

BBA/MPA COMBINED DEGREE

The BBA/MPA combined degree program is designed to enable students enrolled in the BBA Program at the Goizueta Business School to complete a master's degree while simultaneously fulfilling the requirements to sit for the Certified Public Accounting (CPA) examination. Though educational models vary by state, nearly all states require the completion of 150 semester hours of post-secondary education and a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university prior to sitting for the CPA examination. Earning the necessary semester hours will likely require a fifth year of formal post-secondary education. The BBA/MPA program is designed to address this need through master's level coursework and an internship.

In addition to earning a master's degree, a unique feature of the BBA/MPA program is that students gain valuable on-the-job accounting, auditing, tax, forensics, or advisory services experience by completing a required full-time internship in the spring semester of their senior year. Students are responsible for securing their own internship opportunities, with the assistance of the accounting faculty and the BBA/MPA Program Office as needed. These internships may be with our accounting firm partners, the numerous corporations with which the school has established strong recruiting relationships, non-profit organizations, entrepreneurial start-up organizations, or pre-doctoral academic projects.

This program is designed to develop Goizueta Business School students intellectually, personally, and professionally; these students will become future leaders for the public accounting profession and other accounting careers. The program provides the knowledge, skills, and tools that enable, empower, and compel our students to uphold the highest ethical standards of the accounting profession and to make significant positive contributions to the organizations they serve and to society as a whole.

The Master of Professional Accounting degree program is accredited by both the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools™ (SACS) and the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International.

Suggested BBA/MPA Schedule

Minimum Hours at BBA Program entrance		63
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Junior Year, Sem 1

BUS 211 Managerial Accounting	CORE	3
BUS 330 Organization & Management	CORE	3
BUS 365 Business communications	CORE	3
BUS 312A Financial Reporting I	MPA	3
BUS 615AC Federal Income Taxation	MPA	3
BUS 380A Junior Seminar I	CORE	1
Total Credits		16

Junior year, Sem 2

BUS 331 Strategic Management	CORE	3
BUS 320 Corporate Finance	CORE	3
BUS 340 Marketing Management	CORE	3
BUS 312B Financial Reporting II	MPA	3
BUS 616AC Corporate and Partnership Taxation	MPA	3
BUS 380B Junior Seminar II	CORE	1
Total Credits		16

Senior year/MPA Sem 1

BUS 351 Operations Management	CORE	3
BUS 417 Professional Accounting Research	MPA	3
BUS 618AC Auditing	MPA	3
Business elective	BELEC	3
Senior Capstone	CORE	2
BUS 680AC Professional Development I	MPA	2
BUS 380C Junior Seminar III/or BUS 480	CORE	1
Total Credits		17

Senior year/MPA Sem 2

BUS 690AC Professional Development II	MPA	3
BUS 691AC Applied Work Experience	MPA	3
Total Credits		6

MPA Sem 3

BUS 410 Legal Environment	CORE	4
BUS 619AC Information and Global Capital Markets	MPA	3
Accounting Elective*	MPA	3
Business elective	BELEC	3
Non-business elective	ELEC	3
BUS 480A-MSF Senior seminar (BAP)	CORE	2
Total Credits		18

MPA Sem 4

BUS 611AC International Law (or Flex Elective)	MPA	3
BUS 612AC Advanced Financial Accounting	MPA	3
Accounting Elective*	MPA	3
Accounting Elective*	MPA	3
Business elective	BELEC	3
BUS 580A-MSF Master Seminar (BAP)	MPA	2
Total Credits		17

TOTAL HOURS FOR BBA/MPA DEGREE		153
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**Must choose 3 from BUS 414, BUS 516AC, BUS 613AC, BUS 617AC*