



Accounting & Financial Services

Industry Information

BRIEF OVERVIEW

Accounting and Financial Services comprise a wide variety of job options. Although each sector within these areas is quite different, all functions require sharp analytical skills, a desire to work with numbers, attention to detail, accuracy, a sense of urgency, spreadsheet skills and an appreciation of all things “financial.”

KEY AREAS WITHIN ACCOUNTING & FINANCIAL SERVICES

- **Accounting:** Auditing, assurance, tax
- **Financial Services:** Asset management, corporate finance, commercial banking, hedge funds, investment banking, private equity, public finance, sales and trading, venture capital
- **Insurance:** Actuarial, underwriting, adjustment, claims, sales
- **Real Estate:** Appraisal, brokerage, finance & underwriting, investments, property management, real estate development, sales

INVOLVEMENT & RESOURCES ON-CAMPUS

- Claremont Accounting Association
- Claremont Women in Business
- CMC Student Investment Fund
- Research Institutes and Centers

ACTION ITEMS

- Meet with one of our highly trained *Career Coaches* or *Career Consultants* to learn how to start the conversation with alumni or parents.
- Update your profile in *Handshake* to ensure that your interest cluster is filled out so you can stay informed about current opportunities in Accounting & Financial Services.
- Connect on *LinkedIn* with CMC alumni who work in Accounting & Financial Services.
- Research the *Alumni Career Contacts Directory* to start the conversation with CMC alumni or parents in the industry via an informational interview.
- Apply to the *New York Networking Trek* sponsored by RDS and FEI (January during Winter Break).
- Join any club on campus and become the Finance Chair.
- Read the *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post* and/or *Financial Times* daily.
- Familiarize yourself with the *Morningstar* and *Bloomberg* applications, which are used to research and analyze equities and markets.
- Take an *accounting class* (financial accounting if possible).