

Southwestern Michigan College (SMC) Transfer Guide

The Accountancy program is a professional, career-oriented course of study. Students often take staff accountant positions in industry or public accounting upon graduation as well as pursue professional certification.

Unlike other universities, our bachelor's degree covers all of the content required to sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Internal Auditor (CIA), Certified Management Accountant (CMA), and Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) exams. Ferris faculty bring real-world experience to the classroom and a spectrum of certifications in these areas.

Students should also consider our dual degrees (Accountancy/CIS and Accountancy/Finance). While demanding, they help prepare students for increasingly integrated business disciplines. These dual degrees, and several minors, are also used by students seeking to fulfill the 150-hour requirement for CPA licensure.

The Bachelor of Science in Accountancy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools & Programs (ACBSP).

Communication Competency

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
COMM 121	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	SPEE 102	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
ENGL 150	English 1	3	ENGL 103	Freshman English 2	3
ENGL 250	English 2	3	ENGL 104	Freshman English 3	3
ENGL 325	Advanced Business Writing	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Quantitative Literacy Competency – See below or Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher, Official Post-2016 Math SAT Score of 580 or Higher, or Official MATH ACT Score of 24 or Higher.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 114	Quantitative Reasoning for Pro 2	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Natural Sciences Competency – Two courses are required with a minimum of 6 credits: must have at least one lab course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	Natural Sciences Electives	6	Varies	Varies	6

Culture Competency – Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from 2 different disciplines, have at least 1 at FSU 200 level or higher course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	Culture Electives	9	Varies	Varies	9

Self and Society Competency – Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from 2 different disciplines, have at least 1 at FSU 200 level or higher course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON 202	Microeconomics	3
ECON 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECON 201	Macroeconomics	3
Varies	Self & Society Elective	3	Varies	Varies	3

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses or may visit www.ferris.edu/gened.

Diversity Competency – 2 Courses Required

If not met by courses taken for Culture, Self and Society, or MTA, a student must meet the following:

- 1 course with the Global Diversity attribute
- 1 course with the U.S. Diversity attribute

College Requirements – 80 Credits Required**Business Core Requirements – 30 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
ACCT 201	Principles of Financial Acct.	3	ACCO 201	Principles of Accounting 1	4
ACCT 202	Principles of Managerial Acct.	3	ACCO 202	Principles of Accounting 2	4
STQM 260	Introduction to Statistics	3	MATH 150	Statistics	3
MGMT 301	Applied Management	3	BUSI 201	Principles of Management	3
BLAW 321	Contracts & Sales	3	BUSI 207	Business Law	3
MKTG 321	Principles of Marketing	3	BUSI 220	Marketing	3
MGMT 370	Quality-Operations Management	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
FINC 322	Financial Management 1	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
ISYS 321	Business Information Systems	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
BUSN 499	Integrating Experience	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Accountancy Major Requirements – 36 Credits Required

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
ACCT 310	Intermediate Accounting 1	3	ACCO 211	Intermediate Accounting 1	
ACCT 312	Intermediate Accounting 2	3	ACCO 212	Intermediate Accounting 2	
ACCT 321	Cost Accounting 1	3	ACCO 214	Cost Accounting	
ACCT 350	Federal Income Tax/Individual	3	ACCO 203	Federal Income Tax	3
ACCT 410	Advanced Accounting	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
ACCT 431	Accounting Systems & Controls 1	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
ACCT 441	Auditing 1	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
ACCT 450	Federal Income Tax/Corporate	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
Pick 4	Choose from the following:		BUSI 208 or	Business Law 2 or	3
ACCT 322	Advanced Managerial Accounting	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	
BLAW 322	Commercial Law Transactions	3			
ACCT 370	Forensic Accounting	3			
ACCT 372	Forensic Accounting 2	3			
ACCT 414	Financial Accounting Theory	3			
ACCT 461	Governmental Accounting	3			
Elective	300 Level Business Elective	3			
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Additional Requirements – 14 Credits Required. An internship is highly recommended for one of the Free Elective courses. Credits over 120 can be applied to the 150 hours. These courses are not used to calculate the major 2.00 GPA requirement.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	SMC Equiv.	SMC Course Title	SMC Cr. Hrs.
ISYS 105	Introduction Micro Systems – Software	3	ISYS 110	Intro to Computer Technology	3
COMM 221 or COMM 251 or COMM 332 or COMM 336	Small Group Decision Making or Argumentation & Debate or Persuasive Speaking or Tech & Prof Presentation	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
Electives	Varies	8	Varies	Varies	8
Total Credits Required for Degree					120-121

No more than 90 credits may be transferred from the community college to Ferris State University.

Program Delivery Locations and Contact Information:**Main Campus, Big Rapids****College of Business**

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Ferris Statewide – Dowagiac

(269) 782-1214 | ferrissw@ferris.edu | www.ferris.edu/statewide | [Financial Aid Consortium Eligible](#)

Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location).

General Admission Criteria

New Student Admission Requirements for incoming freshman refer to the Ferris Catalog www.ferris.edu/catalog

Transfer Students

- Combined college or university GPA of 2.35 (on a 4.00 scale) from all institutions attended. GPA based on completion of 12 credit hours or more. Developmental courses will not be considered in computing the GPA requirement.
- Transfer equivalency for Ferris State University's ENGL 150 or placement during the first semester at Ferris State University which would require an English ACT score of 16 or higher; or ERW SAT score of 450 or higher; or English Accuplacer score of 6 or higher.
- Transfer equivalency for Ferris State University's MATH 114 or 115 or placement during the first semester at Ferris State University which would require a Math ACT score of 19 or higher; Math SAT of 500 or higher; or Math Accuplacer scores: Elementary Algebra score 75 or higher and College Level Math 0 to 49.

Degree Completion at the Community College through Ferris Statewide

- Minimum 48 transferable credit hours (C or higher) from an accredited college or university.

Steps to Apply

- Complete a free application at www.ferris.edu/apply.
 - Submit Official transcripts from every school attended to transfer@ferris.edu or
 - Ferris State University Admissions Office, 1201 S. State St, CSS 201, Big Rapids, MI 49307
- Submit Test Scores (if required)
 - ACT Scores; go to www.act.org. Ferris State University School Code: 1994
 - SAT, CLEP and AP Scores; go to www.collegeboard.org. Ferris State University School Code: 1222

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for selection of Directed Electives.

Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. **Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes.** Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to effective and/or revised date on the bottom of this guide and the Ferris Catalog at www.ferris.edu/catalog.

Partners may contact the Transfer Services Center with questions or updates at transferguidesarticulations@ferris.edu.