

# MASTER OF SCIENCE ACCOUNTING & TAXATION



## GRADUATE STUDIES



### Program Description

The Master of Science (MS) in Accounting and Taxation prepares graduates to become members of decision-making teams in a high-tech global environment by emphasizing the development of accounting skills within a business context and integrating technology skills throughout the curriculum. Graduates will demonstrate excellence in critical thinking, problem solving, analysis and strategic planning. Upon completion of the program, graduates qualify to sit for the CPA exam in Florida. Graduates find employment in public or private accounting firms, government and non-profit agencies and consulting firms. Additional information is available at <https://www.fgcu.edu/cob/programs/accounting/acgms.aspx>

### Admissions Requirements

- FGCU graduate application
- Official academic transcripts from every college or university attended
- Baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) official scores; minimum GMAT score 500 or GRE equivalent
- Exam may be waived for applicants with either: AACSB undergraduate business degree program *OR* Graduate degree (must meet minimum GPA & be within last 7 years)
- GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale in the last 60 hours of upper level undergraduate coursework
- Total points of 1050 or higher: (GPA x 200) + GMAT
- International students must have a satisfactory score on the TOEFL exam (minimum score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based) for students from countries where English is not the primary language

Satisfaction of minimum University and program requirements does not guarantee admission to a graduate program. Applicants should check with the program for the most up to date admission requirements prior to commencing the application process.

### Application Deadlines

Fall – May 1

Spring – September 15

### Graduate Full-Time Student Cost of Attendance

Expenses	Florida Resident	Non Florida Resident
<b>Tuition and Fees</b>	\$6,720	\$23,412
<b>Books and Supplies</b>	\$1,200	\$1,200
<b>Room and Board</b>	\$9,672	\$9,672
<b>Estimated Total Cost</b>	\$17,592	\$34,284

The in-state tuition cost for FGCU is \$373.38 per credit hour.  
The out-of-state tuition cost for FGCU is \$1,300.66 per credit hour.  
Tuition & Fees figures are based on a graduate student taking 9 graduate credit hours per term for 2 terms (Fall & Spring).  
For more details, visit: [fgcu.edu/Graduate/Financing-graduate-studies](http://fgcu.edu/Graduate/Financing-graduate-studies)

### Prerequisite Courses

- 21 hours of upper division (3000-4000) accounting courses
- 27 hours of general business courses, at least 12 credit hours in upper division (3000-4000)

### Program Details

#### Credit Hours Required in Major – 30 Credit Hours

#### Program Core (18 credits)

- ACG 6135 Accounting Theory (3)
- ACG 6205 Advanced Accounting (3)
- ACG 6405 Adv Acct Information Systems (3)
- ACG 6655 Independent Audit II (3)
- BUL 6831 Law & Business II (3)
- TAX 6045 Tax Research & Planning (3)

#### Restricted Electives (3 credits)

- ACG 6257 Global Reporting (IFRS)& Audit (3)
- ACG 6905 Directed Study in Accounting (3)
- ACG 6935 Special Topics in Accounting (3)
- ACG 6940 Accounting Internship (3)
- BUL 6935 Special Topics in Business Law (3)
- TAX 6015 Corporate Tax Issues (3)
- TAX 6405 Estate & Gift Issues (3)
- TAX 6525 International Tax Issues (3)
- TAX 6877 Special Topics in Taxation (3)

#### Concentration Requirements (9 credits)

##### Analytics

- ISM 6136 Big Data Analytics&Data Mining (3)
- ISM 6404 BI and Visualization Tools (3)
- QMB 6303 Business Analytics (3)

##### No Concentration

- TAX 6205 Flow Through Entities (3)
- TAX 6875 Contemporary Tax Topics (3)
- Plus 3 credits of approved graduate level business courses outside the area of accounting, taxation and business law

~Above is a brief preview of the program content at the start of the 2018-2019 academic year. Information regarding program requirements and admissions are specific to a student's catalog year. This information is corrected or adjusted as needed. For more details, please review the University Catalog. <http://www.fgcu.edu/catalog/>

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