Why study Finance and Accounting at Maryville College?

Accounting and finance are core, seamless parts of every business. Accounting represents the “language of business,” and finance is the art of managing available resources like money or investments. Through case study, collaborative projects, journal readings and problem sets, students develop strong critical thinking, analytical and problem-solving skills. Students learn principles of financial reporting and engage in financial analysis. They gain an understanding of the role of money and banking in the economy, as well as the application of budgets and variance analysis in an organization. Through personal attention and small classes, students build a foundation of knowledge and skills that enables them to successfully enter the job market or enter graduate programs in business or accounting.

Jordan Berry ’20
Hometown: Knoxville, Tenn.

Jordan didn’t pick accounting as her major, accounting picked her!

“My first accounting class was the perfect fit for me,” she said. “It gave me the confidence to major in something I knew I would enjoy as a career for many years to come.”

With a career goal of becoming a certified public accountant, Jordan plans to enroll in the University of Tennessee Master of Accountancy program after graduation from MC. She has strengthened her graduate school application with an internship in finance with Dollywood Company and another one in tax accounting with Team Health. She is also a business student liaison for the College’s Partnership Advisory Board.

Connor Davis ’19
Currently: Pursuing Master of Accountancy at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville

While still pursuing his graduate degree and certified public accountant license, Connor has already accepted a permanent position with Whitlock and Company, a local CPA firm, that will begin in the summer of 2020. As an MC student, he interned with the firm in 2018 and 2019.

“As an intern with Whitlock and Company, I learned how the different systems within the company worked,” he said. “Moving forward, my role in the company will expand to preparing tax information and meeting with and finding new clients. Maryville College prepared me well for the master’s program and for my career path. The College taught me how to communicate and apply everything I have learned to each unique situation.”