Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting

Information Session

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Program Timing/Structure

The RBS MAccy-FA program differs from other programs because it is designed to provide flexibility for both students and accounting firms, combining on-campus and online courses. Accounting graduates admitted into the program in the Summer can complete as much as 60 percent of the degree requirement via the on-campus courses prior to joining a firm with a September start-date. The remaining courses can be taken on an accelerated basis in the Fall via online delivery. Firms are willing to extend offers, recognizing the 150 credit-hour licensing requirement will be completed prior to year-end and the start of the “busy season”. 
Program Timing/Structure

The core courses are taught in two five-week sessions on the Livingston campus in New Brunswick/Piscataway and the Newark Campus. Two courses are taught in each session, with each class meeting twice a week Monday thru Friday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. A fifth course, Advanced Auditing & AIS, spans the two five-week sessions and is administered as a hybrid.

The electives are taken on a part-time basis on-line in the Fall and Spring semesters. Full time status requires 12 credits (4 courses).
Core Courses

- Decoding of Corporate Financial Communications
  - Strengthen ability to understand/interpret financial reporting

- Advanced Auditing & Accounting Information Systems
  - Increase familiarity with IT audit methodology

- Accounting for Digital Era
  - Increase understanding of accounting information evolution

- Contemporary Issues in Corporate Governance
  - Strengthen appreciation of roles/motivation of management and regulators

- Advanced Accounting Research
  - Hands-on familiarity with tools and practical application with team project
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Electives

1. Ethics in Business
2. Litigation Support & Bankruptcy
3. Governmental Accounting and Auditing
4. Advanced Topics in Business Law
5. Forensic Accounting

6. Audit Analytics
7. Special Topics in Audit Analytics
8. Information Risk Management
9. Independent Study in Audit Analytics

10. Strategic Cost Analysis for Financial Management
12. Advanced Tax Research
13. Management Controls in Not-for-Profit Orgs
Audit Analytics Certificate Program/Concentration

1. Audit Analytics
2. Special Topics in Audit Analytics
3. Information Risk Management
4. Independent Study in Audit Analytics

Non-matriculating Master of Financial Accounting students should contact Barbara Jensen bjensen@business.Rutgers.edu for registration into the Audit Analytics Certificate Program.
Financial Management (Corporate/CMA Track)

• Strategic Cost Analysis for Financial Management
  - Cost analytic techniques for management decision-making

• Financial Analysis and Financial Risk Management
  - Risk analyses

• Advanced Tax Research
  - Corporate tax considerations

• Management Controls in Not-For-Profit Organizations
  - Internal controls, COSO and Sox exploration
Advanced Standing

• Allows credit to be given for courses taken at the undergraduate level (3:2 ratio)*
• Graduates still need a total of 150 credits for licensure
• Acceptance criteria guidelines
  – Upper division courses only to qualify (must be AASCB institution / no community college coursework)
  – Undergraduate electives which substitute for Maccy electives
    • Some examples
      – Ethics (33:522:334)
      – Governmental Accounting (33:010:433)
      – Topics in Income Taxation (“Tax II”) (33:010:422)
      – Business Law II (33:140:321)

*Only admitted students can petition for Advanced Standing.
Key Dates

- Summer Orientation Tuesday May 24 on Livingston Campus
- First Summer Session begins Tuesday May 31
- First Summer Session ends Friday July 1
- Second Summer Session begins Tuesday July 11
- Second Summer Session ends Friday August 12
- Career Activities:
  - Career Workshop #1 – Friday June 10 (Newark Campus)
  - Career Workshop #2 – Friday June 24 (Livingston Campus)
  - Meet & Greet Event – Wednesday, July 13 (The Newark Club)
  - Mock Interviews – August 15 -17 (Newark Campus)

**All dates are subject to change.**
Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office has designed a program for students admitted to the Master of Accountancy in Financial Accounting.

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• MAccy Career Services

• Becker CPA Review Course
MAccy Career Services

• Our career activities are designed to provide you with valuable information and insights on accounting industry trends to assist you with developing excellent job search strategies and managing your career.

• A leading accounting industry expert conducts our workshops.

• We offer the following career events during the summer which will prepare you for successful interviewing:
MAccy Career Events

• **Two Career Workshops in June**
  - Topics included: Accounting Industry Overview, Trends & Success Factors; Developing Your Personal Brand; Designing Resumes; Interview Preparation; Networking Techniques; Business Etiquette

• **Meet & Greet Networking Event in July**
  - Meet and network with representatives from Big 4, national and regional accounting firms, corporations and MAccy Program alumni in a relaxed setting.

• **Mock Interview Sessions in August**
  - One-on-one, in-person interviews, coaching and written performance critiques.
MAccy Employment Results

• Highly successful Fall 2015 recruiting season

• 90% student placement rate

• Key Employers:
  Deloitte, EY, KPMG, PWC, BDO, CohnReznick, Crowe Horwath, Dorfman Abrams, Eisner Amper, Wiss, WithumSmithBrown, Office of the Comptroller, FINRA, VMS Fund Administration
Becker CPA Review Course

• Offered free of charge to MAccy FA students who do not have an employer paying for their review course.

• Highly endorsed by major accounting employers.

• All software and study materials are provided by Becker.
Becker CPA Review Course

• Self-paced – Create your own study plan.

• Take one section at a time, followed by taking the actual exam

• Recommended order for taking the CPA Exam:
  • FAR, AUD, REG, BEC