

Accountancy (MS)

The Master of Science in Accountancy is designed for students with bachelor's degrees in business areas, including accounting. The program equips students with the necessary tools to effectively interpret and use accounting and financial information. It meets the standards adopted by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International - for special accreditation of accounting programs and the August 1, 2009, 150 credit hour requirements to sit for the NY State CPA exam. In addition to these benefits, the program also provides opportunities to develop "soft skills" in order to readily be able to communicate in CPA firms. Students with many course waivers must complete a minimum of 30 credits overall to receive the MS degree. Students with non-business undergraduate degrees can also apply, but are encouraged to consider the [MBA accounting major](#) which also meets the CPA requirements.

English Language Proficiency		
Students who completed their undergraduate education in a non-English speaking country will be required to take non-credit bearing modules in Grammar Troubleshooting and American English Pronunciation offered by the Division of Continuing and Professional Studies. These modules may be waived based on a waiver exam. The modules are not required for students who completed a four-year degree in an English-speaking country.		
General Business Requirements (36 credits)		
Students with appropriate background will be able to reduce the number of required credits in general business requirements, with the exception of BUS 9557.		
BUS 9557	Managerial Skills for Accountancy Professionals (not subject to waiver)	3 credits
CIS 9001	Information Systems for Managers I	1.5 credits
ECO 9730*	Firms in the Global Economy	1.5 credits
ECO 9740	Fundamentals of Macroeconomics	1.5 credits
FIN 9770**	Corporate Finance	3 credits
LAW 9800	Business Contracts and Law of Corporations	4 credits
MGT 9300	Management: A Behavioral Approach	3 credits
MKT 9703	Marketing Management	3 credits
STA 9708***	Managerial Statistics	3 credits
Additional advanced business (Zicklin) courses in areas other than accounting and taxation		12.5 credits
CPA Accounting and Taxation Requirements (34 credits)		
ACC 9112	Financial Accounting: Intensive	3 credits
ACC 9804	Intermediate Financial Accounting	4 credits
ACC 9805	Advanced Financial Accounting	4 credits
ACC 9811	Managerial Accounting Theory and Practice	4 credits
ACC 9818	Auditing and Accounting Information Systems	3 credits
ACC 9821	Auditing	4 credits
TAX 9861	Federal Income Taxation: Theory and Practice	3 credits

TAX 9878	Taxation of Business Entities	3 credits
At least two electives to be selected from the following:		
ACC 9806	Financial Statement Analysis and Reporting	3 credits
ACC 9810	Current Topics in Financial Accounting	3 credits
ACC 9815	Advanced Managerial Accounting	3 credits
ACC 9993	Special Topics in Accountancy (Formerly ACC 9901)	3 credits
To achieve the minimum of 30 credits required to earn the MS in accountancy, students with baccalaureate degrees in accountancy who have taken equivalent courses to those listed above and earned a grade of B or better may choose electives from among any Zicklin graduate courses for which the prerequisites have been met. (This does not include courses on the list of general business requirements that have been waived.)		
* Formerly Eco 9730 Fundamentals of Microeconomics; new course title effective Spring 2017. ** Formerly Fin 9770 Financial Decision making; new course title effective Spring 2017. *** Formerly STA 9708 Applied Statistical Analysis for Business Decisions; new course title effective Spring 2017.		