The Bachelor of Arts in Business with a concentration in accounting allows students pursuing a degree in business at Virginia Wesleyan University to simultaneously prepare for careers in public accounting and/or managerial accounting. The Department of Management, Business, and Economics (MBE) offers all courses necessary to qualify for taking the Uniform Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Exam in Virginia, and to take the Certified Management Accountant (CMA) Exam offered by the Institute of Management Accountants. In addition, students concentrating in accounting complete the same MBE core curriculum as other business concentrations, which focuses on developing the skills, knowledge and attitude needed to thrive in other areas of the ever-changing business world.

THE BUSINESS MAJOR
A student majoring in business at Virginia Wesleyan must complete a minimum of 44 credit hours in specified “core” courses. Thereafter, the student follows either an internship synthesis (20 credit hours), or a coursework synthesis (12 credit hours). With either avenue, the MBE Department offers concentrations in accounting and finance, law and public administration, marketing and public relations, human resource management, international business, supply chain and operations management, and general management.

ACCOUNTING COURSES
MBE 203 - Accounting I
MBE 204 - Accounting II
MBE 206 - Sustainability Acctg.
MBE 216 - Taxation
MBE 303 - Accounting Theory I
MBE 304 – Accounting Theory II
MBE 317 - Advanced Taxation
MBE 335 – Accounting Information Systems
MBE 343 – Government/Not-for-Profit Accounting
MBE 345 – Managerial Cost Accounting
MBE 355 - Auditing

ACCOUNTING INTERNSHIPS
The vibrant Hampton Roads business community is served by a number of regional and international public accounting firms that regularly provide internship and career opportunities to VWU students. Moreover, it is home to a variety of military commands, and one of the East Coast’s largest ports, all of which provide ample opportunities for students interested in governmental or managerial accounting. Virginia Wesleyan’s internship program allows eligible students to engage in a full- or part-time experience during their last semester.

BEYOND THE ACCOUNTING CLASSROOM
Most business courses and all upper-level accounting courses are taught by seasoned, full-time faculty. VWU graduates routinely point to the effectiveness of the University’s emphasis on carefully meshing professional studies with the undergraduate liberal arts curriculum. Students are regularly admitted into leading graduate business and accounting programs. In addition, the department offers a fully-online MBA program focusing on developing leadership skills.

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