

CPA 150 APPRENTICESHIP CERTIFICATE

Overview

The CPA 150 Apprenticeship certificate program, also known as the Rider University CPA Apprenticeship program (RUCPA), complements the existing accounting curriculum. It provides an alternative for those who may not wish to commit to a master's degree but want to attain the additional thirty hours of college credit required to obtain the Certified Public Accountant designation while working in accounting. The courses provide real-world, practical experience highly relevant to the accounting profession, ensuring that graduates are academically qualified with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their roles as accountants and CPAs.

Certificate Offered

- CPA Apprenticeship Certificate

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Program Requirements

(24 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
Select four of the following courses:		24
CPA 001	Application of Accounting, Auditing, and Tax Principles	
CPA 002	Technology Applications for Accounting, Auditing, and Taxation	
CPA 003	Ethical and Professional Behavior	
CPA 004	Effective Engagement with Diverse Stakeholders	
CPA 005	Time Management and Professional Productivity	

Courses and Descriptions

CPA 001 Application of Accounting, Auditing, and Tax Principles 6 Credits

This course provides the student with a semester long supervised employment with participating companies, focusing on the application of foundational accounting principles, preparation of financial statements, participation in auditing and assurance processes, and taxation proficiency. Students are evaluated periodically by senior staff members of the participating firms and required to complete a work journal, self-assessment, and reflection paper. Credits earned cannot be applied to any degree program. Grading is on a pass/fail basis.

CPA 002 Technology Applications for Accounting, Auditing, and Taxation 6 Credits

This course provides the student with a semester long supervised employment with participating companies, focusing on the application and use of technology for work experience in accounting principles, preparation of financial statements, participation in auditing and assurance processes, and taxation proficiency. Students are evaluated periodically by senior staff members of the participating firms and required to complete a work journal, self-assessment, and reflection paper. Credits earned cannot be applied to any degree program. Grading is on a pass/fail basis.

CPA 003 Ethical and Professional Behavior 6 Credits

This course provides the student with a semester long supervised employment with participating companies, focusing on the application of skills related to ethical and professional behavior. Students are evaluated periodically by senior staff members of the participating firms and required to complete a work journal, self-assessment, and reflection paper. Credits earned cannot be applied to any degree program. Grading is on a pass/fail basis.

CPA 004 Effective Engagement with Diverse Stakeholders 6 Credits

This course provides the student with a semester long supervised employment with participating companies, focusing on the application of skills related to effective collaboration and communication with diverse stakeholders. Students are evaluated periodically by senior staff members of the participating firms and required to complete a work journal, self-assessment and reflection paper. Credits earned cannot be applied to any degree program. Grading is on a pass/fail basis.

CPA 005 Time Management and Professional Productivity 6 Credits

This course is dedicated to developing and applying effective time management skills in the context of accounting practices. Through hands-on apprenticeship placements, participants will explore strategies for optimizing time, setting priorities, and enhancing productivity in the demanding field of accounting. Students are evaluated periodically by senior staff members of the participating firms and required to complete a work journal, self-assessment and reflection paper. Credits earned cannot be applied to any degree program. Grading is on a pass/fail basis.