

Career Outlook: Accounting

Accounting Programs Available at Bemidji State University:

Major: Accounting (B.S.) **Minors:** Accounting and Fraud Examination

Department Website: <http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/accounting>

EMPLOYMENT AREAS AND PROJECTED DEMAND:

The "Occupational Outlook Handbook" (OOH) reports that accountants and auditors held about 1.4 million jobs in 2019. They worked in offices, although some work from home. About 24% of accountants and auditors worked for accounting, tax preparation, bookkeeping, and payroll services firms; another 9% worked for finance and insurance; 8% worked in government; 6% were self-employed; and another 7% worked for management of companies and enterprises. OOH reports that the accounting field is expected to grow 4%, (as fast as average), through the year 2029, with a salary ranging from \$44,480 to \$124,450, with the median annual wage and salary earnings of \$71,550 in May 2019.

PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR ACCOUNTING GRADUATES:

There are many career opportunities for Bemidji State University Accounting graduates. Of the 52 Bemidji State University 2018-2019 Accounting graduates, 88.1% reported obtaining related employment within one year of graduation. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, furthering their education, unavailable, or had unknown status.

PARTIAL LIST OF EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE REPORTED HIRING BSU ACCOUNTING GRADUATES*:

(This list only includes employment within one year of graduation.)

Able Hose & Rubber	Office Manager	Roseville, MN
Affinity Plus Credit Union	Associate Accountant	St. Paul, MN
Alerus	Payroll Analyst	Albert Lea, MN
Arvig	General Accounting Technician	Perham, MN
Bio-Techne	Accounting Supervisor	Minneapolis, MN
Clark Concrete Company, Inc.	Accounts Receivable Specialist	Rochester, MN
CliftonLarsonAllen (X2)	Accountant	Brainerd, MN
ElderCare of Bemidji	Business Office Manager	Bemidji, MN
Mastec North America Inc	Project Coordinator	Shevlin, MN
Mills Automotive Group	Accounts Payable Lead	Baxter, MN
Mortenson	Associate Project Accountant	St. Paul, MN
North Country Business	Products Implementation Specialist	Plymouth, MN
Packaging Corporation of America	Cost Accountant	International Falls, MN
River City Lawnscape	Accounting Manager	Holmen, WI
Saint Louis County	Payroll Bookkeeper	Duluth, MN
Scoular Company	Merchandising Assistant	Minneapolis, MN
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe	Controller	Fort Yates, ND
State of Minnesota	Accounting Officer Senior	St. Paul, MN
Yard House	Manager	St Louis Park, MN

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHERE BSU ACCOUNTING GRADUATES HAVE GONE TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION:

- Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN
- Iowa State University, Ames, IA
- Normandale Community College, Bloomington, MN
- Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX

*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market. For a complete list of employers contact the Career Services office.

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For more information, contact Career Services; Decker Hall/218-755-2038/career@bemidjistate.edu

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<https://www.bemidjistate.edu/services/career/events-guides-resources/job-listings/>



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