PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY
BA (Hons)

ARE YOU STIRLING?
The Bachelor of Arts in Professional Accountancy is a 3-year honours degree designed for students holding advanced qualifications, who wish to pursue a career in accountancy. The degree provides significant exemption from the professional examinations of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants (ACCA), the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), the Association of International Accountants (AIA) and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA).

By studying towards this degree, you will learn that accountancy involves the preparation and interpretation of financial information to enable investors, lenders, management, employees, government and others to make financial decisions.

WHY STUDY PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY?
This degree course is particularly attractive as it provides an excellent foundation towards establishing a career in professional accountancy, whilst simultaneously gaining a university degree and acquiring useful transferable skills such as communication skills and research skills.

ACCOUNTING IN STIRLING RANKS IN THE TOP 15 IN THE UK
Time and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018

REASONS TO CHOOSE THIS COURSE

1 ACCREDITATION
It offers the opportunity to graduate with an accredited honours degree in three years.

2 RANKING
We’re ranked in the top 5 in Scotland and top 15 in the UK for Accounting and Finance (Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018).

3 EXPERT TEACHING TEAM
Your lecturers are experts in their field, with many having significant industrial experience.

COURSE DETAILS
In the first year of the degree you will study a series of core modules to give you a grounding for subsequent stages of more advanced studies. These core modules will be in Financial Accounting, Management Accounting, Finance, Economics, and Business and Corporate Law.

In subsequent years, you develop a more critical and analytical approach to your studies. You will take modules in Advanced Financial Accounting, Accounting Information and Employment, and Applied Management Accounting, together with modules in Personal Financial Planning, Quantitative Methods, International Finance, and Financial Analysis, plus modules in Auditing, and Taxation. Higher-level skills of critical evaluation, analysis and synthesis are extended in the modules Issues in Accountancy and Critical Analysis of Accountancy and Finance. There will be numerous opportunities to develop your work-related skills at every stage of your studies.
CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Accountancy offers a wide choice of careers with organisations in every field, from healthcare and sport to charities and local and national governments. Careers include financial and management accounting, auditing, taxation, consultancy and financial services.

ACREDITATIONS:
We have accreditation with several professional accountancy bodies including:

- CIPFA
- ACCA
- AIA
- CIMA

GENERAL
The BA (Hons) degree in Professional Accountancy is a three-year Honours degree; please note that it is NOT accredited by ICAS (Institute of Chartered Accountants in Scotland). Students wishing to obtain an ICAS accredited degree should register for the BAcc (Hons) in Accountancy or the BAcc (Hons) Accountancy and Finance degrees.

PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv Highers:
ABB
GCE A-levels:
ABB
IB Diploma:
35

Essential subjects:
Preference given to those with Mathematics.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded units.
English, Welsh and NI HNC/D:
Minimum entry:
Merits and Distinctions

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply. Please visit: stir.ac.uk/av
Mathematics National 5 (B), Intermediate 2 (C), Standard Grade (3), GCSE (C/4) or equivalent required.

PART TIME OPTION AVAILABLE
## TYPICAL TIMETABLE

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## COMPULSORY MODULES

| ACCU9A1: | Accounting 1                                          |
| ACCU9L1: | Business and Corporate Law                             |
| FINU9F3: | Finance 1                                              |
| ACCU9A2: | Accounting 2                                            |
| ECNU115: | Introductory economics                                  |
| ACCU9A4: | External reporting                                     |
| FINU9PE: | Personal financial planning                            |
| ACCU9AE: | Accounting information and employment                  |
| FINU9QE: | Quantitative methods                                   |
| ACCU9MS: | Applied management accounting                          |
| ACCU9TX: | Taxation                                               |
| FINU9F3: | Finance 2                                              |
| ACCU9AA: | Advanced financial accounting                          |
| ACCU9IS: | Issues in accounting                                   |
| FINU9FB: | International finance                                  |
| ACCU9A6: | Audit                                                  |
| ACCU9CA: | Critical analysis of accounting and finance issues     |
| FINU9SS: | Financial analysis                                     |

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