

Certified Public Accountant

ranked 6th in CNNMoney.com's survey of careers based on
Earning potential
Growth prospects
Meaningful work

What is Accounting?

Keeping track of the money goes
Balancing checkbooks
Budgeting

Who is an Accountant?

Math skills
Organized
Detail oriented

Certified Public Accountant

College degree (150 credits)
Pass an exam
Two years work experience
Continuing education classes

What can I do?

Variety of jobs
Work part-time
Form own business
Work for someone else

Forensic Accounting

Fraud detection
Expert witness
Bankruptcy experts
Matrimonial advisors

Government Accounting

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
Department of Defense (DOD)

Entertainment

Budget for music or film studio
Tabulate Oscar votes
Finance director at local theater

Sports

Payroll manager for your favorite team
Advise operations of team gift shop
Prepare tax returns for big name sports figure

International Work

Travel
Inventory

Public Accounting

Prepare taxes – individuals & businesses
Audit – review recordkeeping
Assist with bookkeeping
Advise clients

Scandal! The Fraud Triangle

Incentive
Opportunity
Rationalization

Networking

Meet with bankers and lawyers
Meet with lawmakers
Attend Chamber of Commerce functions
Attend Accounting seminars

Job Choices

Detail oriented

Organized

Good communication skills

Is Accounting for You?

Do you enjoy meeting with and working with new people?

Do you want a college education that will provide you with a variety of career options?

Do you want a career that is financially rewarding and offers the chance for advancement?

Do you want a rewarding career where you can see the results of your work?

Scholarships are available:

New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA)

www.njscpa.org/students

Mercer County Chapter, NJSCPA

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