

## Client

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## AccountMate Modules:

- Accounts Payable
- Accounts Receivable
- Bank Reconciliation
- Business Alerts
- Business Analysis
- Business Intelligence
- Consolidated Ledger
- Contact Manager
- Custom Field Manager
- Customer Inventory Manager
- Customer Relationship Manager
- General Ledger
- Inventory Control
- Inventory Specification
- Kitting
- Lot Control
- Manufacturing
- Payroll
- Pricing Control
- Purchase Order
- Return Authorization
- Return to Vendor Authorization
- Sales Order
- System Manager
- Upsell Management

*"These students are taught the basics of software evaluation while gaining practical, real-life experience."*

– Thomas Francl,  
Professor, National  
University

## University Uses AccountMate Software to Teach Comprehensive Financial Management Course

Based in San Diego, California, National University is the second-largest private, nonprofit institution of higher education in California and the 12th largest in the United States. Founded in 1971, National University offers a wide range of educational opportunities that help students earn their associate's, bachelor's, master's degree or teaching credential.

With flexible online classes, in addition to traditional classroom formats, students can go to class at night, early in the morning, or on weekends while achieving their higher education goals. Offering four schools and one college, students can choose from a variety of online degree programs or from more than 30 locations in California and Nevada to fulfill their degree or teaching credential requirement.

Since 1977, National University has been accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Dedicated to making lifelong learning opportunities accessible, challenging, and relevant to a diverse student population, National continues to be an innovative leader in delivering relevant, success-oriented and goal-driven programs.

### Accounting Information System

The Accounting Information System course is designed to teach Master of Business Administration and Master of Accounting students real-life, internal control perspectives.

By the end of the quarter, students will study the design and internal control perspectives of accounting information systems, including systems analysis, database technology, decision support systems, system implementation and management information system auditing principles.

Utilizing two main-stream accounting software programs, students are provided a case study and must comprehensively compare accounting software solutions. Students identify:

1. Current environment and associated problems
2. Projected company growth and resulting workload
3. Information needs for a company twice its present size
4. Advantages of automating the entire company and not just the billing department
5. A summary comparison of both accounting system capabilities
6. A make or buy recommendation
7. A financial analysis, which includes personnel requirements

### System Analysis

Due to its sophisticated financial management capabilities, students are instructed to analyze AccountMate for Express as one of the two accounting systems evaluated. Throughout their analysis of key system features, students discover that AccountMate for Express offers essential real-time processing and automation for small to medium-sized businesses right out-of-the-box.

With up-to-the-minute data, students could access mock customer and vendor account information, verify inventory availability and confirm incoming orders. AccountMate's standard drill down capability provides sub level account detail and immediate access to sales orders, transactional reports, invoices and other valuable financial information such as sales-to-date, open order data, or balances due.

System-wide tracking of data changes provides a comprehensive audit trail strengthening internal controls. Multi-segmented chart of accounts allow for complex cost center structure and flexible analysis of financial statements. Sophisticated warehouse capabilities, serialization and

unlimited bin locations provide the continuum between pick, pack and shipment of sales orders without any delays. Multi-currency and multi-lingual functionality support global operations.

While this course is limited by scope and time, analyzing AccountMate for Express allows students to discover the benefits of a sophisticated financial management system.

## Results: Right or Wrong?

There is no right or wrong answer. Students are graded by their ability think, compare and analyze. Nearly 96% of students ultimately recommend AccountMate for Express as their financial software suggestion due to the system's scalability, award-winning system design and comprehensive business management capabilities.

By the end of the semester, National University students are equipped with the basic tools and techniques required to design, implement and audit management information systems, ultimately providing practical real-life experience.

## About National University

Located in San Diego, California, National University is a private, nonprofit institution of higher education. With a combination of online classes and traditional classroom formats, students fulfill their degree or teaching credential requirement in a flexible learning environment. National University can be reached at [www.nu.edu](http://www.nu.edu).

## About AccountMate

Founded in 1984, AccountMate develops and markets fully customizable business management software designed to meet the growing needs of small to medium-sized businesses. Systems range from single user versions to those that support over hundreds of users simultaneously. AccountMate software is available for local installations or cloud deployment. It is distributed exclusively through a worldwide channel of authorized solution providers. AccountMate can be reached at (800) 877-8896 or [www.accountmate.com](http://www.accountmate.com).

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