

# Accounting: Diploma

<b>Faculty of Business</b>	kpu.ca/business
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<b>Start Date(s)</b>	September January May
<b>Admission Type</b>	Open admission
<b>Enrolment Type</b>	Open enrolment
<b>Program Type</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Credential Granted</b>	Diploma
<b>Offered At</b>	Langley Richmond Surrey
<b>Format</b>	Full-time Part-time
<b>How to Apply</b>	www.kpu.ca/admission

## DESCRIPTION

The Accounting Diploma program prepares students for entry-level accounting positions in the work force or to enter the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Accounting in Year 3. The requirement for admission to Year 3 of the BBA in Accounting is a GPA of 2.7 in the Accounting Diploma.

The Diploma program includes courses in financial accounting, management accounting, finance, taxation and auditing. There are also courses in economics, business math, business statistics, simply accounting, information management, English and communications. The Accounting Diploma is carefully aligned with the requirements of the CA, CMA, CGA, and CPA accounting designations.

Some unique features of this program are:

- Applied projects and assignments to ensure graduates acquire the practical skills so valued by employers.
- A large offering of courses in Richmond, Surrey and Langley during the day and evening for Fall, Spring and Summer semester for maximum flexibility in your student schedule.
- The opportunity to join the Accounting Society of KPU (ASK) club, providing regular exposure to CA, CMA, CGA, and CPA representatives.

## STUDENT PROFILE

Students who excel in the accounting profession have numerical aptitude, strong critical thinking skills, and effective written and oral communications skills. To acquire a professional accounting designation, you must obtain a degree. Students in the Accounting Diploma have the options of pursuing entry-level accounting positions or continuing their education with degree studies leading to a professional accounting designation.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There will always be a need for individuals who can provide accurate and timely financial information to managers, investors and creditors. Financial management is not restricted to any specific industry, management level or country. All organizations have financial information processing and reporting needs.

Career opportunities are numerous and diverse. Placements range from public accounting firms to internal bookkeeping and accounting positions in service companies, manufacturing, retail and merchandising management, banking and financial services, government and the not-for-profit sector.

## PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

General university admission requirements apply to this program including the undergraduate-level English Proficiency Requirement.

**Note:** A first year English course is required for graduation. Students wishing to complete the program without having to undertake any preparatory English courses will need English 12 with a B grade, or the equivalent prerequisite, for direct entry into ENGL 1100. Please make an appointment with an Educational Advisor to plan your course selections accordingly.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete a minimum of 60 credits that include:

### All of Group A or all of Group B:

#### Group A

ACCT 1110      Introductory Financial Accounting I      3 credits

ACCT 1210      Introductory Financial Accounting II      3 credits

#### Group B

ACCT 2293      Accelerated Introductory Financial Accounting      3 credits

An elective course (any course numbered 1100 or higher)      3 credits

### All of Group C or all of Group D:

#### Group C

ACCT 3310      Intermediate Financial Accounting I      3 credits

ACCT 3410      Intermediate Accounting II      3 credits

#### Group D

ACCT 3510      Intermediate Financial Accounting      6 credits

### All of Group E or all of Group F:

#### Group E

ACCT 3320      Introductory Management Accounting      3 credits

ACCT 3420      Advanced Management Accounting      3 credits

#### Group F

ACCT 3520      Management Accounting I & II      6 credits

### All of:

ACCT 3335      Taxation      3 credits

ACCT 3380      Managerial Finance      3 credits

ACCT 3444	Auditing	3 credits
CBSY 1105	Introductory Computer Applications	3 credits
CBSY 2205	Management Information Systems	3 credits
CMNS 1140	Introduction to Professional Communication	3 credits
ECON 1150	Principles of Microeconomics	3 credits
ECON 1250	Principles of Macroeconomics	3 credits
	One course in Mathematics*	3 credits
	One course in Statistics*	3 credits
ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3 credits
	Two courses in Business (BUSI) and/or Marketing (MRKT) and/or CBSY 2306	6 credits
	One elective chosen from approved Faculty of Business Liberal Education Electives (3 or more credits)	

**\* Notes:**

- For graduation purposes a maximum of 6 credits can be obtained for any combination of ACCT 1110, ACCT 1210 and ACCT 2293.
- ACCT 1130 or BUQU 1130 Business Mathematics are the core business math courses recommended for the program. Students may earn credits for only ONE of ACCT 1130 or BUQU 1130.
- ACCT 1230 or BUQU 1230 Business Statistics are the core business statistics courses recommended for the program. Students may earn credits for only ONE of ACCT 1230 or BUQU 1230.
- See approved Faculty of Business Liberal Education Electives. The elective may also be an ECON or CMNS course numbered 1100 or higher.
- Credit for ECON 1101 will not be granted if taken after ECON 1150 or ECON 1250.

**RECOMMENDED COURSE PROGRESSION:**

This sequence is the suggested order in which courses can be completed. Students may wish to lessen their course load in any semester and/or take courses in a different sequence. It is possible to do so provided all prerequisite requirements are met.

For assistance with course planning please consult an Educational Advisor.

**Semester I**

ACCT 1110	Introductory Financial Accounting I	3 credits
ACCT 1130	Business Mathematics OR BUQU 1130 - Business Mathematics	3 credits
CBSY 1105	Introductory Computer Applications	3 credits
ECON 1150	Principles of Microeconomics	3 credits
ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3 credits

**Semester II**

ACCT 1210	Introductory Financial Accounting II	3 credits
ACCT 1230	Business Statistics OR BUQU 1230 - Business Statistics	3 credits
CBSY 2205	Computers and Information Processing	3 credits
ECON 1250	Principles of Macroeconomics	3 credits
CMNS 1140	Introduction to Professional Communication	3 credits

**Semester III**

ACCT 3310	Intermediate Financial Accounting I	3 credits
ACCT 3320	Introductory Management Accounting II	3 credits
ACCT 3335	Taxation	3 credits
BUSI 1215	Organizational Behaviour	3 credits
BUSI 2390	Business Law	3 credits

**Semester IV**

ACCT 3410	Intermediate Financial Accounting II	3 credits
ACCT 3420	Advanced Management Accounting	3 credits
ACCT 3380	Managerial Finance	3 credits
ACCT 3444	Auditing	3 credits
	Liberal Education elective	

**FOR GRADUATION PURPOSES ONLY:**

- For graduation purposes a maximum of 6 credits can be obtained for any combination of ACCT 1110, ACCT 1210 and ACCT 2293.
- Credit will NOT be granted for both ACCT 1210 and ACCT 2293.
- Credit will NOT be granted for ACCT 1160.
- A maximum of 6 credits will be granted for any combination taken of ACCT 3320 (3 credits), ACCT 3420 (3 credits) or ACCT 3520 (6 credits).
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**CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Diploma in Accounting**.