Graduate Degree Programs in Accountancy

Accountancy, MAS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/accountancy-mas/)

with optional concentrations:
  - Business & Public Policy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/finance/business-public-policy/)
  - Corporate Governance & International Business (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/corporate-governance-international-business/)
  - Data Analytics in Accountancy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/accy/data-analytics-accountancy/)
  - Finance (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/finance/finance/)
  - Financial Reporting & Assurance (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/accountancy-mas/financial-reporting-assurance/)
  - Information Technology & Control (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/information-technology-control/)
  - Real Estate (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/finance/real-estate/)
  - Supply Chain Management (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/badm/supply-chain-management/)
  - Taxation (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/concentration/accy/taxation/)

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Online concentrations:
  - Accountancy Analytics (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/accountancy-ms/accountancy-analytics/)
  - Accountancy, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/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 Science in Accountancy program should refer to the MSA program (https://giesbusiness.illinois.edu/msa/admissions/) or the iMSA program (https://onlinemsa.illinois.edu/overview/) for the online program.

for the degree of Master of Science in Accountancy (on campus & online)

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

This degree program can be completed either on campus or online; the requirements are listed below:

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<td>Accounting Analysis I</td>
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<td>or substitute graduate accountancy courses approved by a program advisor</td>
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<td>Graduate electives with at least 4 hours credit in a non-accountancy graduate course</td>
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Other Requirements

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<td>Minimum 500-level Hours Required</td>
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<td>Students shall earn at least 24 of the 32 total graduate hours while enrolled in the Graduate College at Urbana-Champaign.</td>
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<td>Electives shall form a coherent program of study approved by a program advisor.</td>
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An optional CPA Review course (ACCY 398) is available. The credit hours for the CPA Review Course do not count towards the 32 credit hours required to graduate.

International students with TOEFL scores below 613 (paper-based), 257 (computer-based), or 103 (internet-based), or IELTS score below 7.0, are required to take the English Placement Test (EPT) when they arrive on campus. After taking the EPT, most students are required to take a Business English course sequence. For these students, completion of the ESL course sequence is mandatory but does not count towards the 32 hour degree requirement.

Learning Objective #1: Discipline-based competency
One goal of the MSA degree is to impart competency in traditional accountancy topics (financial reporting, cost accounting, federal income tax, and auditing), with an expectation of performance at a level higher than undergraduates. Besides providing a technical foundation for career success, a secondary goal of this learning objective is to prepare students to pass the AICPA Uniform CPA examination.

Learning Objective #2: Social and Communication Skills
Students should be able to communicate with others regarding technical accounting topics.

Learning Objective #3: Teamwork
Students should demonstrate the ability to collaborate as an effective team member in varying roles in a diverse group in and in diverse tasks.

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director of graduate studies: Rachel Schwartz (MSA); Oktay Urcan (iMSA)
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