



Forensic Accounting Minor

The forensic accounting minor at Indiana State University provides the necessary professional expertise that is fraud examination and financial forensics. The students' knowledge and skills are developed from best practices in forensic accounting, financial forensics and the prevention, deterrence, detection, investigation, and remediation of fraud. ***This minor is open to all majors.*** The forensic accounting minor will appeal to criminology majors interested in a career in deterring money laundering and white collar crime as well as Scott College of Business majors who are interested in being able to detect and prevent fraud. For accounting majors, fraud examination is an inherent part of the audit function, and this minor provides specialized knowledge and tools.

Careers

The forensic accounting minor at ISU prepares students for the **CFE (Certified Fraud Examiner)** certification, which includes the topics of :

Forensic Accountants Work For:

- Public Accounting Firms
- Financial Institutions
- Insurance Companies
- Consulting Firms
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Government Organizations



What do forensic accounts do?

- Economic damages calculations, whether suffered through tort or breach of contract.
- Post-acquisition disputes such as earnouts or breaches of warranties
- Bankruptcy, insolvency, and reorganization
- Securities fraud
- Tax fraud
- Money laundering
- Business valuation
- Computer forensics/e-discovery
- Marital and family law claims
- Professional negligence claims

Student Involvement

Beta Alpha Psi, the national professional fraternity for financial information professionals, is active on campus and in the community. Through this fraternity students participate in community service, network with industry professionals, and attend workshops. Extensive professional development opportunities are available to students free of charge through ISU's Meis Center. Qualified students can participate in paid opportunities to mentor other students through the Scott College of Business supplemental instruction program.

Scholarships

Several scholarships and financial awards are available to Scott College of Business majors and minors. For more information, go to: www.indstate.edu/business/scholarships.

Curriculum

The minor in forensic accounting is a joint partnership with the department of criminology. The minor consists of eighteen hours (6 courses), 4 courses in accounting and 2 courses in criminology. It is open to all majors on campus. The minor in forensic accounting is a combination of web-based and face-to-face courses.

Alumni Spotlight



Amber Williams Swain is currently a staff accountant at Dauby O'Connor & Zaleski, a public accounting firm, where she performs audits of financial institutions, manufacturing facilities, and employee benefit plans. Williams was awarded the Indiana CPA Society's Outstanding Accounting Major Award in 2008. In addition to an accounting major, Williams also minored in forensic accounting and marketing, graduating in 2008.



Maulik Khatadia, currently works as a staff accountant for Sponsel CPA Group. Previously, Khatadia worked as an Assistant Hall Director for the Office of Residential Life at ISU, supervising 15 Academic Peer Advocates and helping with first year student transition to college academics. He also was an entry level auditor for Ernst & Young, a Big 4 global accounting firm. He graduated from ISU in 2006 with a major in accounting and minor in forensic accounting and his MBA in 2009.



April Huey is currently a senior financial analyst with Indiana University Health in Indianapolis, IN. Previously, she worked as a senior auditor at BKD, LLP and was an accounting intern at Larry E Nunn & Associates. She is a Certified Public Accountant and is currently a member of the Scott College of Business Young Professionals Board.

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