



AAS DEGREE – CODE #0630

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The accounting program is one of our most established and respected within the business discipline. It is a computer-based program in which the latest accounting theory and real-world practice receive equal emphasis as applied to both financial and managerial accounting issues. If you're looking to enter the job market upon graduation or if you're considering an advanced degree, this major is tailor made for you.

ADVANTAGES

- Required course work covers areas critical to success in today's business workplace: technical accounting knowledge, communication and interpersonal skills, career-related computer literacy.
- High-tech classrooms with computer technology integrated into course content.

DIRECT ENTRY INTO BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Alfred State accounting graduates may enter directly into either the business administration BBA, financial planning BBA, the interdisciplinary studies BTech, or technology management BBA degree program.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Students may transfer directly into one of our own BBA degree programs or to another college. Students are encouraged to make their intentions known to their academic adviser during their freshman year. Through the careful use of elective courses, students can realize excellent transfer credit.

The Business Department has established many formal articulation agreements with local four-year institutions, although graduates may transfer to colleges virtually anywhere. Historically, accounting graduates have done very well after leaving Alfred State, whether they enter the workforce or transfer to an advanced program.

OCCUPATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Banking
- Manufacturing
- Retail
- Government and other not-for-profit entities
- Tax agencies
- Financial services

EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Employment and transfer rate of 100 percent – 100 percent continued their education.

RELATED PROGRAMS

[Agricultural Business](#)
[Business Administration](#)
[Computer Information Systems](#)
[Financial Planning](#)
[Marketing](#)
[Technology Management](#)

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Required: Algebra

Recommended: Geometry and Algebra 2

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

A tier 1 laptop computer is required for students entering the accounting program. Laptop specifications are available at <http://www.alfredstate.edu/required-laptops>.

ACCOUNTING - AAS DEGREE

TYPICAL FOUR-SEMESTER PROGRAM

First			
ACCT	1124	Financial Accounting	4
COMP	1503	Freshman Composition	3
CISY	1103	Info Technology Management	3
MKTG	2073	Principles of Marketing	3
MATH	xxx3	Math Elective	3
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Second			
ACCT	2224	Managerial Accounting	4
BUAD	2033	Business Communication	3
BUAD	4203	Intro Personal Financial Plan	3
XXXX	xxx3	Gen. Ed. Natural Science	3
MATH	xxx3	Math Elective	3
GLST	2113	Global Perspectives:Spcl Topic	3
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Third			
ACCT	3423	Intermediate Accounting I	3
ECON	1013	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ACCT	3453	Tax Accounting I	3
BUAD	3043	Business Law I	3
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Fourth			
ACCT	4523	Intermediate Accounting II	3
BUAD	3153	Fundamentals of Management	3
BUAD	4053	Business Law II	3
ECON	2023	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ACCT	4663	Acctng Sys & Computer Appl	3
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

62 semester hours, including 20 hours in major field with a 2.0 cumulative index in such courses, as well as six credit hours of math.

END-OF-PROGRAM EXAM REQUIREMENTS

All students are required to complete an end-of-program exam. This exam will be taken in the capstone course for the student's specific program in ACCT 4523 Intermediate Accounting II. The end-of-program exam will also be considered an assignment in the capstone course. The benefit of taking the end-of-program exam is to test the student's knowledge at the time of graduation. Students may include the progress from the end-of-program exams on their resume. Taking the end-of-program exam will have some fees, which are currently \$23 per exam. Exams will be taken once and they will impact the student's capstone course grade by 5%. Please refer to the syllabi for the relevant capstone course to know the grading scale for the end-of-program exam.

The end-of-program exams are **required**, *not optional*.

Information on how to take the exams will be given in the course prior to the end-of-program exam.

How should I prepare for the assessment exam?

The comprehensive end-of-program exam covers topics taught throughout the degree program, which are aligned to the topics required for accreditation. The preparation for the exam comes from your educational experience with the school, specifically through the required courses for your degree. The exam assesses the foundational knowledge areas for your discipline.

[Learn about specific knowledge areas tested](#) (pdf).