Why Pursue an Accounting Career?

- Tremendous growth and learning opportunities in public accounting and industry
- Identification of innovative solutions to solve complex financial, operational, and societal problems
- Competitive compensation and flexible benefits to support your financial and mental well-being
- Collaboration with diverse teams and clients in a human-centered environment

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What skills drive success in the accounting profession?

- Entrepreneurial and analytical mindset
- Creative problem solving
- Leadership
- Critical thinking
- Data analysis, interpretation and storytelling
- Intellectual curiosity
- Project management
- Interpersonal communication
- Public speaking and professional writing

Did you know?

You can pursue these career tracks in any industry - biotech, financial services, retail, technology and many others.

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Big 4 US Senior Partner

Look at all the places you can go!
“Now more than ever, trust is key to a global economy that is healthy, growing and secure. By inspiring confidence in business and the capital markets, accounting professionals help promote sustainable, long-term value creation.”

— ANTHONY CATERINO, ’91
Vice Chair Big 4

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— SHAY BLANCHETTE ’90, ’13
Babson Accounting Faculty and former Big 4 Audit Partner

“The best part of my job is interacting with all different functions across the business. I’m currently managing global projects with IT, supply chain, and the commercial teams for process improvements, interacting regularly with counterparts in the US, UK, France and China.”

— MARQUIS COOPER,
Internal Auditor

“Want to follow the money? Accounting is where the action is. It lets you look “under the hood” to find out what’s really going on—how a business operates, where the risks and opportunities lie”

— SARAH WU ’09
Accountrepreneur

“Concentrating in accounting led me to an exciting career in the Big-4 where I built the professional skills to do anything I wanted. When I was inspired to start my business, Wishroute, those same skills and experiences helped me to develop a strategy, understand the finances of running a business and gave investors confidence in my ability to lead.”

— JESSICA LYNCH BS
MSA’13 MBA ‘18

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