The 10-month residential MS Accounting (MSA) program prepares you to take the CPA exam while enhancing your technical skills, improving your written and oral communication, and developing your critical thinking and leadership abilities. The 30-credit hour program provides you with the data analytics skills that accounting employers seek and prepares you for public, nonprofit, government or corporate accounting. Whether you plan to pursue a career in assurance, forensic accounting, or consulting, the flexibility of the MSA program allows you to choose your area of focus and complete 1-2 internships. Pair this with the built-in access to the Becker Fast Pass CPA prep course and you’ll be well prepared to pass the CPA exam and launch your career.

**PATHWAY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

- To be eligible to apply, students must be admitted to the Daniels School of Business, declare Accounting as their undergraduate major, and complete at least 30 credit hours, either through coursework or Advanced Placement credits.
- To be eligible for admission, students must complete MGMT 20000 (Introductory Accounting), MGMT 20100 (Management Accounting I), and MGMT 35000 (Intermediate Accounting I) as part of their 30 credit hours.
- Successful applicants may be admitted starting in their sophomore year, and must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA to remain eligible.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- MSA student first-time CPA pass rate is 22% higher than undergraduate test takers.
- The first-time pass rate of the CPA Audit section jumps from 54% to 93% with an MSA.
- MSA students have access to the Becker Fast Pass CPA prep course and materials.
- Compared to those with only a bachelor’s degree, MSA graduates are poised to capitalize on accelerated promotion opportunities and an estimated $1.5 million increased lifetime earning potential, when combined with a CPA license.
- Flexible curriculum for students with two tracks: a CPA focus for public and corporate accounting and a CPA/CMA track designed for specialized corporate accounting.
- Customized plan of study which emphasizes advanced accounting electives, Excel skills, research opportunities, professional and ethical standards, communication, and leadership.
- Active alumni network around the world that includes distinguished alumni such as Beth Brooke, CPA and former Global Vice Chair at Ernst & Young (Forbes List of 100 Most Powerful Women).
ACCOUNTING PATHWAY PROGRAM

30 total required credits

**CORE COURSES**
- Advanced Auditing & Auditing Analytics
- Business Law for Accountants
- Communication for Accountants

**MSA ELECTIVES**
- Accounting Consulting for Entrepreneurs
- Accounting Data Analytics
- Accounting Ethics
- Accounting Scandals
- Advanced Taxation
- Advanced International Accounting
- Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination
- Government and Nonprofit Accounting
- Private Equity Accounting
- Practicum in Taxation
- Public Company Reporting and Regulation
- Valuation and Financial Statement Analysis

**GENERAL BUSINESS ELECTIVES**
- Data Mining
- Leadership
- Logistics
- Management of Organization Data
- Options and Futures
- Portfolio Management
- Spreadsheet Modeling
- Predictive Analytics
- Project Management
- Financial Management
- Financial Modeling

**EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING**
- Washington Campus - Accounting and Public Policy Trip
- London - Advanced International Accounting

*GMAT waivers are available to qualified applicants.

The material I learned in class directly correlated to my CPA exam study materials. I got the knowledge and confidence I needed to pass the CPA. The courses gave me deeper insight into the accounting profession and prepared me for the workforce.

**RACHEL CAMARGO, MS ACCOUNTING ’22**

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92% Employment Rate

**AVERAGE SALARY**
$59,889

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- Deloitte
- EY
- Moss Adams
- PepsiCo
- Plante Moran
- PwC
- RSM
- Textron
- Tritech Software

**TOP POSITIONS**
- Accounting Auditor
- Financial Accountant
- Professional Service Accountant
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