

**Accounting**

2011-12 proved to be another great year for the Department of Accountancy and Information Systems with respect to student job placements.

Full-time accounting graduate job opportunities have not declined in demand with the economy. As of graduation, 87% of the 129 graduating accounting majors—nearly 98%—sought an accounting job that had been secured. Eighty-three percent of students were employed with international CPA firms at the remaining 7% were working as sole owners, regional CPA firms. The department is actively assisting the remaining five students (17%) to secure a position.

Junior-year position secured students in the 2012 Spring Accounting Internship Program (ASAP). These students were spread across the firms, with 28 still working at international firms and the others working at regional CPA firms. A total of 44 of these students graduated with public accounting majors or MIS with one of their majors.

Management Information Systems

Reports from the job front for our MIS Majors are also quite positive. A total of 26 students graduated with either MIS majors or MIS with one of their majors. Nine students are employed as full-time MIS students secured a position and will be working. Among the top firms, these students are getting to grad school, two students are seeking MIS positions, and one student is working in a MIS position. All 24 of these students accepted a full-time offer, and 17 will be working in the MIS industry.

Those who work in MIS capacity or two international accounting firms demand this MIS degree. An MIS student who is counting on his MIS degree, in addition to his MIS degree, will gain technical skills, as well as his MIS degree. A complete MIS student will work for Apple, Inc. in California.

**Job Placement Remains High Among Accounting, MIS, and MAC Students**

**Accounting Society—Members in Good Standing**

The following Accounting Society members have got their first formal this semester. They had fulfilled all necessary requirements, including paying annual dues and attending several society events. Thank you for all your efforts and for helping to continue to improve the Department of Accountancy and Information Systems.

- **2012 Class of 2012**
  - Jean Warwick
  - Jeffery Parker
  - Jennifer Milne
  - Robert Kremen
  - Matthew Locals
  - Martin Rice
  - Patrick Wilke
  - Ryan Nethercut
  - Teri O'Regan
  - Murray Fraise
  - Michael Gillis
  - Rhonda Asberry
  - Christine Surabian

- **2012 Class of 2013**
  - Ryan Chesterton
  - Robert Grant
  - Matthew Santorillo
  - Marissa D'Ambrosio
  - Justin Knoebel
  - Tiffany Savich
  - Moania Wilks
  - Marisa Lovallo
  - Lauren Ronan
  - Kristen Svenconis
  - Jennifer Milde
  - Jeffrey Fischer
  - Jason Laicha
  - James Waterman

Finally, we bid farewell to one of our esteemed colleagues, Kenneth Hiltebeitel, who is retiring this year. While we will miss Ken as our teacher, mentor, friend, and co-worker, his last lesson touched with the students who have taken this course will always be memorable. Thank you for all of your efforts and for helping to continue to improve the Department of Accountancy and Information Systems.

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Chair, Department of Accountancy & Information Systems
Villanova School of Business
Ronald Dukes Presented With PICPA Award

Frank E. Duke, 12 VSB won the 2012 PICPA (Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants) Outstanding Student/Young Professional Award. This award recognizes students for their achievements in academic, experiential, professional and community service in accounting, and demonstrates a desire to continue in the accounting field. Dukes was a Pennsylvania College of Technology senior, majoring in business administration major, minor in accounting.

In 2009, Dukes accepted a full-time job offer with KPMG in Philadelphia. In addition to his career success, Dukes is a certified public accountant in Pennsylvania and serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Wawa, a Pennsylvania-based convenience store Unternehmen.

Ron received his undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Temple University in 1968 and 1970, respectively, and a Master of Science in Accounting from Elizabethtown College in 1965, a Master of Business Administration from Temple University, and the Pennsylvania College of Technology senior, majoring in business administration major, minor in accounting.

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