BUSINESS: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTING, MS

The first term for enrollment in the Master of Science in Business: Financial Management and Accounting is fall 2026.

UW-Madison is awaiting approval of this new academic program by the Student & Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) before we are able to accept prospective F-1 students into this program or issue a Form I-20 for this program. International students may apply for this program but will only be considered for admission if or when the program is approved.

Founded in 1900, the Wisconsin School of Business established one of the first five business programs in the nation. That legacy of leadership and entrepreneurial spirit continues.

As a student in the School of Business, you will find yourself inspired by peers, staff, alumni, business leaders, and world-renowned faculty who are focused, collaborative, and engaged in every aspect of the student experience. You will join a program that equips you to meet both academic and career challenges, and graduate with the skills to lead and transform business.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTING

The MS in Financial Management and Accounting degree helps students gain the technical expertise to launch an impactful career in financial analysis, financial advising, wealth management, financial management, corporate finance, or public accounting. Students learn how to report and communicate financial information using relevant accounting frameworks, and develop the skills to analyze data, apply tax principles, and assess business decisions to provide strategic advice. Students who earn the MS in Financial Management and Accounting degree will qualify to sit for the CPA exam in most states. Covering all the exam's core topics, the program's curriculum helps prepare students to pass the CPA exam.

Through the curriculum, students gain foundational expertise and handson experience in financial management and accounting, plus they are able to customize the degree to their goals by choosing additional coursework in one of three specialized career pathways: accounting analytics, financial advising, or capital management. Additionally, students benefit from career coaching, on-site recruitment, and connections to top companies.

The program is open to students with, or currently pursuing, a four-year undergraduate degree from an accredited university in a field other than accounting. Students must also have, or be currently pursuing, an undergraduate certificate in accounting or accounting fundamentals from UW-Madison, or equivalent from an accredited institution. No work experience is required.