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# Greetings from The Accounting Club President

Hello to all of our Accounting students and club members!

I am Anh Nguyen, a senior here at Athens State and this year's IMA Student Chapter/ Accounting Club President. I am grateful to have been able to be part of this club and be exposed to so many incredible people as well as speakers throughout the year.

Part of the experience of being an Accounting Club member includes the opportunity to go to the IMA's annual Student Leadership Conference. I was absolutely thrilled to be able to go this year and meet so many accounting students from all over the United States. There were amazing speakers, as well as opportunities and employers to connect with.

I encourage every accounting student to experience this conference at least once in your years at Athens State. You will gain a network and resources that you can use in your future accounting career, including information about scholarships available through IMA.

I hope to see even more students participating in the Accounting Club in the future and taking advantage of all the resources and opportunities it has to offer!

#### Vision Statement

Perpetuate the IMA-gold standards of excellence for a world-class organization at both a national and local level.

#### Mission Statement

To create a vibrant organizational community for students that will provide them with the necessary tools to compete effectively in the professional business community through programs that create education and networking opportunities, community and university involvement, and build a framework of highly ethical behavior.



Anh Nguyen President

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### Want to Join the Athens State Accounting Club?

Three Easy Steps:

- 1) Be a student at Athens State enrolled in at least 6 hours
- 2) Be a student member of the Institute of Management Accountants

  (www.imanet.org)
  - 3) Email your IMA member number to Professor Christopher Nelson

### **Club Activities**

**Preview Day** 

October 14th

**Meet the Firms** 

September 26th





GovCon Mix & Mingle hosted by Redstone GCI and Athens State at Radiance Technologies

April 27th

### IMA Student Leadership Conference

Two of our Accounting Club officers, Anh Nguyen and Latasha Davis, attended the IMA Student Leadership Conference in Detroit, Michigan November 9-11. The theme was "Your Road to Success." The students met accounting students from colleges and universities from all over, and they attended sessions led by various industry executives. The IMA Student Chapter received the IMA Gold Award of Excellence during the conference and participated in the t-shirt competition!



Athens State University Student Chapter



### **Educational Meeting - Redstone Government Consulting**

On April 6th, we heard from a panel of Redstone GCI and Thompson Gray employees about working in

government contracting and the specialized skill-set required.







### Educational Meeting -Forensic Accounting and Law Enforcement

On October 19th, Angela Aldridge from the Alabama Department of Revenue spoke to the IMASC via Zoom about working for the department and how forensic accounting and law enforcement.



## New Member Orientation Meeting

On September 7th, the student officers introduced all students in attendance to IMA and our IMA Student Chapter.



### **Industry Tour**

We toured Pryor Field Airport Authority on April 4th, and it was so interesting learning about the history, recent updates, and plans for the airport. The authority began in 1941 and has 3 historical sites. We learned about their revenue, costs, and challenges they face, both operationally and financially. It was an amazing tour, and we even got to drive our own cars on the runway behind the airport director, Adam Fox, to get to the south gate of the airport where we got to go inside one of the original 1941 hangars and get up-close with some of the smaller planes they house there.



Fiddlers Convention October 6-7



### **Educational Meeting - ETHICS**

On November 9th, Laura Cole, a graduate of Athens State, and Assistant Controller for Davidson Homes, spoke to the IMASC about Ethics in Accounting.





### **Educational Meeting - BMSS**

On September 21st, Jonathan Hall and Megan Carter from BMSS accounting firm spoke to our students about jobs and internships with their firm and about how accounting jobs have changed over time.





### **Leadership Training**

Professor Emily Corzine is presenting Leadership
Training sessions for IMASC officers in our
monthly board meetings. So far, we have reviewed
the following leadership characteristics from the
Center for Creative Leadership: Integrity, Delegation, Communication, and Self-Awareness.





Simpson, Jeremy

Snoddy, Melisha

Soriano, Elizabeth

Thompson, Jordan

Teal, Ashley

Thrash, Sarah

Watkins, Angel

Young, Natatia

### Spring 2023

Adair, Trace Phillips, Michael Claborn, Magen Simmons, Amy

Crabtree, Courtney

Fleming, Jacob

Garrett, Katelyn

Higginbotham, Alex

Hogan, Michael

Hood, Stacy

Jones, Michelle

Lynn, Hailey

Pippens, Christian



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#### **Upcoming Events:**

11/21 - Canned Food Drive ends

12/5 - 3-5pm Huntsville/Madison County Chamber Career Fair

1/22, 2/26 - IMA Muscle Shoals Meetings

1/26, 2/22, 3/14 - Spring IMASC/Accounting Club Educational Meetings



IMA's Certification for Accountants and Financial Professionals in Business

### Summer 2023

Adams, John

Allen, Jonathon

Berry, Sean

Day, Matthew

Fulmer, Reagan

Gibson, Skyler

Godsey, Charlotte

Halper, Maegan

Hayes, Lee

Littleton, Madeline

Mann, Debbie

Massey, Madelyn

McIntyre, Luke

Nunez, Abigail

Soukup, Virginia

Sumners, Bailey

Tillman, Amanda

### Advisors and Officers - Please feel free to contact any of us with questions!

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