Do you want to be a leader of a firm and able to make decisions that create value? Do you like analyzing the potential financial success of new projects? Are you curious how to gather, distribute, and keep track of financial resources? Do you want to learn how companies from small to big work financially? Do you like money? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, the concentration in Corporate Accounting and Finance may be for you.

Corporate accounting and finance are some of the most important roles in business. Whether building a company to save the world, provide a service or a new product, finance and accounting are essential! Understanding how to obtain capital, distribute funds, manage cash flow, evaluate competing projects, and run a firm from a financial perspective is a necessity. This concentration will teach you how to build, provide, analyze and interpret valuable financial information.

What CAF Students will learn
Every firm needs employees who understand finance and accounting. This unique concentration is designed for students who are attracted to both accounting and finance, and are interested in career opportunities in corporations. Students learn how to measure and interpret accounting, finance and economic data to make sound financial decisions.

CORPORATE ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE
CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENT

Core Classes
Accounting
- Accounting Information Systems
- Intermediate Accounting I
- Intermediate Accounting II
- Management Accounting and Control Systems

Finance
- Financial Institutions and Markets
- Financial Management: Theory and Policy
- Problems in Financial Management

Elective Classes
- Advanced AIS and IS Risk Assessment
- Tax Factors of Business and Investment Decision
- Forensic Accounting
- Special Financial Reporting Topics
- Advanced Accounting
- Honors Practicum in Corporate Financial Management
  and more
Career Opportunities in Corporate Accounting and Finance

The Corporate Accounting and Finance curriculum at SJSU significantly enhances the attractiveness of its graduates to corporate finance groups as entry-level hires. In the long-term, the concentration positions students to compete for roles in senior management. Career opportunities include controller, treasury, and chief financial officer for Silicon Valley firms.

Career paths in Corporate Accounting and Finance include positions such as:
- Financial analyst
- Credit analyst
- Corporate treasury
- Profit and Loss analyst
- Internal auditor
- Cost accountant

I liked my classes in accounting and finance. I decided a combination of the two would let me learn the best of both - and have opportunities for a great career!

—Corporate Accounting and Finance Student

The Financial Management Association (FMA)

FMA provides its members with increased knowledge of business through professional, educational, and social development opportunities. It also bridges the gap among business executives, the community, faculty, and students; striving to serve as an interface between students and business executives within the Silicon Valley. Information can be found at www.sjsufma.com

The Institute for Management Accountants (IMA)

IMA is a worldwide association of accounting professionals working and studying within the business industry. IMA’s main goal is to promote and develop professional and personal skills of its members. IMA provides the opportunity for students to become leaders, to work together as a team toward a common goal, and to develop problem-solving skills. For more information see: www.sjsuima.org

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