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Accountancy Dual-Credit Pathway

Pathway Description:

The mission of the baccalaureate program in accountancy is to prepare students for accounting and related careers by providing them with the knowledge and skills necessary for professional success.

Students majoring in accounting can expect a comprehensive curriculum offering a blend of sound liberal arts foundation with exceptionally strong accountancy studies — more accountancy courses than what most other schools require. An accounting degree from Thomas More opens the door for students to an active Accounting Advisory Board, consisting primarily of alumni, which provides networking opportunities and input for an up-to-date curriculum. The program allows for exceptional experiential learning opportunities, including internships which many times lead to full-time employment prior to graduation, as well as flexible options for CPA preparation.

Entry-level accounting positions may lead to immediate leadership opportunities within an organization. Some students may also choose to take a minor in accounting because they recognize that having a background within the area will increase their flexibility in career options.

Pathway Courses:

Course	Title
ACC 101	Principals of Financial Accounting
ACC 102	Principals of Managerial Accounting
CIS 111	Intro to Computer Information Systems
ECO 105	Principles of Economics
MAT 205	Introductory Statistics

Pathway Course Descriptions:

- **ACC 101 – Principals of Financial Accounting**
 - Prerequisite: None
 - Description: Introduces students to generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements. Topics examined include basic concepts of business transaction analysis; the accounting cycle; measurement of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses; and financial statement presentation and interpretation.
- **ACC 102 – Principals of Managerial Accounting**
 - Prerequisite: ACC 101
 - Description: Introduces students to financial analysis and fundamental management accounting practices. Topics include ratio analysis; cost classification; and behavior; product costing; budgeting; and decision-making models.



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- **CIS 111 – Introduction to Computer Information Systems**
 - Prerequisite: None
 - Description: Key productivity tools, including word processing, database management systems, spreadsheets, and PowerPoint will be examined in some depth. Collaboration and personal information management application such as Outlook will be explored in the course. Hands-on projects of each application will be required. This course may not be taken if credit has been received for CIS 113.
- **ECO 105 – Principles of Economics**
 - *Note:*
 - *This course can fulfill the Social Science core requirement at Thomas More.*
 - Prerequisite: None
 - Description: Students will understand how economics can provide a framework for solving social problems through market forces and a role for government. The microeconomics portion of this course deals with consumers and businesses as they interact with markets, and the interrelationships between various markets. The macroeconomics portion of this course focuses on the factors that influence the fluctuations in economic activity and what can be done about them, given our responsibility to others.
- **MAT 205 – Introductory Statistics**
 - *Note:*
 - *This course can fulfill the Math core requirement at Thomas More.*
 - Prerequisite: minimum ACT Math score of 18 or minimum Math SAT score of 550 or minimum score of 70% on KYOTE exam
 - Description: An investigation of graphic methods, frequency distributions, percentiles, central tendency, variability, standard scores, normal and binomial distributions, hypothesis testing, and correlation. May not be taken if credit has been received for MAT 208.

Certifications Earned:

- n/a

Additional Notes:

- It is the recommendation of the department that CIS 111 be taken before or at the same time as ACC 101 in this pathway.

Links:

- Program website: <https://www.thomasmore.edu/program/accountancy/>