The Master of Science in Accounting program is designed for individuals with an undergraduate specialization in accounting or finance who wish to advance their education. Specifically, the program can benefit students preparing to seek CPA licensure; those who have passed the CPA exam and are seeking to meet additional academic requirements for CPA licensure; and licensed CPAs seeking a credential that may enable them to teach accounting in higher education institutions.

The MSAC program requires successful completion of 30 semester-credit hours. The program includes elective courses that provide flexibility in customizing the program to meet professional and personal goals. Total program length varies based on the number of courses taken per eight-week session.

Knowledge and Skills

- Preparing students to apply current accounting theory and practice in a wide range of occupations.
- Providing students with additional academic work required to pursue professional licensure.
- Providing students who are licensed accountants with career-enhancement capabilities through an advanced study of accounting.
- Enabling students to analyze new and existing regulations and standards.
- Equipping students to conduct accounting research regarding technical, tax and audit issues.

Note: Credits and degrees earned from this institution do not automatically qualify the holder to participate in professional licensing exams to practice certain professions. Persons interested in practicing a regulated profession must contact the appropriate state regulatory agency for their field of interest. For instance, typically 150 credit hours of education are required to meet state regulatory agency education requirements for CPA licensure.

Programs, course requirements and availability vary by location. Some courses may be available online only. All students enrolled in site-based programs will be required to take some coursework online and, for some programs and locations, a substantial portion of the program may be required to be completed online. Keller’s academic catalog, available via keller.edu/catalogs, contains the most current and detailed program information, including admission, progression and graduation requirements. Information contained herein is effective as of date of publishing.

DID YOU KNOW?

Keller’s Master of Science in Accounting program has achieved voluntary specialized accounting accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP, www.acbsp.org), demonstrating that it has met standards of business education that promote teaching excellence.

ACCT525  Current Issues in Accounting
ACCT540  Professional Research for Accountants
ACCT601  Accounting Capstone

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CAREERS IN ACCOUNTING

Graduates of DeVry University's Keller Graduate School of Management Accounting program may consider careers including, but not limited to, the following:

- Accountant
- Accounting Manager
- Auditor
- Budget Analyst
- Budget Director
- Controller1
- Credit Analyst
- Director of Corporate Strategy1
- Director of Financial Planning1
- Director of Financial Reporting1
- Director of Taxation1
- Environmental (Green) Accountant
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Examiner
- Financial Manager
- Financial Planner
- Financial Reporting Analyst
- Forensic Accountant/Fraud Investigator1
- Internal Auditor
- International Accounting Specialist1
- Management Accountant
- Merger and Acquisitions Analyst
- Payroll Manager
- Payroll Staff
- Public Accountant1
- Risk Manager
- Strategic Planner
- Tax Examiner/Collector
- Tax Manager and Revenue Agent
- Tax Specialist1
- Postsecondary Business Teacher

1Employment in this occupation may require years of relevant experience.
2Additional hours of industry-specific training may be required to obtain employment in this field.
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PROGRAM-SPECIFIC COURSEWORK

ACCT530 Accounting Ethics and Related Regulatory Issues
ACCT552 Cost Accounting
ACCT555 External Auditing
ACCT556 Budgeting
ACCT559 Advanced Financial Accounting and Reporting Issues
ACCT560 Advanced Studies in Federal Taxes and Management Decisions
ACCT562 Auditing: An Operational and Internal Perspective Including Fraud Examination
ACCT563 Advanced Managerial Accounting Issues
ACCT564 International Accounting and Multinational Enterprises
ACCT567 Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting
ACCT571 Accounting Information Systems
ACCT572 Accounting Fraud Examination Concepts
ACCT573 Accounting Fraud Criminology and Ethics
ACCT574 Forensic Accounting: Ethics and the Legal Environment
ACCT591 CPA Exam Preparation: Auditing and Attestation
ACCT592 CPA Exam Preparation: Business Environment and Concepts
ACCT593 CPA Exam Preparation: Financial Accounting and Reporting
ACCT594 CPA Exam Preparation: Regulation

FIN512 Entrepreneurial Finance
FIN515 Managerial Finance
FIN516 Advanced Managerial Finance
FIN560 Securities Analysis
FIN561 Mergers and Acquisitions
FIN564 Management of Financial Institutions
FIN565 International Finance
FIN567 Options and Financial Futures Markets
FIN575 Advanced Financial Statement Analysis
FIN580 Personal Financial Planning
FIN590 Real Estate Finance

6 semester-credit hours required from the ACCT (previously listed) or following FIN courses

6 semester-credit hours required. Students may choose any courses for which they meet the prerequisite(s).

Note: For those wishing to pursue CPA certification, the CPA exam-preparation courses (ACCT591, ACCT592, ACCT593, and ACCT594) are recommended.

Note: All students planning to sit for the CPA exam in Texas should follow the academic plan outlined in the academic catalog. Students planning to sit for the CPA exam in Texas should note that a significant percentage of coursework must be completed successfully onsite.

For comprehensive consumer information, visit keller.edu/studentconsumerinfo. Important information about the education debt, earnings and completion rates of students who attended this program can be found at keller.edu/ma-ge.