Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting

This innovative graduate degree program was designed for graduating college accounting majors who intend to become CPAs and need to earn 30 additional college credits to satisfy the “150 hours” requirement for professional accounting certification. Most students admitted in the summer complete half the program on campus and go on to finish the program by completing coursework in the fall and/or spring online. These students can complete the core courses prior to pursuing their full-time job opportunities in late summer or early fall and complete the courses thereafter online. If a student is admitted in the fall or the spring, students will have to complete the core courses in the subsequent summer.

The RBS master’s program differs from other programs because it is designed to provide flexibility for both students and accounting firms. Accounting graduates admitted into the program in the summer, who will begin work with a firm in September, can complete 60 percent of the degree requirement prior to joining the firm. The remaining courses can be taken online or on campus. This permits students who graduate from college in the spring, and are willing to go to school on a full-time basis in the summer, to begin their careers in the fall of the same year.

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 (our) Litigation Support & Bankruptcy course developed by a highly sought (regarded) expert witness. Another is the (our) online Ethics in Accounting course developed by the chairperson of the Joint Ethics Enforcement Program (JEEP), a collaboration of the AICPA and the state societies.

Other real-world learning opportunities include forensic advisory services and information risk management:

• Decoding of Corporate Financial Communications
• Utilizing Technology in Auditing
• Analyzing Governance Issues
• Exploring risk analyses and assessments using Fortune 500 companies’ data extracted from EDGAR, applying VBA Excel scripts, and creating senior management level dashboards with applications such as TABLEAU.

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Curriculum

The Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting requires 30 credits. Fifteen credits are earned during the summer session, when students are enrolled on a full-time basis. The remaining electives are earned online. Advanced standing is available for qualified courses.

Program Quick Facts

Credits: 30,
24 with advanced standing

Status:
Full-time during summer term
Online thereafter

Hybrid Program:
New Brunswick/Newark, summer term, and
distance learning

Term of entry: Fall, Spring

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Core Courses (15 credits)

The program is taught in two five-week sessions, with two classes per session held on the Livingston campus in New Brunswick/Piscataway and the Newark Campus. The first session begins in May. The second session begins immediately following the first session, usually in July. Two courses are taught in each session, with each class meeting twice a week. A fifth course, Advanced Accounting Research, spans the two five-week sessions.

22:010:660  Accounting in the Digital Era
22:835:628  Advanced Accounting Research
22:835:626  Advanced Auditing & Accounting Information Systems
22:010:661  Contemporary Issues in Corporate Governance
22:010:645  Decoding of Corporate Financial Communication

Admissions

Applicants should apply during their senior year of college using the Rutgers Business School Graduate Program Application Form. The following are required to complete your application package: Application Form, GMAT score, Résumé, Two letters of recommendation, Essay, College transcript. For Rutgers Business School accounting graduates, the GMAT for those accounting graduates who have at least a 3.0 GPA and letters of recommendations are waived.

The application deadline is May 1, June 1, and December 1

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