

ACCOUNTING, ACCELERATED BS/MSA

The Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Accounting/Master of Science in Accountancy program offers students the opportunity to complete both degrees in a shorter period of time by taking dual-credit courses that count toward both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.

To receive official acceptance into the Accelerated BS/MSA program, students must satisfy the following requirements:

- Submit the Accelerated Program application (<https://www.uakron.edu/admissions/undergraduate/accelerated/accelerated-degree-application.pdf>) (recommended during junior academic year)
- Submit two letters of recommendation from University of Akron faculty
- Earn an overall GPA of 3.3 or higher and a 3.0 or higher GPA in accounting courses
- Submit a statement of purpose
- Apply and be accepted to the Graduate School

Admission Requirements

- Graduate School application
- Official transcripts from each institution attended
- Letter of Intent
- Resume

Application Deadline

- August 1 for Fall enrollment
- December 1 for Spring enrollment
- May 1 for Summer enrollment

International Student Applications

I-20 forms used for visa approval are processed by UA student immigration services in the International Center: <https://www.uakron.edu/international/>. Proof of English Language Proficiency is required by producing an acceptable TOEFL or IELTS score.

The MSA is an approved Federal STEM Degree Program. Graduates from this program residing on student visas are eligible for a 24-month optional practical training (OPT) extension beyond the standard 12-month period for this STEM-certified degree.

Degree Offered: MS Accountancy

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All students in the program will complete 30 credits of graduate courses to fulfill the requirements for the masters degree. They will complete nine credits of 500-level graduate courses during their fourth (senior) year and will complete 15 credits of 600-level core graduate courses along with two elective courses during their fifth year. The nine credits of 500-level graduate courses will count toward both their graduate and undergraduate degree programs. A total of 141 credits of graduate and undergraduate courses are required to complete the Accelerated BS/MSA program. Students wishing to obtain the CPA license must meet the 150 credit hour requirement.

BS/MSA students must complete a total of 30 graduate credits from the following groups of courses listed below.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Accelerated Courses (9 credits)		
ACCT 520	Advanced Financial Reporting and Analysis	3
ACCT 531	Business Entity Taxation	3
ACCT 540	Assurance Services and Professional Responsibilities	3
Required Courses (15 credits)		
ACCT 628	Tax Research and Business Analytics	3
ACCT 637	Business Analysis and Valuation	3
ACCT 658	Internal Audit and Enterprise Risk	3
ACCT 659	Data Analysis and Assurance Services	3
ACCT 665	Fraud and Financial Forensics	3
Electives (6 credits) ¹		
ACCT 554	Information Systems Security	3
ACCT 570	Governmental Accounting	3
ACCT 575	Experiential Learning in Tax	3
ACCT 615	Professional Colloquium I	3
ACCT 629	Tax Crimes and Forensics	3
ACCT 631	Corporate Taxation I	3
ACCT 633	Estate and Gift Taxation	3
ACCT 660	Professional Colloquium II	3
ACCT 662	S Corp Taxation	3

¹ Students who have completed a similar course to ACCT 554 or ACCT 570 at the undergraduate level must take a different course(s).