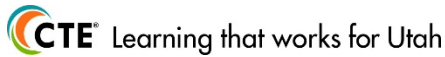


# Utah Career and Technical Education Career Pathway

## 2019-2020 School Year



**CTSO Information**  
 Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) align with the national Career Clusters® and the Utah CTE Career Pathways.

FBLA is the CTSO for students in the Accounting and Financial Operations Career Pathway. FBLA provides students with opportunities for leadership, community involvement, and career development.

**Workforce Trends**  
 Accountants, those with a CPA, continue to be in demand in both public and private industry audit and tax specialties. Demand is especially high in the tax and healthcare areas.

In Utah, the average annual employment growth rate for accountants and auditors is 3.3 percent through the year 2026.

### Career Cluster: Business, Finance & Marketing

#### Career Pathway: Accounting & Financial Operations

CORE CODE	FOUNDATION COURSES (required)	CREDITS	
32.02.00.00.010	<a href="#">Accounting 1</a>	.50	1.00 credit
32.02.00.00.020	<a href="#">Accounting 2</a>	.50	
32.02.00.00.030	<a href="#">Advanced Accounting</a>	1.00	
ELECTIVE COURSES			
32.02.00.00.110	<a href="#">Business Communication 1</a>	.50	2.00 credits
32.02.00.00.111	<a href="#">Business Communication 2</a>	.50	
32.02.00.00.130	<a href="#">Business Law</a>	.50	
32.02.00.00.140	<a href="#">Business Management</a>	.50	
32.01.00.00.001	<a href="#">Business Math and Personal Finance **</a>	1.00	
32.02.00.00.216	<a href="#">Business Office Specialist</a>	.50	
32.02.00.00.200	<a href="#">Economics</a>	.50	
32.02.00.00.070	<a href="#">Exploring Business and Marketing</a>	.50	
37.01.00.00.220	<a href="#">Real Estate</a>	.50	
37.01.00.00.240	<a href="#">Retailing</a>	.50	
41.00.00.00.050	<a href="#">CTE Internship</a>	.50	3.00 credits for completion
41.00.00.00.030	<a href="#">Workplace Skills</a>	.50	

\*\* This course satisfies the .50 Financial Literacy requirement.  
 Foundation courses taken beyond the required credits can be used as elective credit.

**Career and Technical Education provides all students access to high-quality, rigorous career-focused programs that result in attainment of credentials with labor market value.**

**Accounting & Financial Operations is:**  
 > In-demand

**Sample Occupations Requiring:**  
[High School Diploma](#)  
 > Accounting and Audit Clerk  
 > Bookkeeper  
 > Tax Preparer

[Certificate](#)  
 > N/A

[Assoc. or Technical Degree](#)  
 > N/A

[Baccalaureate Degree](#)  
 > Accountant  
 > Auditor  
 > Career and Technical Education Teacher  
 > Financial Manager  
 > Loan Officer  
 > Tax Examiner

[Graduate or Prof. Degree](#)  
 > Certified Public Accountant

**Student Testimonial**  
 "Because of my CTE Internship, I am going to be more prepared when I go into the field of accounting. I will be able to understand and apply it to real hands-on learning experiences. To be taught and learn some of the basics of QuickBooks and apply it by doing real accounting for business and people has been an amazing learning experience."  
 Brayden Austin

### HIGH SCHOOL TO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

There are a number of options for education and training beyond high school, depending on your career goals.

<b>12th Grade</b>	<b>1-Year Certificate</b>	<b>2-Year Associate or Technical Degree</b>	<b>4-Year Bachelor's Degree</b>	<b>More Graduate or Prof. Degree</b>
Certificates are awarded upon the successful completion of a brief course of study, usually one year or less. Upon completion of a course of study, a certificate does not require any further action to retain.  In high school a variety of certificates can be earned.		An academic degree is an award for the completion of a program or course of study over multiple years at postsecondary education institutions.  In 2016-2017, 74 percent of secondary students who concentrated in a CTE Career Pathway placed in postsecondary education, advanced training, military service or employment (October 1-December 31).		

**Utah Business and Industry Facts**  
 In Utah, a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) must have a master's degree in accounting and be licensed. The license must be renewed every two years.  
 According to the Utah Department of Workforce Services, the median hourly wage for an experienced auditor and an accountant is \$30.22.

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**CTE Credentials of Value**  
 In 2017-2018, 112,867 CTE Skill Certifications were awarded to secondary students and 19,189 third-party certifications were earned by secondary students.

In 2017-2018, the graduation rate for students who concentrated in a CTE Career Pathway was 95 percent, compared to Utah's statewide graduation rate of 87 percent.