About the major:
Accounting is the field of study which focuses on developing and providing financial information about businesses, including information about the cost of products manufactured or services provided; and about governmental and not-for-profit organizations. The accounting program is designed to provide the student depth of knowledge in accounting and business, and to help develop communication, interpersonal, and critical thinking skills. Careers in accounting include: public and private accounting, financial accounting, government accounting, non-profit organization accounting, managerial accounting, internal auditing, and tax accounting.

Major:
- Accounting (Comprehensive Major)

Required GE or University courses:
General Education (GE) classes should be taken throughout a student's undergraduate program. This will add some variety to the course load in the junior and senior years when most of the business administration and business classes will be taken.

Students should refer to the General Education and College of Business Proficiency Requirements table in the College of Business section of the University Catalog.

Category IA: CJ 202

Category IB: Math 111 or its equivalent; Math 246

Category II: (9 to 12 credits) Students must complete either: two courses from List A, or one course from List A and one course from List B. If a third course is needed, any GE-II course can be used. List A and B can be found in the catalog.

Category III: (9 to 12 credits) ECON 103 and 104 are required as part of the College of Business admission requirements. Students must select a third GE III course from the approved list in the catalog.

Category IV: (minimum 9 credits) No specific courses are required. Students are required to complete courses in two of the five subcategories.

University Requirements: Foreign Language/Culture, Cultural Diversity, Wellness Theory, and Physical Activity. See catalog for specific details.

Minors:
- Accounting
- Audit and Control

Helpful Tips:
- Beta Alpha Psi (BAP) is the National Honor Society in Accounting and Finance. Membership in this fraternity is highly regarded among those in the accounting and finance professions. BAPs goals are to promote close ties with business and to serve the community, faculty, and student body.

- The Student Accounting Society (SAS) gives students the chance to explore the numerous possibilities an accounting career has to offer. Students will meet professionals from many areas of accounting and finance.

- Internships are available and highly encouraged. Internship credits can be earned after admission to the College of Business.

- Business Essentials courses (BSAD 100 – 195) cannot be counted toward any major or minor in the College of Business.
Admission:
College of Business admission criteria: To be eligible for admission, the student must meet all of the following criteria:

- Complete the following five courses with at least a 2.2 Grade Point Average (GPA): **ACCT 201, ACCT 202, ECON 103, ECON 104, IS 240**.
- Present a 2.6 or higher GPA in all undergraduate work completed prior to admission.
  - Transfer students must have at least a 2.0 GPA on all UW-Eau Claire coursework they have completed.
- Complete 54 credits.
- All College of Business majors are required to complete the Student Professional Development Program, a series of four workshops. All workshops must be completed prior to College of Business admission.
  - http://www.uwec.edu/COB/undergraduate/SPDP/index.htm

The Student Professional Development Program is a series of non-credit workshops designed to give business students the skills they need to present themselves in a professional manner throughout their career.

The workshops are a graduation requirement for all College of Business Majors. Students are required to take all four workshops prior to applying for admission to the College of Business. Multiple workshops will be offered in the fall and spring semesters.

For questions about the Student Professional Development program, email spdp@uwec.edu.

College of Business Laptop Initiative:
Students in certain business classes must provide their own laptop when one is required for in-class use. Currently, IS 240, Acct 313, Acct 415, Acct 420, Acct 430, Acct 444 and Acct 460 require laptops.

Courses Not Recommended for the First Semester Freshman Year:
ACCT 201 and IS 240.

Helpful Tips:
Messages for New Majors
Accounting majors need to know that all states have adopted a law which requires 150 semester hours of university course work, including an accounting major, to sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam. Accounting students should meet with their faculty adviser or the department chair to discuss strategies for meeting this requirement. It is not necessary to complete 150 credits for the accounting major; the accounting major requires 120 credits (like all other UWEC majors).

1. A tutor lab is available for students in Acct 201/202 in Schneider 314. Schedules of availability are posted outside Schneider 314.
2. Students majoring in accounting should consider taking courses that would lead to one or more of the Certificate Programs in the College of Business. The College offers Certificate Programs in Advanced Business Communications, Information Technology, Leadership and International Business. Consult with your faculty advisor to determine if one of these programs would benefit you.

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http://www.uwec.edu/COB/departments/accountingfinance/programs/accounting.htm

UW-Eau Claire respects individual differences.
This guide complements rather than substitutes for individual advising.
For instructions about how to declare this major:
http://www.uwec.edu/Registrar/student/chgofmajor/index.htm