

Accounting

Degree Type

Master of Science (MS)

Admission Requirements

Admissions criteria for the Master of Science in Accounting (MS) Program

Graduate Admissions - Masters level

Prospective students are required to submit the following:

- Completion of application for admission
- Official transcripts for bachelor or graduate degree within 5 weeks* of the class start date. (All credentials earned outside the United States must be evaluated by a NACES or AICE-member credential evaluation service). Please speak with an admissions representative for more information.

Note: See program notes and specific requirements below for each graduate - masters level degree program

**Effective August 14, 2023 – Students beginning classes at Online Programs will have five weeks to submit acceptable documentation.*

Specific requirements for admission to classified graduate status are:

- A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
- Completion of application for admission.
- A 2.7 overall grade point average or higher on completed requirements for the baccalaureate degree, or, an earned graduate degree from an accredited institution with a CGPA of 3.0 or higher.

Admissions criteria for the Master of Science in Accounting (MS) Program:

- Completion of application for admission,
- An earned undergraduate degree from an acceptable accredited institution with a CGPA of 2.7 or better on a 4.0 scale

For additional admissions information please see the admissions section [here](#).

Program Overview and Outcomes

Offered at Online Programs

Note: Not all Online Program offerings are available to residents of all U.S. states. Please contact an admissions representative for further information.

Master of Science in Accounting

The Master of Science in Accounting (MSA) degree program at South University is designed to prepare students with an undergraduate accounting degree for careers in professional accounting, including corporate and/or public

accounting. The accounting coursework contained in the MSA program, may allow a student to qualify to take the Certified Public Accounting (CPA) Examination. Students should familiarize themselves with the specific candidacy requirements of the State Board of Accountancy in the particular state in which they wish to take the CPA examination.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Graduates will be able to:

1. Apply critical analysis skills to apply contemporary accounting principles and practices to the decisions faced by evolving business organizations.
2. Integrate principles of accounting, economics, finance, law, risk, and management to articulate innovative solutions to organizational challenges.
3. Integrate the auditing process, including the synthesis of information systems and communications, internal controls, and corporate governance.
4. Critique and apply the concepts, principles, and methods gleaned from professional and academic accounting research to challenges in the accounting profession.
5. Assess ethical, legal, and professional responsibilities required in the accounting profession.

Master of Science in Accounting: 48 credits

Course Code	Title	Credits
ACC5001	Ethics and Accounting	4.0
ACC5328	Intermediate Financial Accounting III	4.0
ACC5335	Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting	4.0
ACC5348	Advanced Financial Accounting	4.0
ACC5360	External Auditing and Assurance	4.0
ACC5372	Federal Taxation II	4.0
ACC6311	Advanced Accounting Information Systems	4.0
ACC6330	Advanced Financial Reporting	4.0
ACC6345	Intermediate Cost Management	4.0
ACC6362	Forensic and Fraud Auditing	4.0
ACC6374	Advanced Taxation	4.0
ACC6999	Capstone Review	4.0
Total Credits		48