



ONLINE

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING

AN AFFORDABLE MASTER'S DEGREE FOR ACCOUNTANTS THAT BRANDS YOU AS A FINANCIAL LEADER

Become the accounting manager organizations fight to hire!

Strong financial skills aren't enough. Companies look for solid managers with clear communication skills, ethical business practices, and thorough management strategies to lead their organization. The online Master of Science in Accounting program at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota identifies you as an accounting professional who exudes excellence with advanced accounting practices and strong leadership skills. We provide:

- Highly relevant business topics such as: financial communication, leadership, ethics, information systems, and strategic management.
- An in-depth knowledge of corporate responsibility, strategic planning, cost management, and loss prevention as well as forensic and non-profit accounting.
- Content knowledge to help prepare you for the CPA exam and/or the Certified Management Accountant (CMA) exam.*

ACCOUNTANTS ARE HUMAN, TOO

Companies compete to hire ethical accounting managers with proven communication skills and a strong foundation in business management. An M.S. in Accounting from Saint Mary's shows you have the business insight to lead their organization and their teams. When you complete the program you'll be able to:

- Evaluate complex accounting situations and communicate difficult financial information in a clear and concise manner
- Articulate a process for making ethical decisions.
- Manage accounting teams to achieve established goals.
- Achieve established goals by managing accounting teams.
- Assess emerging and global accounting issues that can contribute to organizational success.

* This program allows students to earn credits required to sit for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam. This program is not designed or intended to meet any specific state accounting certification requirements. CPA requirements vary by state and students are responsible for verifying requirements for certification with their state before entering into any degree program.



BE GREATER THAN THE SUM

Leading your organization demands more than strong financial skills. It demands business and managerial acumen. That's why Saint Mary's online Master of Science in Accounting (MSA) instills the advanced accounting practices as well as soft skills to teach you the human side of accounting. Unlike other graduate programs that focus solely on advanced accounting skills, the core curriculum of Saint Mary's program emphasizes highly relevant business topics such as

- Financial communication
- Leadership
- Ethics
- Information systems
- Strategic management

THE ONLINE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING CURRICULUM

The Saint Mary's M.S. in Accounting program was designed by high-ranking accounting professionals dedicated to creating a program that would develop the type of accounting professional they'd fight to hire and lead their teams.

CPA firm partners, CFOs, and other accounting leaders collaborated to produce an accountancy graduate program that placed a hard emphasis on communication, leadership and management skills, in addition to the advanced accountancy knowledge needed.

The emphasis of the curriculum is demonstrated through the teaching methods of an experienced faculty who possess real-world accounting experience and leadership skills. Their proficiencies in business benefits students in connecting practical application and theory, and develops the link between strategic management and leadership.



Saint Mary's University of Minnesota is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.
www.hlcommission.org

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The program consists of 30 credits (10 courses of 3 credits each) and can be completed in 20 months.*

Core Courses — 24 credits

ACCT 600 Financial Communication	3 cr.
ACCT 610 Leadership and Ethics.....	3 cr.
ACCT 620 Accounting Information Systems.....	3 cr.
ACCT 630 Advanced Audit and Internal Controls.....	3 cr.
ACCT 650 Forensic Accounting and Fraud Analysis	3 cr.
ACCT 660 Strategic Management Accounting	3 cr.
ACCT 670 Taxation and Business Decisions	3 cr.
ACCT 680 Contemporary and Emerging Issues	3 cr.

Elective Courses — 3 credits

Select one

ACCT 640 Nonprofit and Government Accounting	3 cr.
HRM 601 Human Resource Management Strategy	3 cr.
PRM 600 Foundations of Project Management.....	3 cr.
MBA 643 Corporate Finance.....	3 cr.
CYB 600 Foundations of Cybersecurity	3 cr.
BIA 620 Business Analytics	3 cr.

Capstone — 3 credits

ACCT690 Master's Capstone	3 cr.
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For current degree requirements, visit the Saint Mary's University of Minnesota Course Catalog at <https://catalog.smumn.edu>.

**Students who do not have an accounting undergraduate degree may be required to take up to three online foundation courses.*

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