# **Wider Subject Choice**

Curro values each learner's unique interests and life goals, empowering them to pursue their passions. With our innovative approach to education through our wider subject choice offering, Curro Choice, we offer a range of diverse subjects to all Curro high school learners in order for them to customise and personalise their educational journey.

## ACCOUNTING

Available to: Grades 10 to 12 learners (IEB and NSC)

#### **O AN OVERVIEW**

Accounting is the language of business and enables you to tell the story of a business (about its performance and future) to an audience. Accounting is also relevant to your everyday activities, as we all use money to purchase goods and services. We all need a budget, and we all need to understand our own personal finances.

If you intend to follow any Bachelor of Commerce university course, it is in your best interests to have Accounting as a subject. The failure rate for first-year students without Accounting is high. Accounting introduces many practical aspects of finance. Even if you study a different course, for instance medicine, you still need to be able to handle and understand your finances. The profession and the subject can no longer be considered as only for 'bean counters'. The reality is that the majority of accountants work in a business environment, which requires them to handle a broad range of responsibilities beyond taxes, including financial planning, analysis, forecasting, internal controls and decision support. Accountants are expected to be trusted advisors who can interpret the numbers to direct corporate strategy.

#### O CAREER PATHS

Possible careers include being a chartered accountant, financial accountant, actuary, agricultural economist, banker, financial manager, business economist, business manager, sports/recreation manager, tax consultant, tourism/hotel manager, trader, risk analyst, investment analyst, internal auditor, information manager/programmer/systems analyst, legal adviser, marketing manager or human resources manager.



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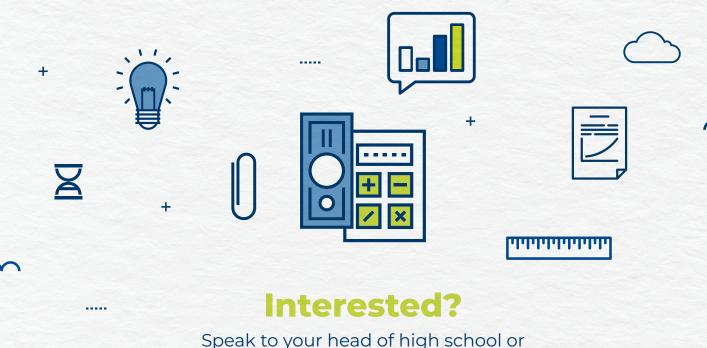
#### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM THIS PROGRAMME

#### Studying Accounting teaches important life skills:

- Critical thinking: Learning how to think clearly and logically in order to make the correct financial decisions.
- Self-discipline: If you do not handle your money in a disciplined manner, your financial position could deteriorate, and you could end up bankrupt.
- Accuracy: If you are not accurate in, for example, determining cost prices, you are going to make a loss in your business.
- Learning to be analytical: You have to analyse your results to make decisions regarding the future of your own financial position.
- Communication skills: In order for you to effectively deal with others, you have to communicate clearly, which is a skill Accounting demands.
- Problem-solving related to ethical scenarios: How does my decision as a business affect my community?

### O CURRO'S ACCOUNTING PROGRAMME ALSO INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING

- Participation in national olympiads
- Research on accounting practices and principles are incorporated in tasks such as 'Makro vs Takealot: inventory management'
- Grade 12 learners participate in a business simulation called 'Banango Traders', hosted by the Johannesburg School of Finance



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