



WHAT IS ACCOUNTING?

Accounting is the process of recording financial transactions that pertain to a business. Individuals identify, measure, analyze, and report these transactions to other agencies, regulators, and tax collection entities. Accounting is necessary for decision making, cost planning, and measurement of economic performance for any business. This degree provides a foundation for careers in business-related fields such as management, marketing, banking and finance, and law.

INTERESTS

(THINGS YOU LIKE TO DO)

- Data analysis
- Following a set of procedures and routines
- Working with data and details
- Working on projects
- Creating projects
- Taking risks

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SKILLS

(THINGS YOU WILL LEARN & USE)

- Active listening
- Critical thinking
- Organization skills
- Time management
- Attention to detail
- Mathematical and deductive reasoning
- Team work

LAVC DEGREES & CERTIFICATES OFFERED

The accounting major is housed under the Business Administration Department at Los Angeles Valley College. The department provides a comprehensive set of classes that give students the tools to be successful in business. Most of the classes include real-life team projects and class presentations to help students learn how to communicate effectively, take initiative, be team players, and exhibit professional behavior and leadership. LAVC offers the following degrees and certificates:

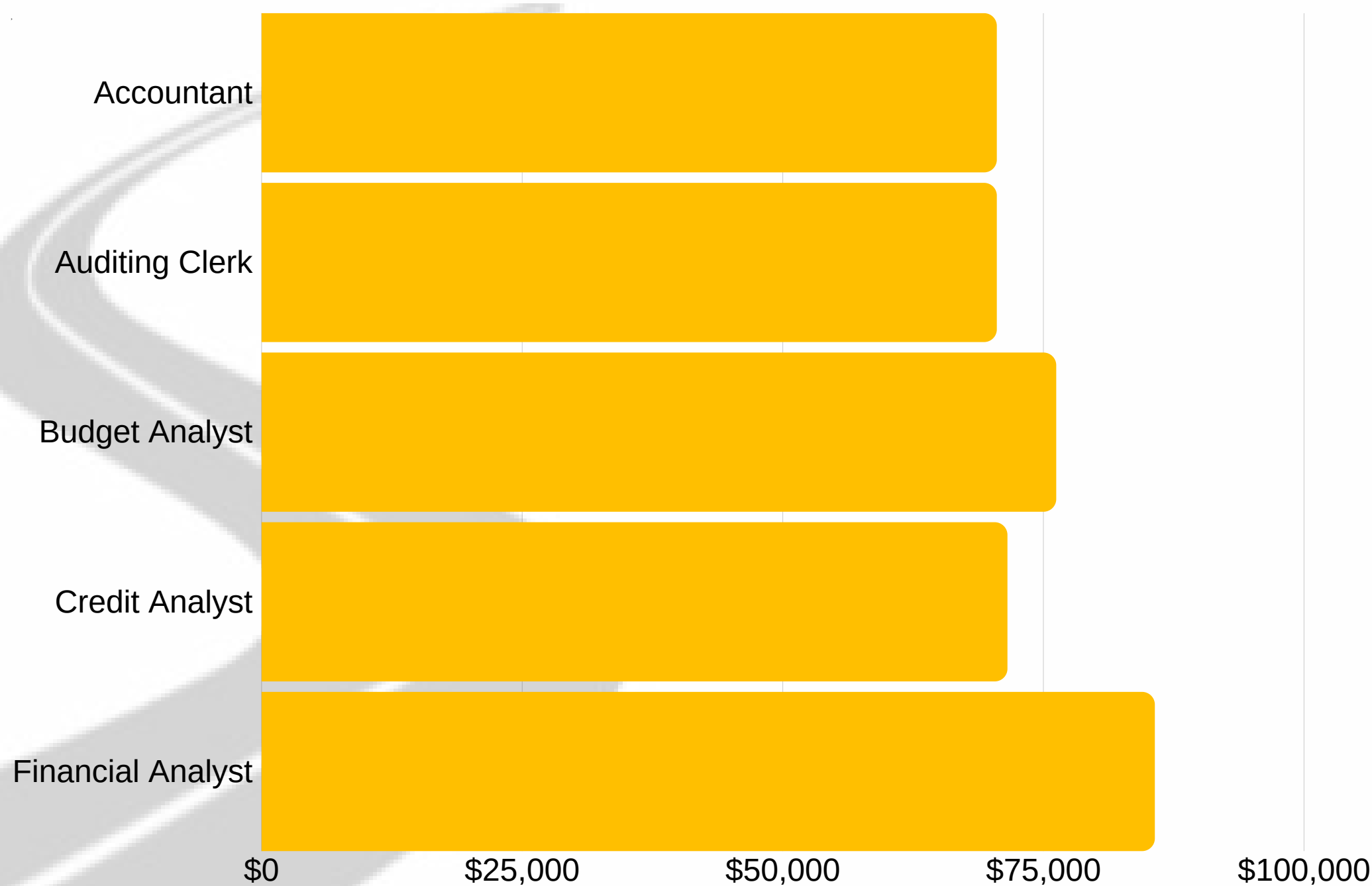
- **Associate of Science for Transfer (AS-T) in Business Administration**
- **Associate of Arts (AA) in Accounting**
- **Associate of Arts (AA) in Banking and Finance**
- **Associate of Arts (AA) in Management**
- **Associate of Arts (AA) in Marketing**
- **Associate of Arts (AA) in Real Estate**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Accounting**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Banking and Finance**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Business Management**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Marketing**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Property Management**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Real Estate**
- **Certificate of Achievement in Retail Management**

TRANSFER RELATED MAJORS:

- **CSU Dominguez Hills:** Business Administration (Accounting)
- **CSU Northridge:** Accountancy
- **CSU Los Angeles:** Business Administration (Accounting)
- **CSU Long Beach:** Business Administration (Accounting)
- **UC Irvine:** Business Administration (Accounting)
- **UC Santa Barbara:** Economics and Accounting
- **University of Southern California:** Business & Accounting



EARNINGS*



*Earnings can vary by occupation and experience. The following are median wages as of 2018 in California based on CaliforniaCareerZone.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- www.lavc.edu/transfer
- [www.lavc.edu/business-administration/Degree-Certificates/Accounting-\(AA\).aspx](http://www.lavc.edu/business-administration/Degree-Certificates/Accounting-(AA).aspx)
- <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/majors/default.html>
- www.assist.org
- www.eureka.org
- www.cacareerzone.org
- www.onetonline.org
- <http://degrees.calstate.edu/>
- https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/undergraduate_majors_list.pdf

RELATED OCCUPATIONS

- Accountant
- Auditing clerk
- Booking
- Budget analyst
- Credit analyst
- Collector
- Financial analyst
- Management analyst
- Payroll manager
- Revenue agent
- Tax preparer



POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS

- Accounting firms
- Banks
- Business owners
- Hospitals
- Insurance companies
- Political parties
- Schools
- State and local agencies
- Universities and colleges

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