PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING (M.S.)

Requirements

Prerequisites

M.S. candidates who have not had any professional training or academic coursework using basic U.S. tax concepts (for example, those who have not taken an U.S. Internal Revenue Service-based tax course in their undergraduate studies) will have the opportunity to take ACGB 7184 Individual and Business Entity Taxation, for 3 credits, as a prerequisite.

Degree candidates whose native language is not English and who have not completed an undergraduate or graduate program in the United States or United Kingdom will have the opportunity to take MSGB 809A Adv Pres and Public Speaking and MSGB 809B Advanced Corporate Communications, both for 1.5 credits.

Depending on past professional training or academic coursework, the following three-credit prerequisite courses may be required:

- ACGB 6111 Fundamentals of Accounting I
- ACGB 7120 Ext Finl Info & Rptg
- ACGB 7105 Financial Accounting
- ACGB 7155 Managerial Accounting Analysis
- ACGB 7184 Individual and Business Entity Taxation

Please note: The 3-credit courses and both 1.5-credit courses listed above, as needed, should be taken during the first semester. This increases the number of credits taken prior to completing the M.S., but these courses add significant value.

Curriculum

The M.S. in Professional Accounting is a 30-credit program. Students’ curriculum is driven by the selection of one of two tracks (details below). The program cannot be pursued without one of these two tracks. Recommendations for electives should be determined in conjunction with the program’s academic adviser.

Tracks

Students pursuing the M.S. in Professional Accounting must also pursue one of two tracks listed below. One of the tracks, in Accounting Technology Analytics, also exists as a freestanding Advanced Certificate program.

The track curricula are taken entirely as overlap with the M.S. in Professional Accounting, so that students complete the program with one of the tracks below without taking any additional coursework. (STEM-OPT eligibility for students holding an F-1 visa is only available to students pursuing the M.S. in Professional Accounting with track in Accounting Technology Analytics).

The two tracks are:

- Accounting, Auditing, and Advisory
- Accounting Technology Analytics