

ACCOUNTING, TESTAMUR MAJOR (T046)

Western Sydney University Major Code: T046

Previous Code: MT2030.1

Available to students in other Western Sydney University programs?

No

Handbook Summary 2017 - 2025

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Handbook Summary 2026

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Location

Campus	Mode	Advice	Credit Points
Bankstown City Campus	Internal	Program Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/business.courses@westernsydney.edu.au)	10
Campbelltown Campus	Internal	Program Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/business.courses@westernsydney.edu.au)	10
		Total Credit Points	80
		Accreditation Subjects	
		Students seeking accreditation with the Australian professional accounting bodies must complete the following six subjects as part of their elective pool:	

Parramatta City Campus-Macquarie Street	Internal	Program Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/business.courses@westernsydney.edu.au)
Sydney City Campus*	Internal	Neelam Goela (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/n.goela@city.westernsydney.edu.au)
WSU Online*	Online	Program Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/business.courses@westernsydney.edu.au)

* Curriculum delivered through an agreement with another party

Accreditation

The Bachelor of Business (Accounting) is currently accredited with and satisfies the pre-admission educational requirements for membership of CPA Australia (CPA), Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ) and the Institute of Public Accountants (IPA). Completion of this degree will allow students to apply for several exemptions from the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) in obtaining the CIMA Professional Qualification.

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this major that you must meet in order to complete the major and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this major online.

Inherent Requirements (http://www.uws.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_accounting_courses/)

Major Structure 2026

This structure applies to students who commenced in 2026 or later. If you commenced 2025 or earlier, please refer to the relevant Structure tab for details.

Students must successfully complete 80 credit points including all of the core subjects listed below.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
ACCT 1005	Accounting in Context	10
ACCT 1007	Financial Accounting Applications	10
ACCT 2005	Techniques in Financial Accounting	10
ACCT 3011	The Accountant as a Consultant	10
ACCT 3003	Accounting Standards and Governance	10
ACCT 3001	Accounting Information Systems	10
ACCT 3006	Auditing and Assurance Services	10
ACCT 3007	Corporate Accounting Systems	10

Total Credit Points

Accreditation Subjects

Students seeking accreditation with the Australian professional accounting bodies must complete the following six subjects as part of their elective pool:

Subject	Title	Credit Points	LAWS 2010	Law of Business Organisations	10
LAWS 1001	Enterprise Law	10		Credit Points	40
LAWS 2010	Law of Business Organisations	10	Spring session		
LAWS 3070	Taxation Law	10	ACCT 2001	Contemporary Management Accounting	10
FINC 2003	Corporate Finance (UG)	10	BUSM 2050	Digital Transformation for Business	10
ACCT 2001	Contemporary Management Accounting	10	ACCT 3003	Accounting Standards and Governance	10
ACCT 1010	Management Accounting Fundamentals	10	ACCT 3001	Accounting Information Systems	10
				Credit Points	40

Note: Students must also complete the Bachelor of Business core subjects including ECON 1011 Principles of Economics and, the Accounting Major to be eligible to apply for professional recognition.

Bachelor of Business Core

Students undertaking the Accounting major take the following subjects to satisfy the core requirements of the Bachelor of Business program.

Subject	Title	Credit Points	Spring session		
BUSM 1050	People and Organisations	10	ACCT 3011	The Accountant as a Consultant	10
MKTG 1014	Marketing in Action	10	ACCT 3006	Auditing and Assurance Services	10
ECON 1016	Evidence-Based Decision Making	10	Select two electives		20
BUSM 2050	Digital Transformation for Business	10		Credit Points	40
ECON 1017	The Future of Business	10		Total Credit Points	240
BUSM 1048	Professional Careers and Employability	10			
BUSM 3084	Professional Business Experience	10			
ECON 1011	Principles of Economics	10			
Total Credit Points		80			

Recommended Sequence 2026

This sequence applies to students who commenced in 2026 or later. If you commenced in 2025 or earlier, please refer to the relevant Sequence tab for details.

Qualification for the award of Bachelor of Business with a major in Accounting requires the successful completion of 240 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Full-time

Course	Title	Credit Points	Year 1		
Year 1			Autumn session		
Autumn session			BUSM 1050	People and Organisations	10
BUSM 1050	People and Organisations	10	MKTG 1014	Marketing in Action	10
				Credit Points	20
Spring session			ACCT 1005	Accounting in Context	10
ACCT 1005	Accounting in Context	10	ECON 1017	The Future of Business	10
				Credit Points	20
Year 2			Autumn session		
Autumn session			ECON 1016	Evidence-Based Decision Making	10
ECON 1016	Evidence-Based Decision Making	10	LAWS 1001	Enterprise Law	10
				Credit Points	20
Spring session			ACCT 1007	Financial Accounting Applications	10
ACCT 1007	Financial Accounting Applications	10	BUSM 1048	Professional Careers and Employability	10
				Credit Points	20
Year 3			Autumn session		
Autumn session			ACCT 1010	Management Accounting Fundamentals	10
ACCT 1010	Management Accounting Fundamentals	10	ACCT 2005	Techniques in Financial Accounting	10
				Credit Points	20
Spring session			ECON 1011	Principles of Economics	10
ECON 1011	Principles of Economics	10	LAWS 2010	Law of Business Organisations	10
				Credit Points	20
Year 4			Autumn session		
Autumn session			BUSM 2050	Digital Transformation for Business	10

ACCT 3003	Accounting Standards and Governance	10	MATH 1030 Statistics for Business or ECON 1006 Introduction to Economic Methods) and the Enterprise Engaged subject ACCT 3011 The Accountant as a Consultant to be eligible to apply for professional recognition.
	Credit Points	20	
Spring session			
ACCT 2001	Contemporary Management Accounting	10	
ACCT 3001	Accounting Information Systems	10	
	Credit Points	20	
Year 5			
Autumn session			
ACCT 3007	Corporate Accounting Systems	10	
LAWS 3070	Taxation Law	10	
	Credit Points	20	
Spring session			
BUSM 3084	Professional Business Experience	10	
FINC 2003	Corporate Finance (UG)	10	
	Credit Points	20	
Year 6			
Autumn session			
ACCT 3011	The Accountant as a Consultant	10	
ACCT 3006	Auditing and Assurance Services	10	
	Credit Points	20	
Spring session			
Select two electives		20	
	Credit Points	20	
	Total Credit Points	240	

Major Structure 2017-2025

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Students must successfully complete 80 credit points including all of the core subjects listed below.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
ACCT 1005	Accounting in Context	10
ACCT 3001	Accounting Information Systems	10
ACCT 3003	Accounting Standards and Governance	10
ACCT 3006	Auditing and Assurance Services	10
ACCT 3007	Corporate Accounting Systems	10
ACCT 1007	Financial Accounting Applications	10
ACCT 1010	Management Accounting Fundamentals	10
ACCT 2005	Techniques in Financial Accounting	10
Total Credit Points		80

Accreditation Subjects

Students seeking accreditation with the Australian professional accounting bodies must complete the following four subjects as part of their elective pool:

Subject	Title	Credit Points
ACCT 2001	Contemporary Management Accounting	10
ECON 2002	Corporate Financial Management	10
LAWS 2010	Law of Business Organisations	10
LAWS 3070	Taxation Law	10

Note: Students must also complete the Bachelor of Business core subjects, the Accounting Major as well as a numeracy subject (either

Professional Subjects for Careers in Money

Students planning to progress to the major in Accounting are advised to take the following four subjects to satisfy the requirements for their professional core:

Subject	Title	Credit Points
BUSM 3028	Innovation, Enterprise and Society	10
ACCT 3011	The Accountant as a Consultant	10
BUSM 2041	Working in Professions	10
Select one of the following:		10
ECON 1006	Introduction to Economic Methods	
MATH 1030	Statistics for Business	

Recommended Sequence 2017-2025

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Qualification for the award of Bachelor of Business with a major in Accounting requires the successful completion of 240 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Full-time

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
BUSM 1010	Financing Enterprises	10
LAWS 1001	Enterprise Law	10
ACCT 1005	Accounting in Context	10
Select one of the following:		10
ECON 1006	Introduction to Economic Methods	
MATH 1030	Statistics for Business	
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
BUSM 1008	Enterprise Leadership	10
ACCT 1007	Financial Accounting Applications	10
BUSM 1006	Enterprise Innovation and Markets	10
Select one elective		10
This may include the Accreditation elective subject ECON 2002 Corporate Financial Management		
Credit Points		40
Year 2		
Autumn session		
ACCT 1010	Management Accounting Fundamentals	10
ACCT 2005	Techniques in Financial Accounting	10
BUSM 2041	Working in Professions	10
Select one elective		10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
ACCT 3003	Accounting Standards and Governance	10
BUSM 3028	Innovation, Enterprise and Society	10
ACCT 3001	Accounting Information Systems	10

Select one elective	10	BUSM 3028	Innovation, Enterprise and Society	10
This may include the Accreditation elective subject LAWS 2010 Law of Business Organisations			Credit Points	20
Spring session				
ACCT 3001		Accounting Information Systems		10
Select one elective				10
This may include the Accreditation elective subject ACCT 2001				
			Credit Points	20
Year 3				
Autumn session				
ACCT 3007 Corporate Accounting Systems	10			
Select three electives	30			
These may include the Accreditation elective subjects ACCT 2001 Contemporary Management Accounting or LAWS 3070 Taxation Law				
			Credit Points	40
Spring session				
ACCT 3006 Auditing and Assurance Services	10			
ACCT 3011 The Accountant as a Consultant (Enterprise Engaged Subject)	10			
Select two electives	20			
			Credit Points	40
		Total Credit Points	240	
Part-time				
Course Title		Credit Points		
Year 1				
Autumn session				
BUSM 1010 Financing Enterprises	10			
LAWS 1001 Enterprise Law	10			
		Credit Points	20	
Spring session				
ACCT 1005 Accounting in Context	10			
Select one of the following:	10			
ECON 1006 Introduction to Economic Methods				
MATH 1030 Statistics for Business				
		Credit Points	20	
		Total Credit Points	240	
Year 2				
Autumn session				
BUSM 1008 Enterprise Leadership	10			
BUSM 1006 Enterprise Innovation and Markets	10			
		Credit Points	20	
Spring session				
ACCT 1007 Financial Accounting Applications	10			
BUSM 2041 Working in Professions	10			
		Credit Points	20	
Year 3				
Autumn session				
ACCT 1010 Management Accounting Fundamentals	10			
ACCT 2005 Techniques in Financial Accounting	10			
		Credit Points	20	
Spring session				
Select two electives	20			
These may include the two Accreditation elective subjects ECON 2002 or LAWS 2010				
		Credit Points	20	
Year 4				
Autumn session				
ACCT 3003 Accounting Standards and Governance	10			

Equivalent Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of the program for students who may have passed subjects in the list in 2022 or earlier.

FINC 1001 - Management Accounting Fundamentals, replaced by ACCT 1010 Management Accounting Fundamentals

Related Programs

Bachelor of Business (2786) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-business/>)

Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Laws (2788) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-business-bachelor-laws/>)

Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (2840) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-business-bachelor-laws-honours/>)

Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology/Bachelor of Business (Accounting) (3738) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-information-communications-technology-bachelor-business-accounting/>)

Diploma in Business/Bachelor of Business (6037) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-business-bachelor-business/>)