

MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY (M.P.A.)

Sioux Falls - Hybrid Delivery

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The mission of the Accounting Programs at the University of South Dakota Beacom School of Business is to provide quality professional education in an environment that promotes critical thinking, fosters the exchange of ideas among scholars, and contributes value to the practice of accounting.

The **Master of Professional Accountancy (M.P.A.)** is designed to provide specialized training in accounting and related fields for those who wish to prepare for a career in public accounting and meet the 150-hour educational requirement for the CPA exam. In addition, the program provides training in accounting and related subjects for students seeking careers in industry, government service, or accounting education.

- The Hybrid M.P.A. program is a 30 credit hour program which features both online and face-to-face courses for convenient delivery to working adults. The 700-level MPA courses are offered online, and electives may either be taken face to face at University Center or online. The degree can be completed in as little as 24 months if the student has completed all prerequisite requirements.

- You can begin the program any term - Fall, Spring or Summer.

- You have up to 7 years to complete the program if you need time to progress slowly.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of the graduate application form at: www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm
- One official transcript of all prior academic work showing undergraduate degree earned.
- Two letters of recommendation - placed in separate, sealed envelopes and signed
- Statement of Purpose
- Resume
- Non-refundable application fee of \$ 35 made payable to the University of South Dakota.
- Official copy of GMAT scores. If you have not yet taken the GMAT, you may register to do so at www.mba.com.

International Students: Additional Admission Requirements:

- International Students must submit TOEFL scores and may be asked to have transcripts evaluated by ECE or WES.
- International Students must submit a statement of finances.

M.P.A. CORE CURRICULUM (10 COURSES)

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
ACCT 720	Seminar in Cost Accounting	3
ACCT 731	Seminar in Tax	3
ACCT 740	Seminar in Accounting Theory	3
ACCT 750	Contemporary Topics in Auditing	3
ACCT 760	Accounting in Government and Non-Profit Organizations	3
BADM 582*	Business Policy and Strategy	3
ACCT 780	Advanced Accounting	3
	Three Graduate Level Electives**	9

*BADM 582 may be substituted with an approved graduate elective if a Business Policy and Strategy class has previously been taken.

**Electives must be at the 500-level or above, approved by the MPA program director, and be a course that will assist in CPA exam preparation or business professional development.

TOTAL: 30 CREDIT HOURS

HOW TO APPLY:

Prospective graduate students may apply through the Graduate School at www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For more information, visit: www.SDUniversityCenter.org or contact:

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4801 N. Career Ave.
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605-367-5640



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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE ROTATIONS

UNDERGRADUATE PREREQUISITE REQUIREMENTS:

Course/No.	Course Title	Credits	Offered:
ACCT 210*	Principles of Accounting	3	University Center (Every Semester)
ACCT 211*	Principles of Accounting II	3	University Center (Every Semester)
ACCT 310	Intermediate Accounting I	3	University Center (Fall-Odd Years)
ACCT 311	Intermediate Accounting II	3	University Center (Spring-Even Years)
ACCT 320	Cost Accounting	3	University Center (Summer-Odd Years)
ACCT 360	Accounting Systems	3	University Center (Summer-Even Years)
ACCT 430	Income Tax Accounting	3	University Center (Spring-Odd Years)
ACCT 450	Auditing	3	University Center (Fall-Even)
BADM 220*	Business Statistics	3	University Center (Every Fall and Spring)
BADM 310	Finance	3	University Center (Every Semester)
BADM 350	Legal Environment of Business	3	University Center (Every Semester: DSU)
BADM 351	Business Law I	3	University Center (Fall-Even Years)
BADM 369*	Organizational Behavior and Theory	3	University Center (Fall-Odd Years)
BADM 370*	Marketing	3	University Center (Every Semester)
BADM 425	Production & Operations Management	3	University Center (Every Fall and Spring)
ECON 201*	Principles of Microeconomics	3	University Center (Every Semester: DSU)
ECON 202*	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	University Center (Every Semester: DSU)
MATH 121*	Survey of Calculus	3	University Center (Every Fall and Spring; Online Every Summer (DSU))

*Students with a Bachelor's degree may enroll in ACCT 520 Foundations of Accounting in lieu of ACCT 210 and 211, BADM 520 Foundations of Calc/Stats in lieu of MATH 121 and BADM 220, ECON 580 Foundations of Economics in lieu of ECON 201 and ECON 202, and BADM 580 Foundations of Marketing and Organizational Behavior in lieu of BADM 369 and BADM 370.

MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY CORE REQUIREMENTS: (30 CREDIT HOURS)

Course/No.	Course Title/Delivery Method	Rotation	Required Prerequisite
ACCT 720	Seminar in Cost Accounting - Online	Fall Even Years Beginning 2012	ACCT 320: Cost Accounting
ACCT 731	Seminar in Tax - Online	Summer Even Years Beginning 2012	ACCT 430: Income Tax Accounting
ACCT 740	Seminar in Accounting Theory - Online	Summer Odd Years Beginning 2013	ACCT 310 and ACCT 311: Intermediate Accounting 1 & 2
ACCT 750	Contemporary Topics in Auditing - Online	Spring Odd Years Beginning 2013	ACCT 450: Auditing
ACCT 760	Accounting in Government and Non-Profit Organizations - Online	Spring Even Years Beginning 2012	ACCT 210 and ACCT 211: Principles of Accounting 1 & 2
ACCT 780	Advanced Accounting - Online	Fall Odd Years Beginning 2013	ACCT 310 and ACCT 311: Intermediate Accounting 1 & 2
BADM 582*	Business Policy and Strategy - Face to Face at UC	Every Fall, Every Spring	
	Three Graduate Level Electives** - Face to Face at UC or Online	Every Semester	

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