Rutgers Business School

Excellence  Diversity  Access

Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting
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The Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting program goes beyond the basics of accounting to develop professionals with comprehensive insight into the world of business through a curriculum strongly focused on emerging technologies, analytical and communications skills, and a wide range of practice areas from forensic accounting, to business valuation, to litigation support, and more.

This innovative and convenient 30-credit program is designed for graduating accounting majors and accounting professionals who want to earn a graduate degree while meeting the 150-hour education requirement to be licensed as a CPA.

The program offers students the flexibility to start or continue their employment while pursuing the additional college credits to meet the 150-hour requirement. Two consecutive five-week summer sessions need to be taken on campus. All other classes are taken online.

The program focuses on enhancing the accounting professional’s knowledge of current issues facing the world of accounting. Graduates are prepared to pursue careers in public accounting, private industry, government, education, not-for-profit corporations, and consulting.

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More than 130 partners and principals in the Big Four firms are Rutgers alumni—representing one of the single greatest concentrations from major business schools. Graduates of Rutgers accounting programs are highly sought by all major accounting firms and corporations.

**Multidisciplinary Edge**

Today's global business environment requires accounting professionals who understand the impact of accounting on other business disciplines, the stewardship of corporate financial resources, and the current movement toward international accounting standards. Students in the Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting program may elect to take courses in other business disciplines such as finance, management, and international business to broaden their knowledge of these disciplines.

**#1 in Diversity**

*Creating Innovation in Companies*

Innovation is essential for corporations to maintain growth and stay ahead of the competition. These successful companies recognize diversity is a key ingredient to meeting their innovation goals. RBS is an integral part of a campus that has been ranked #1 in diversity since 1997 by *U.S. News & World Report*.

**Real-World, Global Experience**

Students in the Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting program benefit from a curriculum developed with the input of industry leaders, taught by experts in the subject areas. One example is the online business valuation course developed and taught by the former Executive Vice President in charge of the corporate valuation consulting practice at Standard & Poor's. Other real-world learning opportunities include:

- Decoding of Corporate Financial Communications
- Utilizing Technology in Auditing
- Analyzing Governance Issues
- Exploring Ethical Considerations in Today's Global Business Environment

**Curriculum**

Completion of the program requires 30 credit hours of course work. Students entering the program in the summer take five core courses during two consecutive five-week sessions. Remaining classes are taken online.

**Strategic Corporate Partnerships**

Geographically situated at the center of global business, RBS has high access to the top executives leading the world's largest corporations. Our partnerships with these companies are central to the RBS experience and offer our students distinct career advantages, evidenced by the success of over 30,000 RBS alumni.

The Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting program partners with leading representatives from the Big Four and regional accounting firms to ensure students receive broad exposure to the multifaceted aspects of today's world of business and finance, along with developing the leadership and team-building skills that lead to success.
**On-Campus Required Courses: (15 credits)**

Students entering the fall or spring take the elective courses and the core courses in the summer.

- Decoding of Corporate Financial Communication (3)
- Accounting in the Digital Era (3)
- Contemporary Governance Issues (3)
- Advanced Auditing and Accounting Information Systems (3)
- Advanced Accounting Research (3)

**Advanced Standing: Get a Jump Start**

A student may receive two credits for every three credits of undergraduate upper-division course work completed with a B or better in courses designated by the Department of Accounting & Information Systems as well as other courses, such as economics, information technology, and advanced statistics, that meet department requirements, up to a maximum of six credits.

**On-Line Elective Courses (15 credits)**

The balance of credits are electives taken on a part-time basis online. Students choose from available electives designated by the Department of Accounting, & Information Systems, subject to the approval of the director.

- Advanced Tax Research (3)
- Advanced Topics in Business Law (3)
- Audit Analytics (3) *
- Special Topics in Audit Analytics (3) *
- Business Valuations (3)
- Ethics in Business (3)
- Financial Analysis and Financial Risk Management (3)
- Forensic Accounting (3)
- Governmental Accounting and Auditing (3)
- Independent Study Research Project in Audit Analytics (3) *
- Information Risk Management (3) *
- Litigation, Support & Bankruptcy (3)
- Strategic Cost Analysis for Financial Management (3)
- Management Controls in Nonprofit Organizations (3)

* The Audit Analysis Certificate is an integrated approach for the needs of the modern audit professional. The program is an “add on” to our MACCY program designed to be a self-contained set of non-matriculated courses that can be taken by self-actualizing professionals that need to update their analytic skills and promote change in the profession towards a modern audit.

**Business Profile**

C. Daniel Stubbs, Jr., CPA, MBA
Director, Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting & Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Accounting & Information Systems

Professor Stubbs has a long and distinguished career in the accounting profession in both the public and private sectors, bringing a real-world perspective of the study of financial accounting to Rutgers students. He has served the profession in many capacities: Chief Financial Officer, Controller, Executive Director, New York State Board of Accountancy; current Vice-President on the Board of Directors of the New York Society of CPAs; and current Board Member of the Center for the Public Trust, an arm of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy. In addition to those responsibilities in the profession, he serves as faculty advisor to the Rutgers student chapter of the National Association of Black Accountants, Chair of the Advisory Board of Career Opportunities in the Accounting Profession (COAP) program at Pace University, and Treasurer of the Accounting Careers Awareness Program (ACAP) provided to high school students at Rutgers-Newark.

[Image of C. Daniel Stubbs, Jr., CPA, MBA]

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The Financial Accounting program is structured in a way that allows students to obtain a master’s degree without a significant delay to the start of their careers and related earning capabilities. Along with providing a solid knowledge base in accounting, the Financial Accounting program provides students with a broad perspective. They graduate with the knowledge and skills they need to get started and succeed in the accounting profession. It’s a program I highly recommend.”

**Paul Krieger,** Audit Partner, Deloitte & Touche

“The Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting program’s structure allowed me to obtain my graduate degree within a year, and to earn the 150 credits that I needed to sit for the CPA Exam. The dedication and knowledge of the professors, the teamwork and camaraderie with a diverse range of fellow students, and the access to career resources specifically targeted to the accounting profession, made my Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting experience extremely beneficial.”

**Derkyl Paton ('12)**

“The teamwork skills learned in the summer core courses went beyond my expectations. I had one year of working experience prior to attending the program and the team assignments reflected the skills I have used successfully in the work environment.”

**Chad Tobin ('12),** Troy Corporation

“The MACCY program not only gave me a strong foundation in corporate governance and forensic accounting, it also enabled me to transition into many different areas of accounting, ranging from tax planning to conducting internal audit engagements and risk assessments.”

**Danesha Chisholm ('09),** Ernst & Young

Career Management & Employment Outcomes

The Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting program actively assists students with their career development through its strong relationships with the Big Four, regional accounting firms, and other key employers. The program’s director also works closely with students on career planning and the creation of action plans, including the distribution of résumés to prime employers and scheduling of interviews. Fifty percent of students have positions prior to entering the program, and 90 percent are placed by graduation.
Rutgers Business School—Newark and New Brunswick (RBS) is an integral part of one of the nation’s oldest, largest, and most distinguished institutions of higher learning: Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. Founded in 1929, RBS has been accredited since 1941 by AACSB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business—a distinction that represents the hallmark of excellence in management education. Today, Rutgers Business School is educating more than 4,500 undergraduate and graduate students per year—and growing—at two main campuses in New Jersey as well as six satellite locations in New Jersey, China, and Singapore.

RBS students and faculty access a strong network of corporate partnerships and more than 30,000 Rutgers Business School alumni. Through a multidisciplinary approach with other Rutgers schools and departments, they also tap into a network of over 380,000 Rutgers University alumni. Steeped in academic excellence, with an international reputation for high-quality teaching and research, RBS is highly ranked by the Financial Times, U.S. News & World Report, Business Week, and The Wall Street Journal. It is recognized as the #1 Public MBA Program in the New York City region according to U.S. News & World Report; and is an integral part of the campus that is ranked #1 in diversity nationwide by U.S. News & World Report, since 1997.

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Rutgers faculty are among the most respected and productive researchers and educators in the world. Their achievements in an array of disciplines make the State University of New Jersey a national leader. Rutgers scholars have a strong representation in the following esteemed associations:

National Academy of Sciences: 23
National Academy of Engineering: 8
Institute of Medicine: 9

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