

ACCOUNTING

Emphasis: Certified Public Accountant Exam Preparation



ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

The Master of Science in Accounting program (MSAC) emphasizes coursework – taught from the practitioner’s perspective. The program is designed for individuals with an undergraduate degree or concentration in accounting or finance who wish to advance their education. Students pursuing this program will explore topics such as current issues in accounting, auditing standards and financial accuracy.

The CPA Exam Preparation emphasis includes career-focused coursework designed to prepare students for a variety of professional fields in accounting with an emphasis on the CPA designation. Specifically, the program can benefit students seeking to meet additional academic requirements in preparing for state-specific CPA exam requirements or current CPAs seeking a credential that may enable them to teach accounting at higher education institutions.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of DeVry University’s Keller Graduate School of Management Accounting degree program with a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Exam Preparation emphasis may consider, but are not limited to, the following careers:

- Accountant
- Accounting Manager
- Controller
- Director of Financial Reporting
- Public Accountant¹

¹Employment in this occupation may require years of relevant experience Note: Credits and degrees earned from this institution do not automatically qualify the holder to participate in professional licensing exams to practice certain professions. Persons interested in practicing a regulated profession must contact the appropriate state regulatory agency for their field of interest. For instance, typically 150 credit hours of education are required to meet state regulatory agency education requirements for CPA licensure.

QUICK FACTS



AN INDUSTRY ADVANTAGE

Keller’s Master of Accounting degree program with a Certified Public Accountant Exam Preparation emphasis integrates elements of Becker Professional Education’s industry-leading CPA exam prep into its curriculum.



ACCREDITATION MATTERS

Keller’s Master of Science in Accounting program has achieved voluntary specialized accounting accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP, www.acbsp.org), demonstrating that it has met standards of business education that promote teaching excellence.

ACCELERATED SCHEDULE	OR	NORMAL SCHEDULE
12 months		1 year 8 months
Average 10 credits per semester		Average 6 credits per semester

ACCELERATE AT YOUR PACE

Choose the schedule that best fits your goals and commitments. You can earn your **Master’s Degree** in as few as **12 months**.

Or, follow a normal schedule and complete your program in 1 year 8 months

Assumes continuous, year-round enrollment with no breaks

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COURSEWORK

PROGRAM CORE

ACCT525	Current Issues in Accounting
ACCT540	Professional Research for Accountants
ACCT601	Accounting Capstone

FOCUS – Three of:

ACCT530	Accounting Ethics and Related Regulatory Issues
ACCT555 ¹	External Auditing
ACCT556	Budgeting
ACCT559	Advanced Financial Accounting and Reporting Issues
ACCT560	Advanced Studies in Federal Taxes and Management Decisions
ACCT563	Advanced Managerial Accounting Issues
ACCT564	International Accounting and Multinational Enterprises
ACCT567	Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting
ACCT568	Analytics for Accountants
ACCT571	Accounting Information Systems
ACCT574	Forensic Accounting: Ethics and the Legal Environment
FIN516	Advanced Managerial Finance
FIN565	International Finance
FIN575	Advanced Financial Statement Analysis
MGMT520	Legal, Political and Ethical Dimensions of Business
MGMT550	Managerial Communication

ELECTIVES

One of:

Students choose any course for which they meet pre-requisites.

Visit the [Course Descriptions](#) section.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAM PREPARATION

ACCT591C	CPA Exam Core Preparation: Auditing and Attestation
ACCT593C	CPA Exam Core Preparation: Financial Accounting and Reporting
ACCT594C	CPA Exam Core Preparation: Taxation and Regulation

One of:

ACCT597D	CPA Exam Discipline Preparation: Business Analytics and Reporting
ACCT598D	CPA Exam Discipline Preparation: Information Systems and Controls
ACCT599D	CPA Exam Discipline Preparation: Tax Compliance and Planning

¹ Students selecting the Certified Public Accountant Exam Preparation option must take ACCT555 to satisfy prerequisite requirements

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Examine current pronouncements and practices impacting the accounting profession.
- Apply tax and auditing knowledge to business problems.
- Prepare complex financial statements by applying GAAP Rules.
- Analyze accounting regulations and standards.

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