Master of Science in Accounting

This 10-month MS Accounting (MS(A)) program prepares you to take the CPA exam while enhancing your technical skills, improving your written and oral communication skills, and developing your critical thinking and leadership skills. Whether you plan to pursue a career in assurance, tax, consulting or industry, the flexibility of the MS(A) program allows you to get the graduate-level educational experience you need to be successful. Pair this with the ability to pursue CMA certification throughout your studies and readiness to take the CPA exam, and you will appreciate the significant value in the 10-month program.

**Program Highlights**

- Compared to those with only a bachelor’s degree, MSA graduates are poised to capitalize on accelerated promotion opportunities and an estimated $1.5 million increased lifetime earning potential, when combined with a CPA license.
- Flexible curriculum for students with two tracks that include a CPA focus for public and corporate accounting and a CPA/CMA track designed for specialized corporate accounting.
- Customized plan of study which emphasizes advanced accounting electives, excel skills, research opportunities, professional and ethical standards, communication, and leadership.
- Active alumni network around the world that includes distinguished alumni such as Beth Brooke, CPA and Global Vice Chair at Ernst & Young (Forbes List of 100 Most Powerful Women).

**More Information**

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PLACEMENT PROFILE
MS Accounting

EMPLOYMENT:
92% Overall, 100% For Students With Permanent Work Auth.

SALARY:
Average Base $53,625

EMPLOYERS:
Public Accounting Employers
Deloitte
EY
KPMG
PricewaterhouseCoopers
RSM
Crowe Horwath
BKD
Plante Moran
DOZ
Blue
Katz, Sapper and Miller
And more...

Corporate Employers
Abbott Labs
Archer Daniels Midland
Caterpillar
General Mills
Citi
Eli Lilly
Morningstar
Raytheon
United Technologies
Cummins
And others...

Government Employers
FBI
IRS
Finance & Accounting Svcs.
And many more...

CURRICULUM

30 total required credits
15 Fall Semester credit hours
15 Spring Semester credit hours

The MS Accounting program features a flexible curriculum that encourages students to tailor their coursework to career goals. It includes a combination of required and elective courses, all while becoming CPA-exam ready.

Courses include:

• Advanced Auditing and Professional Practice
• Business Law for Accountants
• Communications for Accountants
• Government Nonprofit Accounting
• International Accounting
• Financial Statement Analysis
• Practicum in Taxation
• Consulting for Entrepreneurship
• Forensic Accounting
• Advanced Tax Accounting

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RANKINGS

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"The education you get prepares you very well for the CPA exam, there are real-world experiences that are not available at other schools, and there is an abundance of resources available to help you during your time here at Purdue as well as after you leave."

Ryan Brankin, ’18 MS Accounting

"The Krannert School of Management breaks down the entire process of starting a career from start to finish, leaving no stone unturned. The faculty and staff do everything in their power to give students opportunities to find careers once they have completed their education. With Krannert’s help, I had no shortage of interviews and job offers."

Aaron LoCicero, MS Accounting ’13
Tillbrook Melaleuka Group