The Master of Science in Accounting program is designed to prepare candidates to satisfy the 150 credit hours requirement and to position them for success in the CPA exam. The program will position successful graduates for careers in professional services firms, business corporations, governmental agencies, and business consulting firms among others. The program provides students with in-depth accounting knowledge and skills necessary to be successful accounting professionals. Notably, there is a large demand for well-trained accounting professionals in public and private accounting, as well as in government.

### MS in Accounting Curriculum

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**Elective Courses (12 credits)**

Select four of the following:

- AC 640 Financial Statement Analysis
- AC 665 Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination
- AC 675 Governmental and Not-For-Profit Accounting
- BAN 610 Introduction to Business Analytics
- CIS 600 Information Systems Strategy
- EC 600 Managerial Economics
- MBA 610 Business Decision Analysis

**Total Credits** 30

### Student Learning Outcomes

Students who graduate with this degree will demonstrate:

1. **Professional Communication**: an ability to communicate complex accounting reports and other financial information in both technical and common language; a proficiency in the use of information technology packages to process information and to effectively complete tasks in applicable areas.

2. **Business Analytics and Critical Thinking**: proficiency in the use of statistical and analytical tools to analyze complex accounting problems and will be able to make practical and reliable decisions as appropriate in order to resolve problem.

3. **Business Environment**: the capacity to recognize ethical issues encountered in public and private accounting environments and consider resolutions that are legal and ethical with appropriate consideration on the firms’ material stakeholders; knowledge of the issues involved in Multinational Corporation accounting including a strong understanding of the issues in international financial reporting standards.

4. **Accounting Integration**: knowledge of the principles and standards applied to financial reporting for U.S. corporations (U.S. GAAP) and to financial reporting for specialized industries and organizations such as non-profits and governments; an understanding of the relevant professional standards.

### Master of Science in Accounting Dual-Degree Programs

- **Accelerated Dual-Degree BS/MSA (3+1)** ([http://catalog.qu.edu/graduate-studies/business/accounting-ms/accelerated-dual-degree-bs-ms](http://catalog.qu.edu/graduate-studies/business/accounting-ms/accelerated-dual-degree-bs-ms))
- **Dual-Degree BS/MSA or BA/MSA (4+1)** ([http://catalog.qu.edu/graduate-studies/business/accounting-ms/dual-degree-bs-ms](http://catalog.qu.edu/graduate-studies/business/accounting-ms/dual-degree-bs-ms))

Applicants are required to submit a resume, letter of intent, three letters of recommendation, official transcripts (recommended GPA of 3.0 or higher), and either GMAT or GRE exam results. (Recommended GMAT score of 500 or better, recommended GRE score of 150 or better in each section).