

BUSINESS: ACCOUNTING: ACCOUNTING, ASSURANCE, ADVISORY, MACC

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements-text>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policy-text>), 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 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

54 credits

Minimum
Residence
Credit
Requirement

24 credits

Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	27 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).
Other Grade Requirements	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

MAcc 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 MAcc 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 MAcc plan is as follows (30 total credits).

The MAcc 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 Information 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	Foundations of Auditing	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 406	Accounting and Analysis for Reporting Entities	
ACCT I S 603	Financial Statement Analysis	
ACCT I S 621	Corporate and Advanced Taxation	
ACCT I S 640	Foundation in Accounting Analytics	
ACCT I S 730	Advanced Auditing: Analysis, Policy, and Judgment	

ACCT I S 740	Information Risk, Control, & Forensics	
ACCT I S 770	Accounting Theory: Reporting Incentives and Consequences	
ACCT I S 771	Analysis of Performance Measurement & Control	
Complete a minimum of four and a maximum of six elective courses ¹		12-18
Total Credits		54

¹ Any course numbered 300 and above offered by the School of Business (including departments: ACCT I S, ACT SCI, FINANCE, GEN BUS, INFO SYS, INTL BUS, M H R, MARKETNG, OTM , REAL EST, or R M I) can be used to complete the required elective credits.