

BUSINESS: ACCOUNTING: ACCOUNTING, ASSURANCE, ADVISORY, M.ACC

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students are able to complete a program with minimal disruptions to careers and other commitments.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirements Detail

Minimum
Credit
Requirement 54 credits

Minimum
Residence
Credit
Requirement 24 credits

Minimum
Graduate
Coursework
Requirement Half of degree coursework (27 credits out of 54 total credits) must be completed graduate-level coursework; courses with the Graduate Level Coursework attribute are identified and searchable in the university's Course Guide (<https://registrar.wisc.edu/course-guide> (<https://registrar.wisc.edu/course-guide/>)).

Overall 3.00 GPA required.
Graduate GPA
Requirement

Other Grade Requirements The Graduate School requires an average grade of B or better in all coursework (300 or above, not including research credits) taken as a graduate student unless conditions for probationary status require higher grades. Grades of Incomplete are considered to be unsatisfactory if they are not removed during the first four weeks of the following semester. Students may be required to retake a course in which they receive a grade lower than a C.

Assessments and Examinations No required assessments or examinations beyond course requirements.

Language Requirements No language requirements.

REQUIRED COURSES

M.Acc students seek advanced preparation for careers in various aspects of accounting. The degree stresses in-depth study of accounting theory, auditing, taxation, information systems, applications, policy, and decision making. The program can be undertaken by students possessing an undergraduate accounting degree from UW–Madison or an undergraduate degree in a non-accounting field from any school.

The first year of the M.Acc program emphasizes accounting and core business knowledge necessary to work in the accounting profession.

Students are encouraged to complete a paid internship during the summer between the first and second year of the program. The second year of the program is designed to build on the internship experience through in-depth study of accounting issues. The second-year curriculum for students pursuing the standard M.Acc plan is as follows (30 total credits).

The M.Acc program requires a minimum of 54 credits over two years.

The second year also provides students with some flexibility to promote breadth of knowledge across a number of business disciplines.

Code	Title	Credits
First Year		
<i>Fall</i>		
ACCT I S 340	Accounting Systems	3
ACCT I S 620	Fundamentals of Taxation	3
ACCT I S 701	Financial Reporting I	3
ACCT I S 710	Managerial Accounting	3
<i>Spring</i>		
ACCT I S 630	Audit and Assurance Services	3
ACCT I S 702	Financial Reporting II	3
GEN BUS 301	Business Law	3
Business Elective		3
Second Year		
Select a minimum of 4 courses from the following:		12
ACCT I S 603	Financial Statement Analysis	
ACCT I S 621	Corporate and Advanced Taxation	
ACCT I S 730	Advanced Assurance Services	
ACCT I S 706	Advanced Financial Reporting	

ACCT I S 770	Seminar in Financial Reporting Theory	
ACCT I S 771	Seminar in Strategic Cost Management and Performance Measurement	
ACCT I S 765	Contemporary Topics	
Complete a minimum of four and a maximum of six elective graduate courses		12-18
Total Credits		54