

MPA Career Pathways and Suggested Courses



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The joint BBA/MPA degree offers students flexibility for a wide range of careers that require accounting expertise. Students may complete any BBA depth and then fulfill the graduate portion of the degree by completing any 10 graduate accounting classes (30 credit hours). Both degrees can be earned in 4 to 5 years as up to 8 graduate accounting credit hours can be double counted toward fulfillment of the BBA degree requirements. Plus, students save money by taking graduate courses at undergraduate tuition rates

		MPA Common Career Pathways				
		Consulting, Corporate Accounting, Corporate Finance	Investment Banking, Security Analysis	Public Accounting (CPA) †		
				Business Analysis & Reporting (BAR)	Tax Compliance & Planning (TCP) †	Information Systems & Control (ISC) †
Common BBA Depths for Each MPA Pathway		OAM, FIN, ACT	FIN, ACT	ACT	ACT	ISOM, ACT
Suggested Courses for Each MPA Pathway		Any 10 of these	Any 10 of these	Any 10 of these	These 10	These 10
Fall Semester	*ACT 520 Accounting Analytics: Insights for Actions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	*ACT 599R Corporate Political Strategy	✓				
	*ACT 599R Firm Fundamentals and Mispricing		✓			
	*ACT 599R Strategic Cost Management (offered both Fall and Spring Semesters)	✓		✓	✓	✓
	*ACT 599R Sustainability Measurement & Reporting	✓	✓			
	*ACT 612 Financial Reporting of Operations	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	ACT 615 Federal Income Taxation		✓	✓	✓	✓
	ACT 650 Accounting for Mergers & Acquisitions	✓	✓	✓		
Spring Semester	ACT 516 Government & Nonprofit Organizations	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	*ACT 530 Personal Financial Planning	✓	✓		✓	
	*ACT 599R Compensation and Management Control	✓		✓		
	*ACT 599R LedgerTech: Blockchain & Crypto Assets	✓	✓			✓
	*ACT 599R Machine Learning for Fundamental Analysis		✓			✓
	*ACT 599R Strategic Cost Management (offered both Fall and Spring Semesters)	✓		✓	✓	✓
	*ACT 625 Financial Reporting of Debt & Equity	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	ACT 616 Corporate & Partnership Taxation	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ACT 618 Auditing			✓	✓	✓	

*This course is offered in both an undergraduate and a graduate version, with the graduate version having additional deliverables. Students may not receive credit for both the undergraduate version and the graduate version of this course and only the graduate version may count toward the 30 credit hours of graduate accounting coursework for the joint BBA/MBA degree.

† Students planning to sit for the TCP or ISC disciplines of the CPA exam may benefit from additional independent prep (Becker/Gleim) for certain exam content not covered in the coursework.

‡ Students planning to sit for the CPA exam should also consider taking ACT 300 Financial Statement Analysis & Valuation as part of their BBA degree.