Business, Law, and Information Technology
Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs)
Program Map: Associate in Arts Degree for Accounting

Total number of units: 60 units | **Top Code/Academic Plan: 0502.00** | **Updated on May 2, 2022**

Semester 1	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ACCTG 001	**Introductory Accounting I**	**5**	This core course Is offered every semester. It is a prerequisite for ACCTG 002. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under “Class Search Type” as “Zero Textbook Cost” or “Low-Cost Textbook Classes.”	Offered day, evening, and online.
GE Course	ENGLISH 101	**College Reading and Composition I**	**3**	LACCD GE elective in the D1 area. Offered every semester. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under “Class Search Type” as “Zero Textbook Cost” or “Low-Cost Textbook Classes.”	Offered day, evening, short-term, and online. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu.
GE Course	EARTH 001	**Earth Science**	**3**	LACCD GE elective in the A area. Offered every semester.	Offered day and evening. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu.
GE Course		**Health and Fitness Area E1 and E2 Elective**	**3**	Any course from the LACCD GE E1 elective area can be chosen. HEALTH 002 covers both the E1 and E2 area.	
		Total Units	**14**		

Intersession	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	BUS 001	**Introduction to Business**	**3**	This core course is offered every semester. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under “Class Search Type” as “Zero Textbook Cost” or “Low-Cost Textbook Classes.”	Day and evening.
		Total Units	**3**		

Semester 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ACCTG 002	**Introductory Accounting II**	**5**	This core course is offered every semester and has a prerequisite: ACCTG 001. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under “Class Search Type” as “Zero Textbook Cost” or “Low-Cost Textbook Classes.”	Offered day, evening, and online.
Program Course	ACCTG 032	**Accounting Using QuickBooks Pro**	**3**	This course is offered fall and spring semesters.	Offered in the evening.
Program Course	SUPV 001	**Elements of Supervision**	**3**	This core course is offered every semester.	Offered in the evening.
GE Course	POL SCI 001	**The Government of the United States**	**3**	This elective course fulfills LACCD GE Area B1. It is offered every semester. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under “Class Search Type” as “Zero Textbook Cost” or “Low-Cost Textbook Classes.”	Offered day, evening, short-term, and online. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu.
		Total Units	**14**		

Semester 3	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ACCTG 045	**Governmental Accounting I**	**3**	This core course is offered fall and spring semesters.	Offered in the evening.
Program Course	ACCTG 003	**Intermediate Accounting I**	**3**	This core course is offered fall and spring semesters and has a prerequisite: ACCTG 002.	Offered in the evening.
Program Course	CIS 101	**Introduction to Computers and Their Uses**	**3**	This core course is offered every semester. It may be double-counted in the LACCD General Education Requirement D2 area.	Offered day, evening, and online.
Program Course	LAW 001	**Business Law 1**	**3**	This core course is offered every semester.	Offered day, evening, and online.
GE Course		**If HEALTH 002 is not chosen, LACCD General Education Requirement Physical Activity Area E2 Elective.**	**1**	Any other 1 unit E2 course from the LACCD GE Requirements can be chosen.	
		Total Units	**13**		

Intersession	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course	LAW 003	**Civil Rights and the Law**	**3**	Any other 3 unit B2 course from the LACCD GE Requirements can be chosen.	Offered in the evening.
		Total Units	**3**		

Semester 4	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ACCTG 012	**Auditing**	**3**	This core course is offered fall and spring semesters and has a prerequisite: Accounting 002.	Offered in the evening.
Program Course	ACCTG 015	**Tax Accounting I**	**3**	This core course is offered fall and spring semesters.	Offered in the evening.
Program Course	LAW 002	**Business Law II**	**3**	This is an elective course; any course from the list of electives can be chosen.	Offered in the evening and online.

Semester 4	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course	PHILOS 020	**Ethics**	**3**	This elective course fulfils LACCD GE Area C.	Offered day and evening. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu.
GE Course		**Elective LACCD General Education Requirements**	**1**	Any LACCD General Education Requirement course can be chosen.	
		Total Units	**13**		

Degree Path and Requirements:

The Accounting, Associate in Arts Degree includes 39 - 41 program units and 21 - 22 LACCD General Education Requirements units. Three units of program course CIS101 may be double-counted toward LACCD General Education Requirements area D2.

This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with counselors. Students can apply for certificates as soon as the necessary courses are completed. Meet with a counselor and the financial aid office to ensure continued financial aid. Check with financial aid for eligibility.

Department Advising Notes:

Please consult with a counselor to review your best General Education options based on your educational goals as course preferences may vary with your career objectives.

Program Description

This program is designed for the student who wishes to become an accountant, or to do accounting work of an advanced and technical nature in public or private accounting.

Career and Transfer Opportunities

The Accounting, Associate in Arts degree prepares students to transfer to a four-year institution or to enter the accounting profession. Positions in accounting include accounting clerk, payroll clerk, management accountant, auditor, controller, tax preparer, and Certified Public Accountant (CPA). In the accounting profession, CPA licensure in the State of California requires a Baccalaureate degree and 150 semester units. Information on the educational requirements for CPA licensure can be found in here. Median annual earnings range from $46,000 to $74,700 based on job title.

Visit the Transfer Center for transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a counselor. Students can visit Career and Job Services for career counseling and further exploration. For additional resources, students pursuing a certificate can visit the American Job Center of California on ELAC main campus. More information about job reseach can be found in Centers of Excellence Labor Market Research.

Youtube Videos

Accountants and Auditors

Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerk Career Video

Budget Analyst Career Video

Financial Manager Career Video

Treasurers and Controllers

Program Map

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

Prerequisite Course

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at elac.edu for the latest and most accurate information.

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