DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING

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Overview
Accounting is the language of business. As organizations become more complex, accountants constantly improve processing, reporting, and interpreting information about organizational activities. Through Saint Louis University’s accounting program at the Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business (https://www.slu.edu/business/), students gain an understanding of how information is identified, measured, communicated and used. Essentially, accountants are trained in information processing and analysis, with accountants heavily interacting with others in decision-making and problem-solving in modern business.

Accounting Scholars Program
SLU’s Accounting Scholars program is available only to entering first-year students whose high school scholastic achievement and admission test scores demonstrate superior academic potential. Accounting Scholars who complete the program requirements are guaranteed a seat in the Integrated Accounting Program and receive priority consideration for graduate-level scholarships. Accounting Scholars will not be required to take the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) but must formally submit application material to the Integrated Accounting Program to complete their admission.

Requirements
High school seniors applying for admission are reviewed on an individual basis. The best-qualified students are selected from the application pool with a required minimum high school GPA of 3.60 on a 4.00 scale with a high school math GPA of 3.6 after completing at least three years of coursework. Standardized test scores are now optional but recommended; international applicants may be required to submit proof of English proficiency. Applicants should note that students accepted in previous years had an average composite 30+ ACT or an average total 1330+ SAT.

To remain in the program, students must:
- Maintain a minimum 3.40 cumulative grade point average (GPA) at the end of each year
- Complete select coursework and other activities as determined by the accounting department

Programs
Undergraduate Programs
- Accounting, B.S.
- Accounting, B.S. to Accounting, M.Acc.
- Accounting, Minor

Graduate Programs
- Accounting, M.Acc.
- Accounting, M.Acc. & Law, J.D. Dual Degree

Faculty
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