

Master of Science in Accounting

The STEM-designated MS in Accounting course at Montclair State University is an AACSB-accredited program that prepares students to sit for the New Jersey CPA examination. It helps students develop strong, comprehensive functional and technical skills as well as a specialized, in-depth understanding of the complexities of current accounting and tax practice.

The 33-credit program offers full-time evening and weekend classes. Both fall and spring start dates are available.

Montclair State University boasts several distinctive features that make it a standout choice for prospective students. Upon visiting the campus, my positive impressions were further reinforced by the supportive faculty, welcoming campus culture, and excellent facilities. Additionally, the university's proximity to New York City provides convenient access to a plethora of opportunities and amenities, facilitated by extensive public transportation options in the region. In essence, Montclair State University embodies everything I love in a higher education institution. I have no hesitation in recommending it to friends and former classmates seeking a fulfilling and rewarding academic journey.

Ahad - Bangladesh Graduate student

\$81,680 average salary for accountants in 2024

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics 2024



19 kilometers from New York City

#81 top public schools 120+ student clubs and organizations

U.S. News & World Report 2025, Top Public Colleges and Universities

Program Highlights

- STEM-designed (eligible for 3 years of OPT)
- Students enrolled in the program are eligible for a discount on a CPA review course
- AACSB International Accreditation
- Distinguished faculty
- Executive speaker series
- Professional development workshops
- Small class sizes
- Internship opportunities and career development support

Career Outcomes

Graduates with an MS in Accounting can go into a wide range of fields, especially with a CPA license. Some of the most common jobs for graduates are:

- Public Accountant
- Auditor
- Tax Accountant
- Bookkeeper
- Budget Analyst
- Financial Analyst
- Forensic Accountant Payroll Clerk
- Financial Advisor
- Compliance Officer
- Chief Financial Officer (CFO)
- Business Consultant
- Investment Banker
- Financial Examiner



Admission Requirements

- Application
- Application fee
- Official NACES transcript evaluation
- Official English proficiency test score
- Statement of purpose
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- Optional:
 - GMAT or GRE

Sample Courses

This 33 credit program consists of many course options to choose from that will help you gain the skills and knowledge you need to help you succeed in your future career.

- Internal Auditing
- Governmental and Not For **Profit Accounting**
- Advanced Accounting **Information Systems**
- Fundamentals of Federal Taxation
- Advanced Taxation for Accountants
- Ethics in Business, Accounting, and Finance

- Contemporary Issues in Financial Accounting I
- Contemporary Issues in Financial Accounting II
- Financial Statement Analysis
- Auditing Concepts and Techniques
- Fraud Examination
- Forensic Accounting

- **Business Valuation**
- **Advanced Audit Analytics**
- International Accounting and Auditing
- Accounting for Business Managers
- Business Law I
- Legal Issues in Forensic Accounting
- Comprehensive Issues in Public Accountancy





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