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## University of Kentucky Accounting

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## **Program Summary**

The Von Allmen School of Accountancy prepares students for careers in public and private accounting, business and industry, universities and government. The program is high touch in which many students develop a close working relationships with our dedicated faculty. Students are regularly recruited by Deloitte, EY, KPMG, PwC, and many other large national, regional and local CPA firms, as well as major fortune 500 companies.

Students learn to communicate, measure, and process financial information about an economic entity.

## **Strengths & Noteworthy Practices**

Students are provided a rigorous curriculum with a multitude of assignments, modalities, and activities designed to prepare students to express their ideas and information coherently and appropriately in work-based settings.

Syllabi in core and cross-discipline courses consistently require students to participate by actively listening and responding constructively utilizing a variety of communication modalities including writing, orally, interpersonally via hands-on simulations, and through presentations. Learning is facilitated by requiring students to work effectively in team contexts, role-playing, and engaging students in discussions by actively listening and responding constructively.

The Graham Office of Career Management provides tailored, comprehensive career services to accounting students and employers. The level of engagement, dedicated programs and networking opportunities supporting accounting students is impressive. Communication skills are further developed through career management activities preparing students through mock interviews, developing their resumes, attending career fairs, and attaining internships.

A long-standing, active Accounting Advisory Board including major accounting employers and a broad array of partners from business and industry functions to advise the director and faculty on the existing curriculum, new programming, student recruitment, maintaining AACSB accreditation, placement of students and graduates, and fundraising strategies.



