

# ACCOUNTING CERTIFICATE

## Program Description

Accounting is one of today's fast-growing professions, with numerous career path options. This certificate program will help you establish an in-depth understanding of foundational accounting principles and how to apply them in practice. In the courses, you will construct and interpret accounts of revenue, accounts receivable, inventory, assets, long-term debt, and equity. You will have the opportunity to examine the rules for financial statements and learn how the field of financial accounting has evolved over time to meet the needs of businesses. This understanding of core financial accounting principles will enable you to independently analyze an organization's financial standing and viability as well as understand when organizations are using gaps in accounting rules to their financial advantage.

Upon completion of the program, you will be able to converse confidently in the language of finance and present a company's financial performance to internal stakeholders as well as investors, creditors, suppliers, and customers. This knowledge will help you inform the strategic decision-making process using concise and relevant financial data appropriate to your audience in any industry.

Please note this program references US Financial Accounting guidelines. As such, all forms may not be exact for those who reside or conduct business outside the United States, however the principles remain the same.

## Key Takeaways

- Read and speak with authority about financial statements
- Utilize reports to evaluate a company's financial position, performance and prospects
- Construct and interpret accounts of revenue, accounts receivable, inventory, long-lived assets, long-term debt, and equity
- Explain accounting guidelines, along with the conceptual framework on which these standards are based, rules for accounts, and why they are necessary
- Identify when organizations are using gaps in accounting rules to their financial advantage

## What You'll Earn

- Accounting Certificate from Cornell SC Johnson College of Business
- 56 Professional Development Hours (5.6 CEUs)

## Who Should Enroll

- Individuals seeking to enter the field of accounting or auditing
- Managers involved in financial forecasting and investments
- Entrepreneurs seeking investors or investment opportunities
- Pre-MBA students interested in gaining an accounting background

## Total Investment

- 2 months to complete all the courses

## How to Enroll

For more information on how to enroll, please visit Accounting Certificate (<https://ecornell.cornell.edu/certificates/financial-management/accounting/>).

## Courses

Code	Title	Hours
eCornell CORE111	Foundations of Financial Statements	0
eCornell CORE112	Accruals and Cash Flows	0
eCornell CORE113	Sales Accounting	0
eCornell CORE114	Investments, Capital and Financial Forecasting	0