

HONORS IN THE BS/MPA ACCOUNTING PROGRAM

Upon successful completion of the BS/MPA Accounting In-Course Honors program, the student's transcript and diploma will certify that graduation is with "Department Honors". In the competitive search for jobs and admission to graduate schools, this designation marks the Honors graduate as an exceptionally talented and dedicated person.

ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAM

The student:

- Must be a member of the University Honors Program.
- Must be a declared Accounting BS/MPA major
- Must have completed 60 hours of college coursework.
- Must have a minimum cumulative ISU GPA of 3.30 (A = 4.00) and a 3.50 in Accounting courses.

Probationary admission will be granted to students who do not meet the 3.50 Accounting GPA requirement, but have an Accounting GPA of 3.30 or higher.

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM

The student:

- May sign up at the beginning of any semester before completion of the "senior" year or 4th year of the BS/MPA program. Go to the Honors Program website <http://www.honors.ilstu.edu/> for application information.
- Contact Diane Skidmore, Departmental Advisor, COB 129B for more details.

PROBATION / DISMISSAL

Cause for Probation:

- Probation status in the University Honors Program, or
- Accounting GPA of 3.30 or higher, BUT less than the required 3.50 GPA.

Cause for Dismissal:

- Not a member of the University Honors Program, or
- Accounting GPA less than 3.30.

SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION

The graduating student:

- Must have a 3.30 overall GPA at Illinois State University.
- Must have a 3.50 GPA in all Accounting courses.
- Must have completed all honors requirements before completion of the "senior" year or 4th year of the BS/MPA program.
- Must have completed TWO of the following courses designated as "In-Course Honors" with a grade of "A" or "B".
 - ✓ ACC 230 – Cost and Management Accounting
 - ✓ ACC 231 – Intermediate Accounting I
 - ✓ ACC 232 – Intermediate Accounting II
 - ✓ ACC 233 – Federal Income Taxation
 - ✓ ACC 235 – Auditing
 - ✓ ACC 332 – Advanced Managerial Accounting
 - ✓ ACC 337 – Advanced Financial Accounting
 - ✓ ACC 430 – Financial Accounting Theory
- Must have completed the Internship program in the Department of Accounting designated as "In-Course Honors" with a grade of "A" or "B" – ACC 398 or ACC 498 for the BS/MPA PA Sequence and ACC 498 for the BS/MPA IS Sequence. Requirements include a ten-page paper. (see the Accounting Department Internship Coordinator for details)