

ACCOUNTANCY (MPA)

Description

The Master of Professional Accountancy (M.P.A.) emphasizes the use of accounting as an analytical tool for understanding business and public affairs while preparing students for professional careers in public accounting, industry, or government. Our mission is to inspire lifetime learning at the leading edge of Accounting education and research.

Goals and Learning Outcomes:

1. Demonstrate effective communication skills appropriate in a business environment
 - a. LO – Develop and orally present a professional presentation
 - b. LO – Professionally write clear and concise conclusions/recommendations
2. Demonstrate technical proficiency in audit, taxation, and financial accounting
 - a. LO – Solve accounting problems or issues in the areas of audit, taxation and/or financial accounting
 - b. LO – Evaluate and present relevant information to aid in decision making
3. Demonstrate the ability to solve complex accounting issues using data
 - a. LO – Collect, prepare, and analyze data to support sound conclusions
4. Demonstrate an awareness of ethical issues and professional responsibilities
 - a. LO – Recognize and deal with ethical issues in a professional manner

Program-Related Information

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Program Website

<https://business.unl.edu/academic-programs/departments/accounting/>

Applying for Admission

Standard requirements for all graduate programs

- Application for Admission with \$50 non-refundable application fee (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#appfee>).
- Transcripts (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#transcripts>) (unofficial): Uploaded as part of application form.
If International: Uploads must include all college- or university-level transcripts or mark sheets (records of courses and marks earned), with certificates, diplomas, and degrees plus certified English translations.

After admission: Official documents are required from all students who are admitted and enroll. Photocopies of certified records are not acceptable. International students

enrolled in other U.S. institutions may have certified copies of all foreign records sent directly to the Office of Graduate Studies by their current school's registrar office.

- If applicant's native language is not English, verification of English proficiency (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/english-proficiency/>) is required.

When sending TOEFL scores, our institution code is 6877 and a department code is not needed.

- If applicant is not a US citizen and expects an F or J visa: financial information (<https://graduate.unl.edu/prospective/international/financial/>).
- Applicants must also fulfill any additional requirements the department specifies at the time of application.

Additional requirements specific to this program

- Entrance Exam: GMAT. You may request a GMAT waiver if you have a GPA of at least 3.0 both overall and for all accounting courses taken.
- Resume
- Personal Statement: This one-page statement of purpose should discuss your area of interest in accounting, why you want to earn this degree, and what you hope to accomplish with it.
- Letters of recommendation: 2-3 letters, at least one from an accounting professor.
- Academics: A typical successful applicant for this MPA program will have a GPA of at least 3.0 both overall and for all accounting courses taken.

Admission Application Deadlines

- For Fall fellowship consideration, apply by April 15.