

Accounting Analytics

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MS in Accounting Analytics website (<http://business.marquette.edu/academics/msa/>)

DEGREE OFFERED

Master of Science in Accounting Analytics, Plan B Non-Thesis option only.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The master of science in accounting analytics program is designed to provide students with the broad range of skills that successful accounting professionals need in today's complex and changing business environment. Courses emphasize technical knowledge in the functional areas of accounting, stress communication skills and promote awareness of the accountant's ethical and social responsibilities. Accounting Analytics provides grounding in accounting, auditing and financial reporting coupled with the analytics skills vital for today's data-rich environment. The accounting analytics program meets the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) requirement for individual membership in that organization, and eligibility to take the CPA examination. The M.S.A. program is accredited by the Association for the Advancement of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB-International) and reflects the high standards and expectations of that accreditation.

PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION

Admission to the accounting analytics program requires: a) a four-year bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major in accounting or equivalent undergraduate course work preferred; b) an acceptable record of academic achievement at the bachelor's level and in any previous graduate course work; c) acceptable scores on required admission tests; and d) an overall composite profile of admission data (including an evaluation of previous work experience) that predicts success in the program.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Students may apply for Regular Degree, Temporary Non-degree or Non-degree status. It is recommended that students apply for Regular Degree Status when possible. The application is online via the GSM website (<http://business.marquette.edu/academics/gsm/>). Then click on Apply Now.

1. A completed application form and fee.
2. Essay questions on the application form.
3. Official transcripts from all current and previous colleges/universities except Marquette.
4. Official test scores from the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Records Exam (GRE).
 - Applicants may request a waiver of the GMAT/GRE requirement if they have earned an overall grade point average of 3.00 or higher with proof of quantitative course coverage from an AACSB accredited school.
5. Resume or job profile.
6. (For international applicants or applicants applying for Graduate School financial aid, i.e. assistantship positions) three letters of recommendation.
7. (For international applicants only) an official TOEFL score or other acceptable proof of English proficiency.

Note: Temporary non-degree applicants (admission valid for one term only) must submit all of the above, except the GMAT or GRE scores. Temporary non-degree status is not available to international students. International applicants must apply for regular degree admission status.

Students are encouraged to complete all application materials and apply for degree status. Temporary non-degree status is valid for one term only. Temporary non-degree status students are not eligible to continue taking accounting analytics classes beyond one term without degree admissions. Typically, non-degree admission is not recommended in the accounting analytics program.

All application material should be sent to:

Marquette University Graduate School of Management
Holthusen Hall, Third Floor
P.O. Box 1881
Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881

or by courier to: Marquette University Graduate School of Management; 1324 W. Wisconsin Ave., Room 305; Milwaukee, WI 53233.

Master of Science in Accounting Analytics

The master of science in accounting analytics program is a 30-31 credit hour program.

ACCOUNTING REQUIRED COURSE WORK (13 credits)

ACCO 6001	Accounting Professional Communication ¹	1
ACCO 5060	Accounting Analytics	3
ACCO 6511	Taxation of Corporations and Partnerships	3
ACCO 6520	Advanced Corporate Issues	3
ACCO 6535	Fraud Examination and Analytics	3
Total Credit Hours		13

¹ Pending successful coverage in accounting communications in undergraduate studies, ACCO 6001 may be waived and the program reduced to 30 credits.

REQUIRED BUSINESS ANALYTICS CORE (12 CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED)

MBA 6100 or COSC 6520	Business Analytics	3
INSY 5056	Information Systems Governance	3
COSC 5820	Ethical and Social Implications of Data	3
COSC 6510	Business Intelligence	3

ACCOUNTING ELECTIVE COURSE WORK (6 CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED)

ACCO 5040 or ACCO 6040	International Accounting	
ACCO 5045 or ACCO 6045	International Taxation	
ACCO 5050 or ACCO 6050	Accounting Information Systems	
ACCO 5080 or ACCO 6080	Analysis of Corporate Financial Statements	
ACCO 5119 or ACCO 6119	Tax Research	
ACCO 5931 or ACCO 6931	Topics in Accounting	
ACCO 6525	Governmental Accounting	
ACCO 6570	Auditing: Ethical, Legal, Professional and Reporting Responsibilities	
ACCO 6590	Accounting Theory	
ACCO 6953	Seminar in Accounting	

Accelerated Degree PROGRAM

This five-year bachelor's-master's accelerated degree program allows students to earn both their master of science in accounting analytics and an undergraduate degree from the College of Business Administration. Undergraduate students begin their graduate work in their junior year by taking two to three graduate-level courses, or 6-9 credit hours. A maximum of 9 credits may count for both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.

Should a student be denied admission to the master of science in accounting analytics program, the courses are counted toward the undergraduate degree only. A minimum grade of B is required for courses taken as a undergraduate student for graduate credit to apply toward graduate program requirements. Upon completion of the first term as a master's candidate, the student must petition the appropriate Graduate School of Management program director to transfer the courses taken as an undergraduate to the master's degree.

To be considered for admission to the five-year program, applicants must formally apply to the Graduate School of Management during their senior year at Marquette University, complete all of the application requirements as listed above and indicate on their application that they are applying for the five-year program. For information, contact the Accounting Department at (414) 288-8069, or send an email to qianhua.ling@marquette.edu.