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Career Awareness & Mentoring:

- ◆ Accounting Career Awareness Program (ACAP), see www.dallasacap.com
- ◆ Project MALE

Human Resources & Training:

- ◆ Instructional Design/Facilitation
- ◆ College Relations & Recruiting
- ◆ ERP Implementations

Accounting & Auditing:

- ◆ Adjunct Accounting Professor
- ◆ VP--Financial & SEC Reporting
- ◆ Internal Audit Director
- ◆ Public Accounting

Education:

- ◆ Harvard Business School (Executive Leadership Development)
- ◆ Master's in Professional Counseling
- ◆ Master's in Human Resources & Training
- ◆ Bachelor's in Accounting

Past Employers:

- ◆ MPrints (Owner)
- ◆ Southwest Airlines Co. (Retired)
- ◆ North Lake College
- ◆ Associates First Capital Corporation
- ◆ KPMG, LLP

Life's Goals:

- ◆ **Make Positive Impacts**
- ◆ **Have Multiple Career Options**
- ◆ **Travel to Interesting Places**
- ◆ **Meet Interesting People**
- ◆ **Have a Passionate Desire to Succeed**

Accounting...The Language of Business (Career Profile Template)

What Accountants Do

- ◆ Analyze & Report the Results of Financial Information
- ◆ Evaluate Internal Controls
- ◆ Offer Consulting Services
- ◆ Teach Accounting

Education & Training:

- ◆ Degree in Accounting or Finance
- ◆ Advanced Degrees
- ◆ Certifications

Some Rewards:

- ◆ **Financial Prosperity**
- ◆ **Access to Confidential Information**
- ◆ **Broad Exposure/Diversity**
- ◆ **Ability to Travel**
- ◆ **Network of Like-Minded Professionals**
- ◆ **Access to Multiple Job Opportunities**

Some Careers in Accounting:

- ◆ Public Accounting
- ◆ Corporate Accounting
- ◆ Tax Accounting
- ◆ Entrepreneur
- ◆ College Professor
- ◆ Non-Profit
- ◆ Information Technology

Some Necessary Skills:

- ◆ Good Knowledge of Accounting & Finance
- ◆ Excellent Computer Skills
- ◆ Use 10-Key by Touch
- ◆ Pay Attention to Detail
- ◆ Strong Organizational Skills
- ◆ Excellent Communication Skills
- ◆ Strong Analytical Skills

Some Keys to Success:

- ◆ **Strong Desire to Succeed**
- ◆ **Strong Work Ethic**
- ◆ **Flexible**
- ◆ **Perseverance**
- ◆ **Ability to Network**
- ◆ **Politically Astute**
- ◆ **Technically Competent**