The M.B.A. in Public Accountancy combines the breadth of instruction in general business principles with the common body of knowledge recommended by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The program is intended for both business and liberal arts graduates. Graduate students seeking both the M.B.A. degree and CPA credential benefit from the broadly based core instruction of the M.B.A. and the expertise developed in the specialized public accounting courses.

The program consists of 69 credits. Students gain the high sense of responsibility and professional competence expected in the accounting profession. It also prepares them for the business challenges many CPAs encounter in their careers. Students who studied business as undergraduates may find that they automatically are waived out of certain required courses by the admissions office or may take a waiver exam for this purpose.

**CPA Certification Disclosure**

The M.B.A. in Public Accountancy does not meet the educational requirements for Certified Public Accountant (CPA) licensure alone in any State, but may supplement an undergraduate degree in public accounting to meet the CPA licensure educational requirements of your licensure State of interest. Requirements for the CPA license are subject to State-specific requirements and typically require more than successful completion of educational requirements. CPA licensure candidates must satisfy pertinent additional requirements, contingent on State specificities, including but not limited to completing the CPA application process, submitting payment for all relative fees, passing licensure examinations, and professional experience.

Because undergraduate accounting programs vary, please visit the National Association of State Boards of Accounting website (https://nasba.org/) to make certain this holds true for your specific bachelor’s degree.

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52.0301 · Accounting.

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**Requirements**

**Primary Concentration**

The course requirements for the M.B.A. in Public Accountancy consist of eight advanced-level discipline courses and four breadth courses for a total of 36 credits.