundation for earning an M.B.A.

The Daniel L. Goodwin Hall of Business is the newest and largest academic building on campus. The 125,000-square-foot building was completed in 2015. It features a 6,000-square-foot global hall with a live digital stock ticker; a billboard-sized, multiscreen high-definition media wall; a 40-seat, state-of-the-art financial trading lab; a 600-seat auditorium for presentations and guest speakers along with our Goodwin Hall Coffee Shop, proudly brewing Starbucks.

Prior to graduation, an alumnus visited the Investment Club to discuss an internship opportunity with JPMorgan Chase & Co. Upon successful completion of the internship, I was offered full-time employment at the company, which is an opportunity only made possible through the success of other alumni. My time on the soccer team helped me learn to compete at the collegiate level, which was an invaluable lesson that prepared me for my career. In contrast to high school, both your coaches and your teammates are adults, which is rather similar to the workplace. Athletics taught me when to lead, when to follow and how to play to my strengths. These lessons are ones I use each and every day when interacting with my team at work.



### TYLER ZACHARY, B.B.A.'12, FINANCE

Business Finance Manager at JPMorgan Chase & Co.

## MAJORS WITHIN THE GOODWIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Accounting+  
Business Analytics+  
Business and Economics  
Entrepreneurship+  
Finance+

International Business and Economics+  
Management and Organizational  
Behavior+  
Marketing+

+ Denotes majors that are also available as minors

## GET INVOLVED

College-Related Student  
Clubs and Organizations  
Accounting Club  
American Marketing Association (AMA)  
Investment Club

