

Norwalk Community College Continuing Education & Workforce Development National Bookkeeping Certification Preparation

The National Bookkeeping Certificate Program is designed to prepare students to take the National Certified Bookkeeper exams.

The American Institute of Professional Bookkeepers (AIPB) has established a professional certification, the Certified Bookkeeper (CB) credential, a high professional standard for bookkeepers. The three required courses focus on preparing for the National Certified Bookkeeper exams. Students will obtain the knowledge to master the skills required for certification, which include adjusting and correcting entries (accruals and deferrals); basic book and tax depreciation; basic payroll (paying wages, withholding, depositing and reporting taxes) using the basic forms (W-2, 941, 940, etc.); recording and costing out merchandise inventory, and internal controls and fraud prevention. Upon successful completion of each course, students should take the appropriate National Bookkeeping Certification examination. Students will be awarded a Certificate of Completion upon successful completion of the below courses.

Required Courses	Total <u>Hours</u>	Total Session	Tuition*	<u>Textbook</u>
1. Mastering, Correcting, and Adjusting Entries	20	10	\$399	Additional Fee
2. Mastering Depreciation and Payroll	24	12	\$359	Additional Fee
3. Mastering Inventory, Internal Controls, and Fraud Prevention	18	9	\$359	Additional Fee

^{*}Tuition subject to change.

Course Descriptions

Students with no prior bookkeeping experience must take Bookkeeping Practices (non-credit) or Principles of Accounting (credit).

Bookkeeping Practices

Bookkeeping plays an essential role in the operation of every successful business. This course covers accounting concepts and practices that underlie all accounting systems (manual and software based). Students receive an introduction to the entire accounting cycle: transaction analysis, preparation of journals, ledgers, and trial balances, and financial statements, including the Balance Sheet and Income Statement, and Statement of Owner's Equity.

Bookkeeping Practices (Continued)

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20	20	\$359	Additional Fee

Mastering, Correcting, and Adjusting Entries

This course covers everything students need to know for error corrections, bank reconciliation, accruals and deferrals.

Prerequisite: Bookkeeping Practices (non-credit), Principles of Accounting (credit), Financial Accounting (credit), or on-the-job bookkeeping experience.

Mastering Depreciation and Payroll

This course covers everything students need to know about paying wages, withholding, depositing and reporting taxes, correct use of government forms, depreciation on financial statements, straight-line, GAAP, production method, etc.

Prerequisite: Bookkeeping Practices (non-credit), Principles of Accounting (credit), Financial Accounting (credit), or on-thejob bookkeeping experience.

Mastering Inventory, Internal Controls, and Fraud Prevention

This covers everything students need to know about accounting for inventory, inventory record keeping using the perpetual method, using the periodic method, and inventory costing.

Prerequisite: Bookkeeping Practices (non-credit), Principles of Accounting (credit), Financial Accounting (credit), or on-the-job bookkeeping experience.

Please refer to the current Continuing Education & Workforce Development catalog for course specifics (tuition, start date, class time slot and location).

Employment Related Information

- Certificate holders will find employment as bookkeepers, records keepers, salespeople, and property/asset managers. Part-time as well as full-time positions will likely be available.
- Job Search Keywords:

bookkeeper, property manager, clerk

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