

Integrated Master of Accounting (MAcc) Program

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Program for Undergraduates Meets CPA Standards

To be licensed as a certified public accountant (CPA) in nearly every state, including Pennsylvania, individuals must complete 150 credit-hours of college-level study. To fulfill this educational requirement, Smeal offers a five-year, undergraduate-graduate curriculum, the Integrated MAcc Program.

Becoming a CPA opens doors to opportunities not only in accounting firms but also across the business landscape. The Integrated MAcc Program prepares students to enter careers in public accounting, corporate accounting, management accounting, and governmental accounting, as well as corporate finance, financial analysis, and law enforcement.

Program Description

Students enrolled in the Integrated MAcc Program begin their coursework in the fall of their junior year. Undergraduate- and graduate-level coursework is combined in the final two years of the program. Students graduate with a Master of Accounting degree in addition to a Bachelor of Science degree and are prepared to sit for the CPA Exam.

- › Earn both degrees in just five years. The Integrated MAcc Program coursework begins in the fall semester of the junior year and continues for five semesters at University Park. Students can intern at a public accounting firm in the spring semester of the senior year and graduate after the spring of the fifth year.
- › Take advantage of dedicated course sections reserved for students in the Integrated MAcc program. Some coursework counts toward both the undergraduate and the graduate degrees.
- › Consult with a dedicated MAcc-only academic adviser about course selections and career choices.
- › Access the broad and deep pool of recruiters who come to Smeal to hire new talent every year.
- › Complete the same leadership communications training that has been a hallmark of Smeal's MBA program for decades.



Admissions Process and Tuition Information

Your opportunity to apply to the Integrated MAcc Program is during the major enrollment period, early in the spring semester of your sophomore year.

Enrollment in the program is limited. The Accounting Department at Smeal bases its acceptance decisions on SAT scores and performance at Penn State, with particular emphasis on courses that are indicators of aptitude for a more rigorous accounting program. In addition, the Department may require successful completion of an exam to test mastery of ACCTG 211 material, and may also request an interview.

To learn more about admission to the Integrated MAcc program and to apply, visit www.smeal.psu.edu/macc/integrated-macc.

Tuition for the first two academic years in the Integrated MAcc Program is at the undergraduate-level rate for business students as set by the University. During the final academic year, students continue to pay undergraduate-level tuition plus a one-time \$750 tuition differential, which is due in the fall semester.



Sample Semester-by-Semester Schedule for Integrated MAcc Program Courses

Junior Year*	
Fall	Spring
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › ACCTG 404: Managerial Accounting › ACCTG 405: Principles of Taxation I › ACCTG 471: Intermediate Accounting I 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › ACCTG 403W: Auditing › ACCTG 472: Intermediate Accounting II
Senior Year	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › ACCTG 432: Accounting Information Systems › ACCTG 806: Taxes and Business Planning › B A 517: Leadership Communications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Internship or other coursework
Fifth Year	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › ACCTG 440: Advanced Managerial Accounting › ACCTG 873: Advanced Topics in Financial Reporting › B LAW 444: Advanced UCC and Commercial Transitions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › ACCTG 803: Forensic Accounting › ACCTG 881: Financial Statement Analysis › FIN 531: Financial Management › Graduate Elective (400-level or higher) › Students may also take a non-credit CPA exam review course after their last semester.

* Students interested in doing a study abroad should plan on doing so either during the Fall or Spring semester of their Junior Year, or during a summer.