

MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY STUDENT HANDBOOK

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SECTION I. MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER, GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Congratulations on being accepted into our Master of Accountancy (MAcc) program at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. This is a major accomplishment that comes with a significant financial, academic, and personal commitment on your part. The College of Business at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi has developed this student handbook to ensure that you are successful and kept informed regarding program specific expectations and requirements, and resources and services available to you. It was developed electronically to provide you live links to other useful information.

The College of Business Graduate Studies office is located on the second floor of the O'Connor Building, Suite 234. Hours of operation are 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday – Friday. Please feel free to stop by any time and/or share any suggestions on how to improve this student handbook. Best of luck on your exciting, new undertaking! I look forward to talking with you.

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SECTION III. ADMISSIONS

Program Admission Requirements

Applicants must comply with University procedures and meet University standards for admission. Applicants must submit to the College of Graduate Studies a Graduate Admission Application. Also required are two letters of recommendation from persons able to evaluate the applicant's professional or academic performance, a resume or curriculum vitae, and other information that may have influenced the applicant's decision to pursue graduate study or deemed important to individual or career goals. Applicants are required to submit Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores prior to admission. Generally, GMAT and GRE scores will not be accepted if over five years old.

Admission decisions are made on the basis of undergraduate performance, GMAT or GRE scores, experience, and other indicators of the ability to pursue graduate study successfully. To be accepted in the graduate program, in addition to other requirements, applicants must be in good standing at the college or university they previously attended. Official notification of the admission decision is issued by the Office of the Dean of the College of Business and is sent directly to the applicant. The College of Business does not have a "non-degree seeking" graduate admission classification. Normally, no credit will be applied toward a master's degree for graduate classes taken prior to acceptance into a graduate degree program in business.

- Apply for Admission via <u>Apply Texas Application</u>
- An applicant may defer admission to an earlier / later term. Applications are valid for one year. One deferral is allowed per application.
- \$50 for US citizens, \$70 for International Students
- Official transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate course work taken at any accredited college or University attended (International applicants will be required to submit relevant International transcripts)
- Official GMAT or GRE scores (Within five years of the date of application)
 - May be waived for applicants whose last 60 hours GPA is at least 3.0
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- Essay (minimum 500 words in length which includes educational and professional goals and the reason for applying to the program.)
- Two letters of recommendation

Program Admission Deadlines

The Master of Accountancy program is 100% online. Admission deadlines can be found at <u>https://online.tamucc.edu/degrees/business/master-of-accountancy/</u>.

Admission Review Process/ Timeline

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SECTION IV. ACADEMIC PROGRESSION

Degree Plan

Students with nonbusiness undergraduate degrees may need to take the following courses:

ACCT 2301 Financial Accounting ACCT 2302 Managerial Accounting ACCT 3311 Intermediate Accounting I ACCT 3312 Intermediate Accounting II ACCT 3314 Cost Accounting ACCT 3314 Cost Accounting ACCT 3321 Federal Income Tax I ACCT 4311 Auditing Principles and Procedures ACCT 4355 Accounting Information Systems ECON 5311 Foundations in Economics ORMS 5310 Statistical and Decision Analysis FINA 5311 Financial Management Concepts

Master of Accountancy Advanced Courses:

ACCT 5371 Professional Accounting Research ACCT 5391 Integrative Seminar in Accounting

Three of the following four courses: ACCT 5341 Advanced Auditing & Assurance Services ACCT 5351 Strategic Cost Management ACCT 5355 Information Systems in Accounting ACCT 5381 Accounting Theory

Three graduate accounting electives

Two graduate accounting or business electives

Culminating Event/Exit Requirements

Capstone: ACCT 5391

SECTION V. COURSE OFFERING SEQUENCE

| | FALL | SPRING | SUMMER | |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Advanced | ACCT 5341 | ACCT 5341 | ACCT 5341 | |
| Courses | ACCT 5351 | ACCT 5351 | ACCT 5371 | |
| | ACCT 5355 | ACCT 5355 | ACCT 5381 | |
| | ACCT 5371 | ACCT 5381 | ACCT 5391 | |
| | ACCT 5391 | ACCT 5391 | | |
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| Accounting | BLAW 5345 | ACCT 5337 | ACCT 5317 | |
| Electives | | ACCT 5340 | ACCT 5337 | |
| | | BLAW 5345 | BLAW 5345 | |
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| Business | MISY 5325 | MISY 5325 | MISY 5325 | |
| Electives | OPSY 5315 | OPSY 5315 | OPSY 5315 | |
| | ECON 5315 | ECON 5315 | ECON 5315 | |
| | FINA 5320 | FINA 5320 | FINA 5320 | |
| | MGMT 5320 | MGMT 5320 | MGMT 5320 | |
| | MKTG 5320 | MKTG 5320 | MKTG 5320 | |

SECTION VI. PROGRAM SPECIFIC INFORMATION

<u>Student Organizations</u> Student Accounting Society (SAS)