



MS in Accounting

Ranked #4 Best Online Graduate Business Program

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Greetings!

Thank you for your interest in our graduate business programs at the University of Connecticut School of Business. Ranked among the best in the world, UConn's graduate programs offer you a progressive, comprehensive business education to enable you and other future business leaders to anticipate and effectively manage the many challenges encountered in today's rapidly-changing world economy.

Guided by a commitment for global recognition as a provider of exceptional managerial education and business leadership, UConn's graduate programs are carefully designed and developed with active involvement from our alumni and advisors in the business community. Our goal is to ensure that our graduates are fully prepared and competitively positioned for successful careers.

As you research and evaluate your options for advanced study, I encourage you to attend one of our infosessions, or to stop by one of our program offices for a personal visit. After you experience the School of Business and learn more about all we have to offer, I'm confident you'll agree that UConn can provide you with a challenging, highly-differentiated, and affordably-priced business education that will provide the foundation for an exceptional future.

Sincerely,

John A. Elliott, Ph.D.

Dean & Auran J. Fox Chair in Business

Maximize Your R.O.I.

UConn's MS in Accounting (MSA) is a flexible online program that allows students the opportunity to pursue a professional graduate degree while maintaining personal and professional schedules. The curriculum is delivered asynchronously, and may be completed on either a full-time or part-time basis as required by the individual student.

The MSA is quickly becoming the program of choice for experienced professionals, many of whom are licensed CPAs seeking to update their skill sets. In fact, the largest segment of our incoming class for the past several years is comprised of experienced professionals.

Curriculum

Our goal is to provide you with the information, knowledge and skill set you need as a competitive and successful accounting professional.

Our courses do not simply follow the fixed content and structure of text books. Instead, the content and structure is customized for each course by highly skilled professionals and renowned research academics. The curriculum is continually updated with current material to meet the demands of any accounting professional, including public, private, government, and non-profit sectors.

Academic Excellence

The educational experience we offer allows qualified students to meet the 150-hour educational requirements to sit for the CPA exam in most states.

The MSA program has dual-AACSB accreditation and is recognized by the United States Distance Learning Association (USDLA) for best practices in online learning.

Our program has a history of success in online education. Since our shift to the online platform in 2003, our MSA is consistently ranked among the top 5 programs of the U.S. News & World Report for Best Online Graduate Program.

Design Your Own Program

We view the opportunity to design an online program as analogous to an architect's ability to design an entire city. In this online community, full-time faculty members, with the help of respected experts in course design, information literacy and online instruction, develop accounting courses that use technology to facilitate learning, and rely on the support of all members of the community (faculty and students) to create and disseminate knowledge.

The interactive course websites do not employ lengthy taped lectures or streaming videos. Instead they utilize research tools, discussions boards, chatrooms, group projects and presentations, business simulations, and case studies. With only two required courses, you select eight electives to complete the degree that is tailored to your needs and interests.





The Skills for Success

UConn's online MS in Accounting program equips professionals with the relevant skill set critical to a successful professional career in public and private accounting. Here are some of the many skills our graduates have mastered:

- **Data Analytics**
- **Forensics**
- **Taxation**
- **Internal Controls**
- **Risk Analysis**
- **Financial Reporting**
- **Research**
- **Audit & Assurance**
- **Fund Accounting**
- **Financial Planning**

Making the Right Choice

Choosing the right school can be time consuming and arduous. Most professionals in your role rely on the school's reputation. Others consider the academic achievement of the students and the quality of the faculty. At the end of the day, the goal is to maximize your investment, both in time and money. UConn's online MS in Accounting is designed to help you achieve this goal.



A History of Excellence

With a history of academic excellence that spans over 140 years, the University of Connecticut has established itself as one of the nation's premier academic institutions. Providing quality education is the driving force that has made the UConn School of Business a leader in the field.

Our brick-and-mortar institution has operated on the premise that meeting or exceeding quality standards on curriculum, faculty, and administration is paramount. The high level of the School's degree requirements, library and computer facilities, financial resources, and intellectual climate is at the very core of what UConn stands for.

In the most recent accreditation report, the AACSB stated:
"...The Department of Accounting is to be commended on its stable, dedicated, and student-oriented faculty and their instructional and scholarly accomplishments; outstanding curriculum coordination and cooperative learning activities; supportive advisory boards; and current program's professional orientation."

Quick Facts

Program Length

30 credits (two required core courses and eight elective)

- Full-time (eight months)
- Part-time (multiple semesters)

Format

Online courses + one mandatory four-day week-in-residence course

Pre-requisites

- Undergraduate degree
- Completion of accounting courses
 - Financial Accounting
 - Managerial Accounting
 - Cost Accounting
 - Intermediate I & II
 - Federal Income Tax
 - Auditing
- Minimum GPA of 3.0

Application Requirements

- Pre-requisites
- Four short-answer essays
- Resume
- Official transcripts
- One letter of recommendation
- GMAT Scores*
- Online application
- \$75 application fee

Fees

\$825 per credit hour
(\$2475 per course)

Financial Aid

Financial aid may be available through UConn's Office of Student Financial Aid Services. Students need at least six credits per semester to be considered for federal subsidized and unsubsidized loans.

Apply

Apply online at grad.business.uconn.edu/apply.

Application Deadlines

- Summer start: March 1
- Fall start: June 1
- Spring start: November 1

Non-U.S. Applicants

Student visas cannot be issued for online education. Only apply if you plan to do the program from your home country. The MSA is not offered in a classroom environment.

**GMAT waiver available for qualified applicants*