

# ACCOUNTING

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Telfer School of Management



## Honours BCom with Specialization in Accounting

Available in co-op and French immersion.

An essential commercial and administrative activity, accounting is the process by which managers keep track of everything happening in their organization. In our accounting program, you not only learn how to produce accurate financial statements, but also explore more complex topics such as auditing and the legal implications of accounting.

In addition, accounting has a co-op stream that enables you to gain practical experience by applying your classroom knowledge in actual work settings. Finally, during your studies at the Telfer School of Management, you can complete all the university-level courses required for each of the CMA, CGA and CA designations in Ontario.

### SAMPLE COURSES

Intermediate accounting  
Taxation  
Cost accounting  
Auditing theory  
Corporate finance  
Seminar in accounting theory  
Management control systems  
Specialized topics in financial accounting

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Accountant (CA, CMA, CGA)  
Actuary  
Auditor  
Canada Revenue Agency auditor  
Bookkeeper  
Business analyst  
Cost accountant  
Controller  
Director of finance  
Financial analyst  
Financial consultant  
Financial officer  
Forensic accountant  
Payroll manager  
Tax specialist

## OUR STUDENTS MAKE THE NEWS

In 2009, the University of Ottawa finished first overall at the *Jeux du commerce*, an Eastern Canadian university competition. Telfer School of Management students ranked second in the taxation case.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

You can join the Telfer School of Management's Accounting Club, take part in networking events, informative sessions and challenges like the University of Ottawa's annual Accounting Competition. The academic event brings together accounting and finance students from universities across Ontario and Quebec to compete for prizes. In 2008, students from the Telfer School won the case round for managerial accounting.



Merridee Bujaki

PROFESSOR  
FOURTEEN YEARS  
OF TEACHING

### WHAT EVENT OF THE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT ARE YOU MOST LIKELY TO ATTEND?

The Accounting Club's Wine and Cheese event held each fall.

### WHAT ARE YOU MOST PASSIONATE ABOUT IN ACCOUNTING?

My particular interest is in striving to understand when and why corporations disclose certain information in their annual reports—and why they don't disclose other information. For me, it is all about trying to get into the mind of the managers who make these decisions in order to infer their motivations.

### HOW IS THE CITY OF OTTAWA AN IDEAL PLACE TO STUDY AND WORK IN ACCOUNTING?

The City of Ottawa is a great place to study accounting—especially now. The federal government has a great need for accountants and auditors at the present time. Many not-for-profits and a number of corporate head offices are also located here—and they all need accountants and auditors. Thus there are many opportunities in our well-regarded co-op program for placements in Ottawa while you study and many opportunities available in accounting after you graduate.

### WHAT WOULD BE YOUR ADVICE TO FUTURE STUDENTS?

My best advice—which I have given to my own children as well—is to study what interests, intrigues and excites you. If the enthusiasm for your subject is there, enjoyment and success will follow.