



Curriculum Guide

Accounting Careers: Limitless Opportunities

COURSE MISSION

Empower students of all backgrounds to pursue their professional and personal goals with accounting.

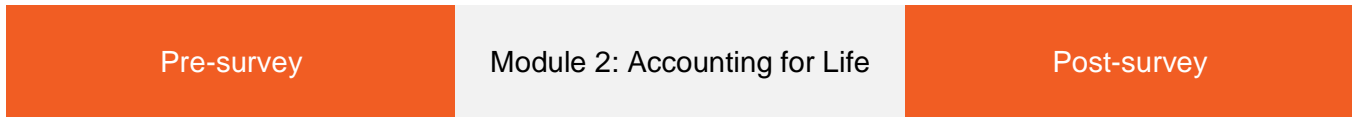
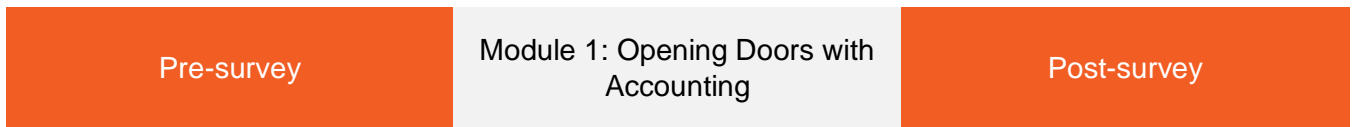
COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Accounting Careers: Limitless Opportunities course aims to raise student awareness about the diversity of careers available with accounting and the benefits of using accounting skills in daily life. A large focus of this course includes encouraging students traditionally underrepresented in accounting to pursue accounting or a related career. To accomplish these goals, the course covers the variety of accounting-related careers, long-term career paths and opportunities, and how accounting skills are relevant to their professional and personal lives.

COURSE OVERVIEW

TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
Accounting Careers	Students will learn about the many career paths available to those who study accounting, including traditional and nontraditional paths.
Pursuing Careers	Students will learn about the steps involved in pursuing career paths, starting in high school, to college and internships, early career, mid career, and late career.
Business Accounting Skills	Students will learn about the importance of accounting skills in starting and running a business.
Personal Accounting Skills	Students will learn about the importance of accounting skills in achieving personal financial goals and making smarter financial decisions.

COURSE STRUCTURE



The modules can be taken in any order or by themselves.

Each module is accompanied by offline lesson plans and discussion guides to use in the classroom.

DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE

Module 1: Opening Doors with Accounting

This module introduces students to the many career opportunities available with accounting and how accounting can help them follow their passions.

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to...

- Understand that modern accounting requires technical, interpersonal, and analytical skills, which are desirable in a variety of careers and industries.
- Compare their own hobbies, interests, and passions to the careers available to those with an accounting background.
- Evaluate specific ways in which accounting can help them achieve their career goals.

ACTIVITY TOPIC	ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION
Setting the Scene	This activity introduces students to the main characters of the module and sets the scene for the accounting career fair the characters will attend.
The Truth About Accounting	This module informs students about what it takes to be an accountant, dispels some common myths, and presents how they can use their passions or hobbies in an accounting career.
Accounting Professionals	Through the narrative of two professional accountant characters, students learn more about how to pursue an accounting career and the daily life of an accountant.
Taking Action	Students are given a summary of the learning along with action items for planning their career.

Module 2: Accounting for Life

This module introduces students to how accounting skills can help them start a successful business and achieve their personal financial goals.

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to...

- Understand that accounting is a life skill that the average person uses daily.
- Identify key accounting skills that are relevant to their personal and professional lives.
- Connect their financial goals to accounting skills that can help them achieve those goals.

ACTIVITY TOPIC	ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION
Setting the Scene	This activity introduces students to the main characters of the module and sets the scene for a day of job shadowing.
Accounting Skills in Business	Students learn more about how accounting skills can help them start and run a successful business.
Accounting Skills in Life	Students learn more about how accounting skills can help them achieve financial goals and make smarter financial decisions.
Taking Action	Students are given a summary of the learning along with action items for gaining accounting skills.