Master of Accountancy in Professional Accounting

Balance theory and practice to start your accounting career

The Rutgers Business School Master of Accountancy in Professional Accounting is a flexible, part-time accounting program for people who are looking to advance their career but don't have a traditional educational or professional accounting background.

With rolling start dates, courses offered online and at various locations, and the potential of transferrable credits for previous course work, this program affords great flexibility to students. The program also offers students the ability to enroll on a full-time basis as well as the option to transfer into the MBA in Professional Accounting program.

Faculty Profile: Alexander Sannella

Professor Sannella is currently a Professor of Accounting at the Rutgers Business School and the Director of the Master of Accountancy in Professional Accounting Program and the Director of the Rutgers Business School Teaching Excellence Center.

He received his Ph.D. in Accounting and Finance from New York University and is a New York State Certified Public Accountant. Dr. Sannella has over 40 years teaching experience at the university level and over 24 years' experience in developing and teaching commercial and investment bank training programs.

His training programs include courses designed for financial analysts, associates and special programs for sales and trading professionals.

He has public accounting experience as an auditor for PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP and KPMG, LLP. Dr. Sannella was also an independent consultant working on many projects with other public accounting firms, bankruptcy trustees and leasing divisions of major insurance companies.

Curriculum

The Master of Accountancy in Professional Accounting program is a 30-credit program that balances accounting theory and practice, and prepares students for the New Jersey CPA Exam. This curriculum will prepare you for a successful transition into a profession that offers a wide range of career opportunities in multiple sectors including public accounting, private accounting, government, education, non-profit and consulting.

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Sampling of Courses

- Accounting for Managers
- Auditing Concepts
- Business Law
- Governmental Accounting and Auditing
- Income Taxation
- Information Risk Management
- Intermediate Accounting
- Managerial and Cost Accounting
- Advanced Financial Accounting - Theory and Practice

Program Comparison

Rutgers Business School offers a variety of accounting programs based on your background and future career goals.

**Master in Professional Accounting Requirements:**
- Open to all applicants with an undergraduate business degree in an area other than accounting
- GMAT is not required

**Professional Accounting MBA Requirements:**
- Open to all undergraduate degrees and no professional full-time work experience is required.
- GMAT required but can be waived for RBS seniors with an undergraduate GPA above 3.2 and a record of service/leadership. For all other applicants, a waiver can be considered based on work experience and academic performance.

Career Outcomes

Our graduates are highly sought by all major accounting firms and corporations as evidenced by the fact that more than 130 partners and principals in the Big 4 accounting firms are Rutgers alumni. Select employers of program graduates include: Deloitte, Ernst & Young, KPMG, PwC.

> “Taking a direct interest in my development as a student, or my anticipated entry into the field, the faculty helped prepare me to work effectively with clients and colleagues.”
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> – Jeff Mraz, Audit Partner, Deloitt & Touche