



# **Business Administration Acct**

#### **About**

The Master of Science in Business Administration-Accounting Program (MSBA in Accounting) is a degree program which, when added to a business baccalaureate degree in Accounting or its equivalent, satisfies the education requirements to sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Examination in the State of Ohio and 45 other states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam with similar education requirements. The MSBA in Accounting Program is designed for the following types of students:

- 1. students with a baccalaureate degree in accounting (30-semester graduate credits)
- 2. students with non-accounting business degrees (54-semester graduate credits)
- 3. students with non-business degrees (55-semester graduate credits).
- 4. students with non-business degrees (55-semester graduate credits)

The MSBA in Accounting Program is offered in two formats:

- 1. a Full-Time Program where students can take 12 to 18 semester credits of coursework per term
- 2. a Part-Time Program where students take two courses per term in the evenings.

Successful accountants possess excellent critical thinking skills and the ability to analyze information. Other attributes include:

- · Problem solving skills
- · Ability to identify and control risk
- · Strong communication skills
- Team building skills

Successful graduates entering the accounting field can enhance their marketability in three ways:

- High grades, as many accounting employers look for an overall GPA of 3.2 or greater
- Work experience in the form of co-op or internships
- Leadership experiences in campus and/or community groups

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#### Career

Graduates of the UC Lindner College of Business accounting program can find career opportunities in public and corporate accounting. Employers include both national and international public accounting firms (Big 4), regional and local public accounting firms, financial services firms, manufacturing firms and retailers and others. Examples of jobs include:

- CPAs (Certified Public Accountants) in public auditing
- Managerial/cost accountants
- · Internal revenue agents
- Tax consultants
- · Internal auditors
- · Financial executives
- · Accounting professionals in governmental and non-profit organizations

Additional career options are listed on the Center for Exploratory Studies (http://www.uc.edu/ces/what-can-you.html) website.

## Curriculum

My Degree Audit (http://onestop.uc.edu/classes/GetMyDegreeAudit.html) - for confirmed and current students
My Transfer Course Equivalencies (https://www.transferology.com/school/UC) - for students considering transfer to UC
UC Schedule of Classes (http://onestop.uc.edu/classes/ViewClassOfferings.html) - search course availability and descriptions

Curriculum Guide Versions:

MS-ACCT (/ecurriculum/DegreePrograms/Home/Guide/557)

## **Admission Requirements**

- Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) scores
- For international students Test of English as Foreign Language (TOEFL) score
- · Two letters of recommendation
- · Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate course work
- Current résumé
- · A goal statement

# **Transferring To UC**

Students can transfer up to 12 semester hours of graduate credit from an AACSB accredited university. The course must have been taken within the past five years, with a grade of B or better. Courses must be approved by the academic director.

## **International Student Requirements**

English proficiency is required of all applicants whose native language is not English. Students can satisfy this requirement by obtaining

- a TOEFL score of at least 90 (internet-based), or 233 (computer-based), or 577 (paper-based) or
- · a IELTS overall band score of 6.5 or
- the Pearson Test of English (PTE) minimum score of 68.

## **Graduation Requirements**

The Master's of Science in Accounting degree is granted to those who satisfactorily complete the required course work, carrying a minimum GPA of 3.0 or more. The degree must be completed within five years of acceptance into the program. All students must contract for graduation and be enrolled for at least one credit hour of study each academic year.

### Accreditation

The University of Cincinnati and all regional campuses are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. The Carl H. Lindner College of Business has held AACSB accreditation continuously since 1917. AACSB International business accreditation is an achievement earned only by programs of the highest caliber. Institutions that earn accreditation confirm their commitment to quality and continuous improvement through a rigorous and comprehensive peer review. Less than one-third of U.S. business school programs and only 15% of business school programs worldwide meet the rigorous standards of AACSB International accreditation.

Apply to UC (https://grad.uc.edu/admissions.html)

#### Degree

Master of Science

## Full-time program duration

1 years

#### Location

Uptown Campus West

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