

ACCOUNTING CONCENTRATION

Typical Job Titles (Cal Poly recent graduates)

- Staff Accountant
- Associate Auditor
- Tax Associate
- Cost Accountant
- Internal Auditing Associate
- External Auditor
- Tax Consultant
- Assurance Associate
- Investment Research Associate
- Financial Analyst

Salary Information

Career Services' Graduate Survey for Cal Poly recent grads:

- 2009-2010—Median Salary—\$50,000

Preparation

- Find information about the Accounting Concentration from www.cob.calpoly.edu
- Check out Career Services' Graduate Survey – lists employers, job titles, and salary information of recent Cal Poly graduates divided by major/concentration - <https://www.careers.calpoly.edu/search.php>
- Cal Poly Accounting Club (CPAC) – <http://calpolycpac.com/> – Meet people in your concentration, network with employers, and get involved to build your resume!

Things to Consider

- Many accountants will take the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam within their first year of their career. A new law goes into effect starting 2014 that required an additional 45 units in accounting and ethical courses in order to qualify to take the CPA.

Career Research Resources

- www.careerservices.calpoly.edu – Cal Poly Career Services - career planning links, job listing links, career information and help
- [MustangJOBS](#) – Single click access through your portal account – find local, part-time jobs, internships, and career postings for Cal Poly students, in addition to information on employers who recruit marketing students
- www.careers-in-accounting.com – Detailed info. on accounting careers
- www.careeroverview.com/accounting-careers.html - More information about accounting careers
- www.nationjob.com/financial/ - Accounting, Finance, and Insurance job listings
- www.bls.gov/oco/ocos001.htm - Department of Labor & Statistics information about Accountants/Auditors
- Career books available in the **Career Resource Center** at Career Services (Bldg. 124, Room 117): *Careers in Business; Opportunities in Accounting Careers, Great Jobs for Accounting Majors, Vault Career Guide to Accounting*