The accounting major does not simply teach one to balance books; it trains students to be economic problem-solvers and analysts, professionals who are able to identify, measure, and make judgments about all types of economic information. These accounting skills lead to rewarding positions in financial and tax planning, business consulting, bookkeeping, auditing, and many other fields in the global marketplace. In addition, with a few additional courses, the Lakeland accounting major qualifies its students to sit for the CPA and CMA examinations.

Students who major in Accounting will be able to:

- understand and use the central principles, theories and rules of accounting as both a field of study and a practical skill;
- appreciate and abide by the ethical and legal rules that govern business relations and specifically govern the accounting profession;
- comprehend the ways in which economic institutions function at various levels and influence the practice of accountancy;
- communicate business and economic information to stakeholders in a clear and professional manner; and
- sit for their chosen professional certifying examinations (CPA, CMA, etc.).

Please note: Accounting candidates who wish to sit for the Uniform Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam must complete a minimum of 150 semester hours of college credit prior to sitting for the exam. The Wisconsin Institute of Certified Public Accountants recommends that "accounting students include courses in critical thinking, communications, psychology, business management, computer skills and ethics as part of their 150 hours." (See www.nasba.org).

The Certified Management Accountant (CMA) exam may be taken by students with Senior standing (Please see www.imanet.org).

REQUIRED COURSEWORK
(57 semester hours)

All courses listed are 3 semester hours.

- ACC 210 Financial Accounting Principles
- ACC 220 Managerial Accounting Principles
- ACC 350 Federal Income Tax I
- ACC 355 Federal Income Tax II
- ACC 395 Intermediate Accounting I
- ACC 396 Intermediate Accounting II
- ACC 420 Cost Accounting
- ACC 465 Accounting Information Systems
- ACC 471 Advanced Accounting I
- ACC 472 Auditing Theory and Practice
- ACC 474 Advanced Accounting II
- BUS 301 Management Information Systems
- BUS 330 Management Principles
- BUS 340 Principles of Business Finance
- BUS 350 Marketing Principles
- BUS 410 Business Law I
- BUS 491 Business Policy and Strategy (Writing Intensive)
- ECN 220 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECN 230 Principles of Microeconomics
DISTRIBUTIONAL STUDIES

Rhetorical Development

- GEN 110 Composition I: Academic Writing
- GEN 112 Composition II: Argumentation and Research

Quantitative Skills

- MAT 130 Intermediate Algebra
- or
- MAT 150 Statistics for Everyday Life

SELECT A MINIMUM OF 3 CREDITS FROM 7 OF THE 8 FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- Art, Music and Theatre (ART, MUS, THE)
- History and Political Science (HIS, POL)
- Literature and Writing (ENG, WRT)
  Excludes WRT 110 and WRT 210
- Mathematics (MAT)
  Excludes MAT 130 and MAT 150
- Natural Sciences (BIO, CHM, PHY and GEN 183)
- Philosophy and Religion (PHI, REL)
- Social Sciences (ANT, CRJ, ECN, SOC, PSY)
  Excludes SOCP 335
- World Languages (CHI, GER, JPS, SPA or other)

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

- GEN 130 General Studies Core I: Knowing the Self (Exempt with at least 30 transfer credits)
- GEN 3XX General Studies Core II: Exploring the Human Condition (Exempt with at least 90 transfer credits)
- GEN 4XX General Studies Core III: Shaping the Future

Upon completion of the requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree through the Lakeland College evening, weekend and online program, degree-earning students will have

- earned at least 120 semester hours of college credit, with a minimum of 30 semester hours having been completed through Lakeland College;
- satisfied the requirements of at least one academic major;
- completed the General Studies requirements; and
- maintained a cumulative 2.0 grade point average in both the major and in all coursework taken through Lakeland College.

The Lakeland College evening, weekend and online program’s liberal arts component enables students to develop the necessary skills and knowledge to communicate clearly, inquire methodically, evaluate rationally and reason validly. These skills are developed through courses in:

- Distributional Studies, which develop knowledge in areas outside the major; and
- Interdisciplinary Studies, which encourage the integration of knowledge and values.