The accounting society is open to all students interested in learning more about the field of professional accounting. The society is designed to foster careers in the field of accounting, taxation, auditing, governmental accounting, and management consulting services. Getting involved with the Accounting Society provides a valuable opportunity to serve and participate in an organization in which you can directly benefit and obtain valuable information that will be helpful to you in planning for a future career in the field of accounting and getting and being successful in a job when you graduate.

The club schedules regular business meetings and other formal presentations where students have the opportunity to hear and interact with national and local accounting and business professionals. Examples of topics that might be covered are: resume preparation, career opportunities in various fields of accounting, taxation, and auditing (including internships and co-ops while a student); interviewing skills; skills needed to succeed once in college is the knowledge, skills, and practical experience that AMA provides which cannot be gained in the classroom alone.

If you are exploring the many dimensions of marketing as a career, then it is time to recognize that the American Marketing Association—the world’s largest association of marketing professionals—is a valuable key to your marketing success.

As competition grows, the need for marketing skills increases. Professionals with a solid background are more likely to succeed! Sure, you can include AMA Marketing Club membership on your resume, but don’t let that be your only motivation for joining. The value of membership while in college is the knowledge, skills, and practical experience that AMA provides which cannot be gained in the classroom alone.

The Economics Club welcomes any student interested in the study of Economics, Finance, Business Economics, or Accounting. Club members participate in the College Fed Challenge, a monetary policy competition co-sponsored by the New York Federal Reserve Bank and the Eastern Economics Association. The club participates in the Annual Conference of the New York State Economics Association, attends presentations of invited speakers, and enjoys regular field trips to places of employment and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in Manhattan. Members enhance their personal development as a result of exposure to academic and professional activities.

Members and the College community benefit from Club sponsored presentations, including those by business and academic economists, professionals and executives who rely upon and use economic information, and economic policy makers. At the annual NYSEA meetings and during the field trips, members enjoy the camaraderie of travel and the experiences of attending presentations, research sessions, presenting research, and listening to the invited speaker during the luncheon.

Oneonta State is the home to the Alpha Lambda of New York chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the International Honorary in Economics. Juniors or seniors majoring or minoring in Economics, or completing a Finance concentration, who have completed 18 hours of Economics courses with an Economics GPA and overall GPA of at least 3.0, are offered invitations to become members of the Honorary.

The Finance Club's main purpose is to establish and maintain an organization that encourages and stimulates interest in the fields of Business, Investments and Finance.

New members and new ideas are always welcome, anytime throughout the year.
**Awards**

- **Outstanding Senior Award**: The outstanding graduating senior in each of the Departments of Economics, Finance, & Accounting and Management, Marketing, & Information Systems receives the President’s award. Chosen by each department’s faculty based on overall and major cum of at least 3.5, with a mix of demonstrated on and off campus leadership.

- **Outstanding Senior in Major Award**: The outstanding graduating senior in each major of the School: Professional Accounting, Business Economics, & Economics. A graduating senior is recognized by each school majors committee. Criteria include cum (usually a 3.25 overall) and demonstrated excellence in the major.

- **Robert B. Carson Award**: Award for excellence in Economics. Selection is made by the Economics faculty based on who they judge to have written the best paper in the Senior seminar in Economics.

It is not required that each of these awards be granted every year. Certificates of recognition are presented to recipients at graduation and engraved plaques hang in the School office.

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**School Honors**

Students are eligible for both school and college Honors. Honors residency requirements in the major is at least 24 s.h. Transfer students must have at least 18 s.h. in residence in the major. A degree with honors in the academic area is awarded to the student who has completed the major residency requirement at this college with a 3.50 GPA or better, if recommended by the School. Students may not qualify for school honors in an academic area for which they have not registered as a major. A student with two major academic areas may qualify for honors in both areas.

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**Scholarships**

- **Economics & Business Endowed Scholarship Fund**: Accounting, Business Economics, or Economics majors with a 3.3 overall GPA and a 3.3 major GPA or higher in at least 12 semester hours earned in the major qualify for consideration for this award.

- **Dr. Ignatius J. H. Ts’ao Scholarship**: Accounting, Business Economics, or Economics majors with a 3.3 GPA or higher qualify for consideration for this award.

- **John and Claudia DeMelis “Founders Scholarship in Accounting” Scholarship**: This award is designated exclusively for Professional Accounting majors and have earned 12 semester hours or more in the major with a minimum of 3.3 major and overall GPAs. Preference will be given to those who have demonstrated involvement in community service or volunteer work and/or non-traditional students(s) bearing significant financial responsibility for funding their education.

- **John Doherty Scholarship**: This award is designated exclusively for majors from the School of Economics and Business who maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher and have exhibited strong academic achievement and demonstrate financial need and college or community service.

- **Steven Edelstein ’79 Scholarship in Honor of Dr. Foster Brown**: Sophomores or Juniors who demonstrate academic achievement with a 3.5 or higher GPA and major in Math, Psychology, or Economics will be eligible to receive this award.

- **George F. Ring, Jr. & Ellen Smith Ring Scholarship**: Awarded to full time undergraduates majoring in Business Economics, Economics or Professional Accounting who maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher and have financial need.