



AAS DEGREE – CODE #0630

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The accounting program is one of our most established and respected within the business discipline. It is a computer-based program in which the latest accounting theory and real-world practice receive equal emphasis as applied to both financial and managerial accounting issues. If you're looking to enter the job market upon graduation or if you're considering an advanced degree, this major is tailor-made for you.

ADVANTAGES

- Required course work covers areas critical to success in today's business workplace: technical accounting knowledge, communication and interpersonal skills, career-related computer literacy.
- High-tech classrooms with computer technology integrated into course content.

DIRECT ENTRY INTO BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Alfred State accounting graduates may enter directly into either the business administration BBA, financial planning BBA, the interdisciplinary studies BTech, or technology management BBA degree program.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Students may transfer directly into one of our own BBA degree programs or to another college. Students are encouraged to make their intentions known to their academic adviser during their freshman year. Through the careful use of elective courses, students can realize excellent transfer credit.

The Business Department has established many formal articulation agreements with local four-year institutions, although graduates may transfer to colleges virtually anywhere. Historically, accounting graduates have done very well after leaving Alfred State, whether they enter the workforce or transfer to an advanced program.

OCCUPATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Banking
- Manufacturing
- Retail
- Government and other not-for-profit entities
- Tax agencies
- Financial services

EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Employment and transfer rate of 100 percent – 25 percent are employed; 75 percent continued their education.

RELATED PROGRAMS

[Agricultural Business](#)
[Business Administration](#)
[Computer Information Systems](#)
[Financial Planning](#)
[Marketing](#)
[Technology Management](#)

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Required: Algebra

Recommended: Geometry and Algebra 2

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

A tier 1 laptop computer is required for students entering the accounting program. Laptop specifications are available at <http://www.alfredstate.edu/required-laptops>.

OFFICE OF ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

Students who believe they need a reasonable accommodation to properly participate in this program may contact Melanie Ryan in the Office of Accessibility Services. This office may be contacted by email at oas@alfredstate.edu or by phone at 607-587-4506. Please keep in mind that some accommodations may take time to implement, so students seeking accommodations are encouraged to contact OAS as early as possible.

ACCOUNTING - AAS DEGREE

TYPICAL FOUR-SEMESTER PROGRAM

| First | | | |
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| ACCT | 1124 | Financial Accounting | 4 |
| COMP | 1503 | Writing Studies | 3 |
| CISY | xxx3 | Info Technology Elective | 3 |
| MKTG | 2073 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |
| MATH | xxx3 | Gen Ed Math Elective | 3 |
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| Second | | | |
| ACCT | 2224 | Managerial Accounting | 4 |
| BUAD | 2033 | Business Communication | 3 |
| BUAD | 4203 | Intro Personal Financial Plan | 3 |
| MATH | xxx3 | Math Elective | 3 |
| GLST | 2113 | Global & Diverse Perspectives | 3 |
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| Third | | | |
| ACCT | 3423 | Intermediate Accounting I | 3 |
| ECON | 1013 | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3 |
| ACCT | 3453 | Tax Accounting I | 3 |
| BUAD | 3043 | Business Law I | 3 |
| BUAD | 3153 | Fundamentals of Management | 3 |
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| Fourth | | | |
| ACCT | 4523 | Intermediate Accounting II | 3 |
| XXXX | xxx3 | Gen Ed Natural Science Elective | 3 |
| BUAD | 4053 | Business Law II | 3 |
| ECON | 2023 | Principles of Microeconomics | 3 |
| ACCT | 4663 | Acctng Sys & Computer Appl | 3 |
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

62 semester hours, including 20 hours in major field with a 2.0 cumulative index in such courses, as well as six credit hours of math.

END-OF-PROGRAM EXAM REQUIREMENTS

All students are required to complete an end-of-program exam. This exam will be taken in the capstone course for the student's specific program in MKTG. The end-of-program exam will also be considered an assignment in the capstone course. The benefit of taking the end-of-program exam is to test the student's knowledge at the time of graduation. Students may include the progress from the end-of-program exams on their resume. Exams will be taken once and they will impact the student's capstone course grade by 5%. Please refer to the syllabi for the relevant capstone course to know the grading scale for the end-of-program exam.

The end-of-program exams are **required**, *not optional*.

Information on how to take the exams will be given in the course prior to the end-of-program exam.

How should I prepare for the assessment exam?

The comprehensive end-of-program exam covers topics taught throughout the degree program, which are aligned to the topics required for accreditation. The preparation for the exam comes from your educational experience with the school, specifically through the required courses for your degree. The exam assesses the foundational knowledge areas for your discipline.