Accountancy MAcc

FOX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

Learn more about the Master of Accountancy.

About the Program

The Master of Accountancy program is designed for students who seek the CPA designation and a career in either public or private accounting. The MAcc curriculum builds on accounting undergraduate work and is focused on advanced-level accounting, auditing, data analytics, taxation and related technologies. Time to study and sit for the CPA exam is incorporated into the program’s schedule, providing a practical timeline to pass all four parts of the CPA exam during the program. MAcc faculty and career development coaches work with students one-on-one to help identify the career opportunity that is best suited for each individual from among our close-knit recruiting partnerships with Big Four, national and regional public accounting firms, and industry partners.

Time Limit for Degree Completion: The Fox Master of Accountancy is designed to be completed in one year with full-time study or across two years if studying part-time. Graduate School guidelines allow up to six years, however, for completion of the master’s degree.

Campus Location: Main, Center City, and Online

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: The degree program can be completed on a full- or part-time basis.

Affiliation(s): Research interests of Fox faculty are supported by numerous centers and institutes throughout the Fox School and Temple University.

Accreditation: The Fox Master of Accountancy is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International).

Job Prospects: The Fox Center for Student Professional Development (CSPD) provides students with career coaching and professional development resources that support the job search. Graduates are typically hired by public accounting firms or the accounting industry.

Non-Matriculated Student Policy: Students who would like to pursue a Master of Accountancy degree who were not accounting majors while undergraduates may take six required prerequisite courses as a non-matriculated student at Temple University, if approved by the Director of the MAcc program. Non-matriculated students must earn a “B” or better in the following six courses for consideration:

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Financing Opportunities: Citizens and permanent residents of the United States are considered domestic students and are typically eligible for federal student loans and alternative loans through private lenders. The Fox School grants 5% tuition scholarships to alumni who are admitted to the program. The program also offers merit- and need-based scholarships to eligible admitted students.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Application Deadline:

Fall:

- December 15 – Early Admissions Deadline
- March 1 – Scholarship Deadline and International Deadline
- June 30 – Final Deadline

Applications are reviewed as they are received and will be considered after the deadline on a space-available basis.

APPLY ONLINE to this Fox graduate program.

Letters of Reference:

Number Required: 1 (optional)
From Whom: Professional references from an immediate supervisor, current or past, are preferred. Academic references are acceptable.

Coursework Required for Admission Consideration: Applicants must have completed the undergraduate accounting courses (or equivalent) identified below before undertaking MAcc coursework. Those who apply to the program while satisfying the prerequisite courses must complete these prerequisites with a grade of "B-" or better before final acceptance can be granted:

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MAcc Summer Bridge Program: Prospective students who have no previous accounting or business education may pursue a master's degree in Accountancy through the MAcc Summer Bridge program, which prepares students with the fundamental business background knowledge they need to succeed in the MAcc degree program.

Prerequisites for admission into the MAcc Summer Bridge program include successful completion of financial accounting at Fox or another accredited institution; self-study of introductory financial accounting through an approved online platform such as Coursera, which requires a certificate of completion; or the equivalent of financial accounting through the CLEP exam. This coursework is required:

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Students who hold a four-year bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university who complete the MAcc Summer Bridge program with at least a cumulative GPA of 3.0 and at least a “B-” in each of the required courses listed above are eligible to enroll in the MAcc program in the Fall term.

To determine if Fox's MAcc Summer Bridge program is right for you, contact Cory Ng, academic director of the Master of Accountancy program, at cory.ng@temple.edu or Chang Liu, associate director of graduate admissions, at chang.liu@temple.edu.

The accounting prerequisite courses for the MAcc Summer Bridge program can be completed through the Office of Continuing Studies. To register for the courses, first-time Continuing Studies students must complete an online application. After completing the application, you will receive a message from Cstudies@temple.edu to schedule a Zoom meeting.

Bachelor’s Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline: The equivalent of a four-year U.S. baccalaureate degree from an accredited university or college is required. For three-year degrees, mark sheets must be evaluated by WES or another NACES organization.

Statement of Goals: Essay prompts can be found in the online application portal.

Standardized Test Scores:
GMAT/GRE: Scores may be requested based on the applicant’s academic and/or professional background. Candidates with an undergraduate GPA below 3.0 are required to submit valid GMAT or GRE test scores. Consult an admissions advisor with any questions.

Applicants who earned their baccalaureate degree from an institution where the language of instruction was other than English, with the exception of those who subsequently earned a master’s degree in a country where the language of instruction is English, must report scores for a standardized test of English that meet these minimums:
• TOEFL iBT: 90
• IELTS Academic: 7.0
• Duolingo: 110
• PTE Academic: 68

Resume: Current resume or CV is required.

Interview: Candidates are invited to interview in person or virtually. Interviews are required on a case-by-case basis.

Writing Sample: Prompts for this optional essay can be found in the online application portal.

Transfer Credit: Upper-level graduate credits from an AACSB-accredited graduate business program, but not previously applied to a conferred degree, may be transferred into the MAcc program. The credits must be part of the required degree program at Temple University. To be transferred, the grade must be a “B” or better. The Admissions Committee makes recommendations for transferring credits to the department chair.

Program Requirements

General Program Requirements:
Number of Credits Required Beyond the Baccalaureate: 30

Required Courses:¹

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Total Credit Hours: 30

¹ Each semester, a CPA review course is open to students in the full-time program to prepare them to sit for the various parts of the CPA exam:
- Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) is taken during the last two months of the Fall term.
- Regulation (REG) is taken during the last two months of the Spring term.
- Auditing and Attestation (AUD) is taken during the first two weeks of August, after the Summer term has ended.
- Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) is taken during the program. Students are encouraged to consult with the Academic Director for the recommended timing. After January 1, 2024, BEC is replaced with one of three disciplines: Business Analysis and Reporting (BAR), Information Systems and Controls (ISC), or Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP).

Full-Time MAcc

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During the last two months of the Fall term, students take a CPA review course and sit for the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) part of the CPA exam.¹
### Spring

- **ACCT 5205** Advanced Federal Taxation 3
- **ACCT 5206** Law Ethics & Regulations 3
- **ACCT 5211** Advanced Data Analytics and Innovation in Accounting 3
- **ACCT 5287** Colloquium on Current Issues in Accounting Practice 1

During the last two months of the Spring term, students take a CPA review course and sit for the Regulation (REG) part of the CPA exam.  

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### Summer

- **ACCT 5204** Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services 3
- **ACCT 5207** Concepts and Analysis of Financial Statements 3
- **ACCT 5209** Taxes & Business Strategy 2
- **ACCT 5287** Colloquium on Current Issues in Accounting Practice 1

During the first two weeks of August after the Summer term has ended, students take a CPA review course and sit for the Auditing and Attestation (AUD) part of the CPA exam.

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### Part-Time MAcc with a Fall Term Start

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**Part-Time MAcc with a Spring Term Start**

**Year 1**

**Spring**
- ACCT 5205: Advanced Federal Taxation 3
- ACCT 5287: Colloquium on Current Issues in Accounting Practice 1

**Summer**
- ACCT 5207: Concepts and Analysis of Financial Statements 3
- ACCT 5287: Colloquium on Current Issues in Accounting Practice 1

**Credit Hours** 4

**Year 2**

**Fall**
- ACCT 5201: Advanced Studies in Financial Reporting 3
- ACCT 5202: Enterprise Systems and Data Analytics 3

**Credit Hours** 6

**Spring**
- ACCT 5206: Law Ethics & Regulations 3
- ACCT 5211: Advanced Data Analytics and Innovation in Accounting 3

**Credit Hours** 6

**Summer**
- ACCT 5204: Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services 3
- ACCT 5209: Taxes & Business Strategy 2

**Credit Hours** 5

**Year 3**

**Fall**
- ACCT 5170: Special Topics 1
- ACCT 5203: Professional Skills Development 3
- ACCT 5287: Colloquium on Current Issues in Accounting Practice 1

**Credit Hours** 5

**Total Credit Hours** 30

**Culminating Event:** Successful completion of coursework is required to earn the MAcc degree.

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