

BUSINESS: ACCOUNTING, PH.D.

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.

MAJOR 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 typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

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

Requirement Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement	51 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	33 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	26 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Details can be found in the Graduate School's Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) policy (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/)).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.20 GPA required.

Other Grade Requirements n/a

Assessments and Examinations Doctoral students are required to pass a comprehensive examination after they have cleared their record of all Incomplete and Progress grades (other than research and thesis). Deposit of the doctoral dissertation in the Graduate School is required.

Language Requirements There are no curricular language requirements.

Graduate School Breadth Requirement A doctoral minor or graduate/professional certificate is not required; Breadth is achieved in other ways.

REQUIRED COURSES

In addition to the required courses listed below, all Ph.D. students are required to participate in the Teaching Improvement Program and Graduate Assistant Equity Workshop.

Code	Title	Credits
Seminar Requirement		
ACCT I S 971	Seminar in Accounting Research ¹	12
Economics Requirement		6
ECON 711	Economic Theory–Microeconomics Sequence	
or A A E 635	Applied Microeconomic Theory	
or A A E 705	Applied Microeconomics	
Approved Economics Elective (see list below for possible course options)*		
Statistics and Research Methods Requirement		7-9
GEN BUS 933	Beginning a Research Career in Business	
<i>Students also select two of the following:</i>		
ECON 709	Economic Statistics and Econometrics I	
ECON 710	Economic Statistics and Econometrics II	
PSYCH 610	Design and Analysis of Psychological Experiments I	
PSYCH 710	Design and Analysis of Psychological Experiments II	
A A E 636	Applied Econometric Analysis I	
A A E 637	Applied Econometric Analysis II	
Breadth Requirement ²		9
Additional Coursework ³		15-17
Total Credits		51

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Students will need to complete ACCT I S 971 Seminar in Accounting Research four times to meet this requirement.

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Students also develop specialization in a related field such as economics, psychology, or sociology. Finally, students build a foundation in statistics that supports their research interests. Methodology courses in economics, agricultural economics, or psychology will generally provide a strong foundation.

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This could include the following courses: ACCT I S 990 Accounting Independent Research PhD Thesis, ACCT I S 999 Reading and Research-Accounting PhD, and other non-research coursework decided with their advisor.

Code	Title	Credits
*Approved Economics Electives		
ECON 461	International Macroeconomics	3-4
ECON 464	International Trade	3-4
ECON 467	International Industrial Organizations	3-4
ECON 521	Game Theory and Economic Analysis	3-4
ECON/POP HLTH/ PUB AFFR 548	The Economics of Health Care	3-4
ECON 690	Topics in Economics	2-4
ECON 712	Economic Theory-Macroeconomics Sequence	3
ECON 713	Economic Theory: Microeconomics Sequence	3
ECON 716	Econometric Methods	3
ECON 717	Applied Econometrics	3
ECON 736	Macroeconomic Policy	3
ECON 741	Theory of Public Finance and Fiscal Policy	3
ECON 742	Theory of Public Finance and Fiscal Policy	3
ECON 751	Survey of Institutional Aspects of Labor Economics	3
ECON 761	Industrial Organization Theory	3
ECON 762	Empirical Analysis of Industrial Organization and Public Policy	3
A A E 722	Machine Learning in Applied Economic Analysis	4
A A E 737	Applied Econometric Analysis III	3
A A E 777	Survey and Sample Design in Applied Economics	2
A A E 875	Special Topics (Topic: Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming and Data Analytics)	1-4
A A E/ENVIR ST/ POP HLTH/ PUB AFFR 881	Benefit-Cost Analysis	3

Independent Research

Students are required to present to the faculty an original research project (possibly co-authored with a faculty member or with another student) by the end of the student's third year in the program. Independent of the presentation requirement, students must have completed a draft of their dissertation proposal (approved by their advisor) prior to the comprehensive examination.