ACCOUNTING MAJOR MAP
Bachelor of Science

FRESHMAN
Familiarize yourself with your department by getting to know the professors and students.
Attend Fall cookout at a professor’s home.

SOPHOMORE
Explore career goals with your advisor and consider a double major, adding a minor, or even an early entrance into the MBA program during your senior year.
Begin researching and applying for relevant internships. Build a strong foundation for future accounting classes and learn more about career options in ACC 3033 Accounting Information Systems.

JUNIOR
Consider what internships are available. Continue engaging in the COBACS Core as well as major-specific courses like ACC 3024 Intermediate Accounting I, ACC 3034 Intermediate Accounting II, ACC 3063 Tax Accounting I, and ACC 3073 Tax Accounting II.
Strive to be in the top 20 percent of your class for entrance into Delta Mu Delta Honor Society.

SENIOR
Senior Capstone MGT 4083 Strategic Management, ACC 4013 Advanced Accounting, ACC 4044 Auditing, CPA Review, and the Major Field Test will help bring COBACS academic experiences together and prepare you for your desired career path upon graduation.
Begin studying for the CPA exam.

CAREER POSSIBILITIES
- Financial Accountant
- Managerial Accountant
- Cost Accountant
- Payroll Accountant
- Financial Planner
- Internal Auditor
- Government Accountant
- Forensic Accountant
- Cost Estimator
- Tax Accountant
- Tax Attorney
- Tax Consultant
- Budget Analyst

Pursue SERVANT LEADERSHIP
- Participate in student organizations and professional associations like Accounting Club, Institute of Management Accountants (IMA), Enactus, and Phi Beta Lambda (PBL).
- Take more responsibility in your extra-curricular activities. Engage in your student organization and consider a leadership role within Accounting Club, IMA, Enactus, or PBL.
- Demonstrate servant-leadership by making new members feel welcome and pursuing project leader/officer positions in your organization.
- Tutor other students within COBACS and through SBU’s Run2Win program.
- Consider helping with recruiting events, and spread the word about what clubs/organizations/events you have enjoyed.

Embrace OUR GLOBAL SOCIETY
- Visit SBU’s Center for Global Connections to learn about global service opportunities.
- Compete and travel with Enactus or PBL.
- Are you interested in studying abroad? Ask your advisor or Career Services about study abroad opportunities.
- Compete and travel with Enactus or PBL.
- Consider taking an international trip with the SBU MBA program.
- Assess what opportunities, locally and globally, are available upon graduation.

Plan for YOUR FUTURE
- Discuss your career interests with an advisor and identify your career goals.
- Apply for COBACS scholarships each year.
- Engage in field trips and with speakers.
- Consider participating in the Interview Blitz.
- Attend the COBACS career fair held each semester.
- Pursue internship opportunities by networking at the Interview Blitz and career fairs held on campus.
- Participate in field trips to accounting firms.
- Consider the option of continued education by pursuing an MBA from SBU or a Master’s of Accountancy.
- Participate in interviews with accounting firms. Attend recruiting events at CPA firms for possible internships and/or employment after graduation.
- Plan/apply to participate in a 2- to 3-day summer experience program at a CPA firm.
- Identify and ask individuals if they will write letters of reference/recommendation for you.
- Finalize your résumé and cover letter.
- Consider participating in a tax season internship with a local CPA firm.
- Attend recruiting events and interview for employment.