ACCOUNTANCY, MAS

for the degree of Master of Accounting Science

The M.A.S. program is a one-year program for students who have completed or are pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Accountancy from an accredited U.S. institution. Each student will select either Taxation or Financial Reporting & Assurance for their core accounting concentration. Students are also required to select a secondary graduate elective concentration. By design, the program emphasizes the emerging trend of data analytics in the practice of accounting, with a standard course plan that leads to a graduate concentration in D. Students who wish to deviate from the standard course plan, but do not wish to pursue a listed graduate concentration, may petition to take other graduate courses of interest subject to approval of an Accountancy Advisor. Admission to a concentration requires application to the Department. Admission to some concentrations may be competitive.

Graduate Degree Programs in Accountancy

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with optional concentrations:

- Business & Public Policy
- Corporate Governance & International Business
- Data Analytics in Accountancy
- Finance
- Financial Reporting & Assurance
- Information Technology & Control
- Real Estate
- Supply Chain Management
- Taxation

Accountancy, MS (on campus & online)

with optional concentrations:

- Business & Public Policy
- Corporate Governance & International Business
- Data Analytics in Accountancy
- Finance
- Financial Reporting & Assurance
- Information Technology & Control
- Supply Chain Management
- Taxation

with optional online concentrations:

- Accountancy Analytics

Accountancy, PhD
Minor:
  • Accountancy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/minors/accy/accountancy/)

Certificate:
  • Accounting Data Analytics, CERT (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/accy/accounting-data-analytics-cert/)

Admission
All applicants to the Master of Accounting Science program should refer to MAS program (https://giesbusiness.illinois.edu/mas/admissions/).

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For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s program information online (https://business.illinois.edu/mas/) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).

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<td>ACCY 451</td>
<td>Advanced Income Tax Problems</td>
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NOTE: ACCY 451 and ACCY 410 are currently offered for differential credit (3 hours undergraduate or 4 hours graduate credit).

Students in the Taxation concentration that complete both of these courses during the undergraduate timeframe will take ACCY 510, ACCY 517, or an approved elective. Students in the Financial Reporting & Assurance concentration that complete both ACCY 451 and ACCY 410 for 3 hours of undergraduate credit would either take ACCY 518 or ACCY 574, or an approved elective. All graduate electives must be approved by an Accountancy Advisor.

Choose one (1) Accounting elective from this list: 4

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<td>ACCY 592</td>
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Choose one (1) of these two (2) concentrations: 12

Taxation
Financial Reporting & Assurance

Choose one (1) additional concentration from this list: 12

Corporate Governance & International Business
Data Analytics in Accountancy
Financial Reporting & Assurance
Finance
Information Technology & Control
Real Estate
Supply Chain Management
Taxation

Total Hours 32

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Other Requirements

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<td>The prescribed courses may only be used to satisfy the requirements of one concentration.</td>
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**Learning Objective 1:** Advanced accounting competency

Students will build on their undergraduate knowledge of accounting by adding advanced knowledge of more complex accounting transactions. Students also will gain the ability to derive decision-relevant information from financial statements to make more strategic use of accounting information for decision-making.

**Learning Objective 2:** Advanced Professional Research Skills

Students will be able to identify, interpret and apply the authoritative literature related to their areas of specialization to address accounting questions characterized by uncertainty and ambiguity.

**Learning Objective 3:** Attitude-related Professional Preparation

Students will develop an understanding for and appreciation of an accountant’s professional responsibility, and will become aware of society’s expectations.

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Program Website (https://giesbusiness.illinois.edu/mas/)  
College Website (https://giesbusiness.illinois.edu/)

Graduate Admissions (https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply/)  
Gies College Admissions & Requirements (http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/gies-business/academic-units/)

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