# **Accounting: Diploma**

Faculty of Business		
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IMPLEMENTATION DATE	START DATE(S)	
01-Sep-2011	September January May	
ADMISSION TYPE	ENROLMENT TYPE	
Open admission	Open access	
PROGRAM TYPE	CREDENTIAL GRANTED	
Undergraduate	Diploma	
OFFERED AT	FORMAT	
Langley Richmond Surrey	Full-time Part-time	
HOW TO APPLY		
www.kwantlen.ca/admission		

# DESCRIPTION

The Accounting Diploma program prepares students for entrylevel accounting positions and many of its courses can be transferred to professional accounting associations (CA, CGA, or CMA. Please consult the associations' websites for details). Students who complete the diploma with a minimum grade point average of 2.7 will meet the G.P.A. requirement for admission to year 3 of the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Accounting. Completion of the Accounting Diploma (with a minimum grade point average of 2.7 and a minimum grade of C+ in Accounting and Statistics) will also allow third year entry to the Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in Entrepreneurial Leadership, Human Resources Management, and Marketing Management.

During the program students will progress through basic accounting concepts and procedures to more advanced topics such as financial accounting, management accounting, finance, taxation and auditing. There are also courses in related subjects such as economics, computerized business systems, marketing and management. Required English and Mathematics courses ensure that students have the necessary skills in these important areas.

Due to prerequisite and course scheduling considerations, careful course planning is required. Students should consult an Educational Advisor when considering this diploma. The Accounting Diploma program is a two-year program. However, students may complete the program on a part-time basis over a longer period of time. Many evening courses are available.

# CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There will always be a need for individuals who can provide accurate and timely financial data to managers, investors and creditors. As computers, government, inflation, unions and a shrinking world make the business environment more complex, the demand for these information professionals will grow. The Accounting programs prepare graduates for a career in this area.

Financial Managers are not restricted to any specific type of industry, management level or country. All organizations have financial information processing needs.

Future financial management careers include:

- Auditors
- Business Consultants
- Corporate Accountants
- Controllers
- Entrepreneurs
- Financial Analysts
- Financial Managers
- Financial Planners
- Forensic Accountants
- Instructors
- Internal Auditors
- Management Accountants
- Public Accountants

Graduates will find that these programs allow them to function effectively in most entry-level accounting positions. Many graduates use the program courses as exemptions toward one of the professional accounting programs (CA, CGA or CMA).

### 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.

# CONTENT

Students must complete a minimum of 60 credits that include:

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

Group A		
ACCT 1110	Principles of Accounting I	3 credits
ACCT 1210	Principles of Accounting II	3 credits
Group B		
ACCT 2293	Introduction to Financial Accounting	3 credits

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

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

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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:

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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 2205	Management Information Systems	3 credits
One other CBSY course		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	Writing, Reading and Thinking: An Introduction	3 credits
Two courses in Business (BUSI) and/or 6 credits Marketing (MRKT)		

One elective chosen from approved Faculty of Business Liberal Education Electives (3 or more credits)

- \* Notes:
  - Credit will not be granted for ACCT 1110 if credit was previously granted for ACCT 2293. Credit will not be granted for both ACCT 2293 and ACCT 1210.
  - 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	Principles of Accounting I	3 credits
ACCT 1130	Business Mathematics OR BUQU 1130 - Business Mathematics	3 credits
CBSY 1105	Introduction to Microcomputer Processing	3 credits
ECON 1150	Principles of Microeconomics	3 credits
ENGL 1100	Writing, Reading and Thinking: An Introduction	3 credits
Semester II		
ACCT 1210	Principles of 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 I	3 credits
BUSI 2390	Business Law	3 credits

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#### 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:

- Credit will NOT be granted for ACCT 1110 if credit has been previously granted for ACCT 1210 or 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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## GRADUATION

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

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