



ACCOUNTING

Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Program Code: 10-101-1 Total Credits: 60

Mid-State's Accounting program is ideal for students with strong logic and attention to detail. Graduates are prepared for entry-level positions in exciting business and industry settings as well as public accounting firms. The program provides stimulating cooperative learning activities, some taking you outside the classroom for real-world experience. Class activities include hands-on income tax and payroll projects, computerized simulations, and guest lectures.

Estimated tuition and fees: mstc.edu/programcosts

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

To schedule an appointment with an academic advisor, call 715.422.5300. Academic advisors will travel to other campuses as necessary to accommodate student needs. For more information about advising, visit mstc.edu/advising.

CHECKLIST:

This section will be completed when meeting with your academic advisor.

- ☐ FAFSA (www.fafsa.gov)
- ☐ Financial Aid Form(s)
Form(s): _____
- ☐ Follow-Up Appointment:
Where: _____
When: _____
With: _____
- ☐ Official Transcripts
Mid-State Technical College
Student Services Assistant
1001 Centerpoint Drive
Stevens Point, WI 54481
- ☐ Other: _____



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Adams, WI 53910

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2600 West 5th Street
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1001 Centerpoint Drive
Stevens Point, WI 54481

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- Certifications and Licenses
- High School Credit
- Military Experience
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- Transfer Credit
- Work and Life Experience

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CERTIFICATE

PAYROLL FOUNDATIONS

Certificate • 6 Credits

TAX PREPARATION

Certificate • 6 Credits

For more information and additional opportunities, visit mstc.edu/career-accelerator.

TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT

Technical Diploma • 27 Credits

Start Your Career

- Accounting Technician
- Auditing Clerk
- Bookkeeper

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS)

ACCOUNTING

Associate in Applied Science (AAS) • 60 Credits

Start Your Career

- Accountant
- Accounting Assistant
- Accounts Receivable/Payable Specialist

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

BACHELOR'S DEGREE OPTIONS

Arizona State University, Bellevue University, Colorado State University Global, Concordia University, Franklin University, Grand Canyon University (GCU), Herzing University, Indiana Wesleyan University, Lakeland University, Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), Mount Mary University (MMU), University of Phoenix, UW-Green Bay, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield, UW-Stout, UW-Whitewater, Western Governors University, and Wisconsin Private-Nonprofit Universities/Colleges.

For more information and additional opportunities, visit mstc.edu/transfer.

Employers will expect you, as an Accounting graduate, to be able to:

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SAMPLE FULL-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term		15 credits
10101120	Payroll Accounting ☑	3
10101140	Accounting 1 ☑	3
10102101	Intro to Business ☑	3
10103106	Microsoft Office-Introduction ☑	3
10801195	Written Communication ☑ -or-	
10801136	English Composition 1 ☑	3
Term		15 credits
10101106	Excel for Accounting	3
10101123	Income Tax Accounting ☑	3
10101129	QuickBooks Applications	3
10101142	Accounting 2 ☑	3
10804107	College Mathematics ☑ -or-	
10804189	Introductory Statistics ☑	3
Term		15 credits
10101110	Intermediate Accounting 1	3
10101128	Managerial Finance	3
10101141	Business Taxation	3
10102104	Business Law ☑ -or-	
10102110	Employment Law	3
10809195	Economics ☑	3
Term		15 credits
10101125	Cost and Managerial Accounting	3
10101158	Accounting Capstone -or-	
10101159	Accounting Internship	3
10801196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication ☑ -or-	
10801198	Speech ☑	3
10809122	Intro to American Government ☑ -or-	
10809172	Introduction to Diversity Studies ☑ -or-	
10809196	Intro to Sociology ☑	3
10809188	Developmental Psychology ☑ -or-	
10809198	Intro to Psychology ☑	3
Total credits 60		

☑ This course has options available to receive credit for prior learning (CPL) or work experience. Visit the website at mstc.edu/cpl or contact your advisor for details.

Please Note:

- This curriculum sequence is only for student planning. Actual student schedules will vary depending on course availability.
- This program is offered online and classes are in an 8-week format.
- Program completion time may vary based on student scheduling and course availability. For details, go to mstc.edu/schedule.

SAMPLE PART-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term		6 credits
10101140	Accounting 1 ☑	3
10103106	Microsoft Office-Introduction ☑	3
Term		9 credits
10101129	QuickBooks Applications	3
10101142	Accounting 2 ☑	3
10801195	Written Communication ☑ -or-	
10801136	English Composition 1 ☑	3
Term		9 credits
10101120	Payroll Accounting ☑	3
10102101	Intro to Business ☑	3
10804107	College Mathematics ☑ -or-	
10804189	Introductory Statistics ☑	3
Term		6 credits
10101106	Excel for Accounting	3
10101123	Income Tax Accounting ☑	3
Term		6 credits
10101110	Intermediate Accounting 1	3
10102104	Business Law ☑ -or-	
10102110	Employment Law	3
Term		9 credits
10101125	Cost and Managerial Accounting	3
10801196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication ☑ -or-	
10801198	Speech ☑	3
10809188	Developmental Psychology ☑ -or-	
10809198	Intro to Psychology ☑	3
Term		9 credits
10101124	Business Taxation	3
10101128	Managerial Finance	3
10809195	Economics ☑	3
Term		6 credits
10101158	Accounting Capstone -or-	
10101159	Accounting Internship	3
10809122	Intro to American Government ☑ -or-	
10809172	Introduction to Diversity Studies ☑ -or-	
10809196	Intro to Sociology ☑	3
Total credits 60		

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Accounting 1 ☑

10101140.....3 credits

A beginning course designed especially for majors or those who need a strong foundation in accounting principles. Develops the accounting cycle of journaling, posting, adjusting, closing, and reporting. Also emphasizes service and merchandising sole proprietorships in developing the accounting cycle. Explores issues for accounting for cash, accounts and notes receivable, inventories, and fixed assets.

Accounting 2 ☑

10101142.....3 credits

Studies accounting procedures for partnerships and corporations. Issues involving incorporation are reviewed. Accounting procedures for corporate stock, dividends, retained earnings, bonds, and long-term investments are presented. Analysis of financial statements is introduced and statements of cash flows are prepared.

Prerequisite: Accounting 1 10101140

Accounting Capstone

10101158.....3 credits

This project based course gives students the opportunity to demonstrate technical competency in areas covered in program courses. Financial accounting, management accounting, payroll accounting, and tax accounting are used. The project simulates many of the tasks students are expected to perform as accounting professionals.

Prerequisite: Minimum of 21 credits of 101 program courses.

Accounting Internship

10101159.....3 credits

Opportunity for students to apply accounting or business skills in a real-life business environment. Activities may include working with accounts receivable and accounts payable, bank and account reconciliations, accounts payable preparation, spreadsheet work and development, preparing and analyzing financial reports, tax return preparation, processing payroll, job costing, general ledger accounting, and other business-related duties as requested by the employer.

Prerequisites: Intermediate Accounting 1 10101110, QuickBooks Applications 10101129, Income Tax Accounting 10101123, Payroll Accounting 10101120, and Instructor Consent

Business Law ☑

10102104.....3 credits

Introduces the basic foundation of laws and regulatory systems applicable to the business environment. Students examine the UCC, contract torts, agency law, and business and cybercrime. Students apply business legal theory in conjunction with ethical decision making through practical application.

Business Taxation

10101141.....3 credits

A study of federal income taxation as applicable to C corporations, S corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, estates and trusts. Both taxable entities and flow-through entities will be considered. Specific attention will be given to general concepts, tax return form preparation, and research.

College Mathematics ☑

10804107.....3 credits

Designed to review and develop fundamental concepts of mathematics pertinent to the areas of: 1) arithmetic and algebra; 2) geometry and trigonometry; and 3) probability and statistics. Special emphasis is placed on problem solving, critical thinking and logical reasoning, making connections, and using calculators. Topics include performing arithmetic operations and simplifying algebraic expressions, solving linear equations and inequalities in one variable, solving proportions and incorporating percent applications, manipulating formulas, solving and graphing systems of linear equations and inequalities in two variables, finding areas and volumes of geometric figures, applying similar and congruent triangles, converting measurements within and between US and metric systems, applying Pythagorean Theorem, solving right and oblique triangles, calculating probabilities, organizing data and interpreting charts, calculating central and spread measures, and summarizing and analyzing data.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Arithmetic of 250 and QAS 234 or ACT of 17 or Pre-Algebra 10834109 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Cost and Managerial Accounting

10101125.....3 credits

Accumulates production costs for materials, labor, and overhead for job order or process costing systems. Determines and records variances from standard. Computes various cost-volume-profit relationships for control and decision making.

Prerequisite: Accounting 2 10101142

Developmental Psychology ☑

10809188.....3 credits

Studies human development throughout the lifespan and explores developmental theory and research with an emphasis on the interactive nature of the biological, cognitive, and psychosocial changes that affect the individual from conception to death. Application activities and critical thinking skills enable students to gain an increased knowledge and understanding of themselves and others.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/ 16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Economics ☑

10809195.....3 credits

Provides an overview of how a market-oriented economic system operates and surveys the factors that influence national economic policy. Basic concepts and analyses are illustrated by reference to a variety of contemporary problems and public policy issues. Concepts include scarcity, resources, alternative economic systems, growth, supply and demand, monetary and fiscal policy, inflation, unemployment and global economic issues.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/ 16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Employment Law

10102110.....3 credits

Introduces a broad scope of employment laws and provides the opportunity to apply these laws to the employment arena. Includes laws relating to anti-discrimination, including the Civil Rights Act, ADEA, and ADA; wage and hour regulation, including FLSA; employer-provided pensions, including ERISA; health insurance, including COBRA and ACA; and unemployment and worker's compensation insurance.

English Composition 1

108011363 credits

Designed for learners to develop knowledge and skills in all aspects of the writing process. Planning, organizing, writing, editing, and revising are applied through a variety of activities. Students analyze audience and purpose, use elements of research, and format documents using standard guidelines. Individuals develop critical reading skills through analysis of various written documents.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Writing of 262 or ACT of 20 or College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better or equivalent. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Excel for Accounting

10101106.....3 credits

Microsoft Excel is a vital tool for many accounting tasks. This course covers basic and advanced features within Excel and relates them to various accounting tasks. Using Excel, students will perform accounting tasks and will experience the gathering, analysis, and reporting of accounting data.

Prerequisites: Accounting 1 10101140 and Microsoft Office-Introduction 10103106 or Excel-Beginning 10103123

Income Tax Accounting

101011233 credits

Applies current tax laws in preparing individual tax returns and supporting forms and schedules.

Intermediate Accounting 1

10101110.....3 credits

This course builds upon financial accounting concepts covered in Accounting 1 and Accounting 2. Topics include the conceptual framework as the basis of developing accounting guidance, multi-purpose financial statements, short and long-term assets, time value of money concepts, revenue recognition, and an overview of auditing concepts.

Prerequisite: Accounting 2 10101142

Intro to American Government

10809122.....3 credits

Introduces American political processes and institutions. Focuses on rights and responsibilities of citizens and the process of participatory democracy. Learners examine the complexity of the separation of powers and checks and balances. Explores the role of the media, interest groups, political parties, and public opinion in the political process. Also explores the role of state and national government in our federal system.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Intro to Business

10102101.....3 credits

An introduction to what a business is, how it operates, and how it is managed. Students identify forms of ownership and the processes used in production and marketing, finance, personnel, and management in business operations.

Intro to Psychology

108091983 credits

This science of psychology course is a survey of multiple aspects of behavior and mental processes. It provides an overview of topics such as research methods, theoretical perspectives, learning, cognition, memory, motivation, emotions, personality, abnormal psychology, physiological factors, social influences, and development.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Intro to Sociology

108091963 credits

Introduces students to the basic concepts of sociology: culture, socialization, social stratification, multi-culturalism, and the five institutions of family, politics, economics, religion, and education. Other topics include demography, deviance, technology, environment, social issues, social change, and social organization.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Introduction to Diversity Studies

10809172.....3 credits

Introduces learners to the study of diversity from a local to a global environment using a holistic, interdisciplinary approach. Encourages self-exploration and prepares the learner to work in a diverse environment. In addition to an analysis of majority/minority relations in a multicultural context, the primary topics of race, ethnicity, age, gender, class, sexual orientation, disability, and religion are explored.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Introductory Statistics

108041893 credits

Students taking Introductory Statistics display data with graphs, describe distributions with numbers, perform correlation and regression analyses, and design experiments. They use probability and distributions to make predictions, estimate parameters, and test hypotheses. They draw inferences about relationships including ANOVA. Algebra knowledge and foundational skills in mathematics are important for success in this course.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer QAS 241 or ACT of 19 or Pre-Algebra 10834109 with a grade of "C" or better or College Math 10804107 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

Managerial Finance

101011283 credits

Focuses on the corporate finance function including role of corporate finance professionals, time value of money, cost of capital, valuation, capital structure, and capital budgeting issues. Students will also be introduced to capital budgeting analysis, cost-volume-profit analysis, profit planning, and differential analysis.

Prerequisite: Accounting 1 10101140

Microsoft Office Introduction

101031063 credits

Develops introductory skills in the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, and Outlook) while reinforcing the students' knowledge of computer concepts, Windows Explorer, and web usage. This course prepares students for the Associate level MOS Certification exams for Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook. Students should possess basic keyboarding, mouse, and Windows 10 skills. Students may develop these skills in the LiNK while concurrently enrolled in this course.

Oral/Interpersonal Communication

108011963 credits

Focuses on developing effective listening techniques and verbal and nonverbal communication skills through oral presentation, group activity, and other projects. The study of self, conflict, and cultural contexts will be explored, as well as their impact on communication.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237, or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Payroll Accounting

101011203 credits

Develops a working knowledge of payroll legislation, payroll records, and payroll accounting. Payroll accounting is accomplished through manual methods and automated methods.

Corequisite: Microsoft Office-Introduction 10103106

QuickBooks Applications

101011293 credits

Uses the computer as a tool to reinforce and build on accounting concepts. Students prepare financial statements and managerial reports, produce business documents, and account for service and merchandising business entities.

Speech

108011983 credits

Explores the fundamentals of effective oral presentation to small and large groups. Topic selection, audience analysis, methods of organization, research, structuring evidence and support, delivery techniques, and other essential elements of speaking successfully, including the listening process, form the basis of this course. Bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading of 253, Writing of 262, or ACT of 21 Reading/19 Writing, or completion of College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better or equivalent.

Written Communication

108011953 credits

Develops writing skills which include prewriting, drafting, revising, and editing. A variety of writing assignments are designed to help the learner analyze audience and purpose, research and organize ideas, and format and design documents based on subject matter and content. Also develops critical reading and thinking skills through the analysis of a variety of written documents.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Writing of 262 or ACT of 20 or College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better or equivalent. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements. Proficiency in word processing skills recommended.