The Department of Accounting also offers a Master of Science in accounting that is designed to prepare students for the CPA examination.
BACHELOR’S DEGREE IN ACCOUNTING

The Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting is designed to prepare students for entry level accounting positions within industry and government. The department works closely with outside stakeholders to ensure that students are provided with the necessary skill sets and knowledge to succeed, which is evidenced by the continued recruitment of SHSU accounting graduates by numerous, diverse employers.

The Texas State Board of Public Accountancy requires CPA examination applicants to have completed 150 semester hours of college credit, so completion of the BBA alone will not qualify you to take the CPA examination. Pursuing the Master of Science in accounting in addition to the BBA will satisfy the requirement.

REQUIREMENTS

To major in accounting, a student must maintain at least a 2.5 in their SHSU, cumulative, business, and minor grade point average and earn a “C” or better in all accounting courses taken. At least 50 percent of the required business curriculum for the BBA degree must be taken in residence at Sam Houston State University.

Minor: A minor is not required to complete this program. Students are welcome to select a minor following consultation with the Department Chair, but should be aware that a minor will add hours to the length of the degree program.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Once accepted, students may apply for relevant scholarships by completing the Scholarships4Kats online application. Transfer scholarships are available for students who would like to continue their academic career at Sam Houston.

INTERNSHIPS

The department assists students with paid internship opportunities that offer students the chance to work in the public accounting profession while earning academic credit. Eligible students compete for available internship positions during the spring of their junior year. In addition, there are other internship opportunities in industry accounting.

POSSIBLE CAREERS FOR ACCOUNTING MAJORS

- Accountant
- Auditor
- Actuary
- Analyst
- Appraiser