**ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE**

**Chairperson:** Dr. Ronald Strauss

Accounting is the language of business and simply put, a degree in accounting provides students with an array of potential career opportunities as accountants, analysts, investors, or managers. Programs are designed to prepare students to manage and interpret internal and external accounting reports, as well as effectively communicate financial information about firm performance. Our well-respected, knowledgeable faculty members are active in their profession and are dedicated to the academic and career success of all students. A network of engaged, active alumni is available to students for career advice and support, and the department’s strong ties with the business and accounting communities provide remarkable professional development and networking opportunities.

Finance provides students with the academic foundation to succeed in the areas of corporate financial management and investments in securities. The curriculum in finance is designed to contribute to a broad-based liberal arts education by expanding a student’s perception of the financial decisions that individuals and societies must make under widely varying conditions. Strong emphasis is given to the development analytical reasoning, quantitative fluency, written and oral communications, and creative excellence.

**Retention Policy (Accounting Undergraduate)**

The following standards are effective for all incoming accounting students during the fall 2014 semester and forward. Once a student majors in accounting, the 2.70 Cumulative GPA must be maintained.

This threshold is twofold:

1. Overall
2. Accounting major

If a student falls below a 2.70 Cumulative GPA in a semester, they will go on probation for the next semester. If their Cumulative GPA does not come back to a 2.70, they will no longer be able to stay in the accounting major.

**Retention Policy (Finance Undergraduate)**

The following standards are effective for all incoming business student concentrates in finance during the fall 2017 semester and forward. Once a business student concentrates in finance, the 2.5 Cumulative GPA must be maintained.

This threshold is twofold:

1. Overall
2. Business major concentration in Finance

If a student falls below a 2.5 Cumulative GPA in a semester, they will go on probation for the next semester. If their Cumulative GPA does not come back to a 2.5, they will no longer be able to stay in the finance concentration.

**Retention Policy (Real Estate Undergraduate)**

The following standards are effective for all incoming business student concentrates in real estate during the fall 2017 semester and forward. Once a business student concentrates in real estate, the 2.5 Cumulative GPA must be maintained.

This threshold is twofold:

1. Overall
2. Business major concentration in Real Estate

If a student falls below a 2.5 Cumulative GPA in a semester, they will go on probation for the next semester. If their Cumulative GPA does not come back to a 2.5, they will no longer be able to stay in the real estate concentration.

**Undergraduate**

- Accounting Major (B.S.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/accounting-bs/)
- Accounting Major (B.S.) (Combined B.S./M.S.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/accounting-undergraduate-combined-bs-ms/)
- Business Administration Major, Finance Concentration (B.S.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-administration-finance-bs/)
- Business Administration Major, Finance Concentration (B.S.) (Combined B.S./M.B.A.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-administration-finance-bs-mba/)
- Business Administration Major, Real Estate Concentration (B.S.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-administration-real-estate-bs/)
- Business Administration Major, Real Estate Concentration (B.S.) (Combined B.S./M.B.A) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-administration-real-estate-bs-mba/)

**Graduate**

- Accounting (M.S.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/accounting-ms/)
- Accounting (M.S.) (Combined B.S./M.S.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/accounting-graduate-combined-bs-ms/)
- Accounting Certificate Program (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/accounting-certificate-graduate/)
- Business Administration (M.B.A.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/mba/)
- Business Administration (M.B.A.) (Combined B.A./M.B.A) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-admin-graduate-combined-ba-mba/)
- Business Administration, Accounting Concentration (M.B.A.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-administration-accounting-mba/)
- Business Administration, Finance Concentration (M.B.A.) (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/business-administration-finance-mba/)
- Forensic Accounting Certificate Program (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/forensic-accounting-certificate-graduate/)
• Professional Accounting Certificate Program (http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/professional-accounting-certificate-graduate/)