

Accountancy

Department Information

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- **Application Deadline:**
Applications are reviewed on a rolling schedule.
- **Credential Offered:**
M.Acc.
- **Test Requirement:**
GMAT 550 or GRE
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
TOEFL ibt 79; IELTS 6.5; Duolingo 105

Admission Requirements

A. Admission requirements for NDSU accounting majors

1. The applicant's overall undergraduate GPA should be at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
2. The applicant's GPA for upper-division accounting courses should be at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
3. The applicant does not have to complete the GMAT, if the student meets the minimum GPA requirements (requirements A.1. and A.2.).
4. If the applicant's GPA is below the 3.0 standards (requirements A.1. and A.2.), conditional admission to the program *may* be allowed under the following conditions:
 - 4.1. The student has significant post-graduation work experience OR
 - 4.2. The student takes the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) with an expectation that the student earn a score of at least 550.
5. Students must also submit a letter stating reasons for wanting a Master of Accountancy degree. Names of two NDSU accounting professors must be entered on the application, but no references are required.
6. If the above requirements are not met, the applicant *may* be granted conditional admission.
7. Conditional admission is granted solely at the discretion of the program coordinator and/or admissions committee.

B. Admission Requirements for Students Graduating with Accounting Major from Tri-College Schools, North Dakota four-year not-for-profit schools and AACSB accredited Schools

1. The student's overall GPA should be at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
2. The student's GPA for upper-division accounting courses should be at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
3. Applicants do not have to complete the GMAT, if the student meets the minimum GPA requirements (Requirements B.1. and B.2.).
4. If the student's GPA is below the 3.0 standards (Requirements B.1. and B.2.), conditional admission to the program *may* be allowed under the following conditions:
 - 4.1. The student has significant post-graduation work experience OR
 - 4.2. The student takes the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) with an expectation that the student earn a score of at least 550.

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5. Students must also submit a letter stating reasons for wanting a Master of Accountancy degree and two letters of recommendation.
6. If the above requirements are not met, the student *may* be granted conditional admission.
7. Conditional admission is granted solely at the discretion of the program coordinator and/or admissions committee.

C. Admission Requirements for All Others

1. The student has an undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited school.
2. The student's overall GPA should be at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
3. The student's GPA for upper-division accounting courses should be at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
4. The student takes the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) with an expectation that the student earn a score of at least 550.
5. If the student has not completed all of the following core courses or their equivalent in their undergraduate program, the student *may* be conditionally admitted to the program.

5.1. Core courses

- 5.1.1. ACCT 311 (Intermediate Accounting I)
- 5.1.2. ACCT 312 (Intermediate Accounting II)
- 5.1.3. ACCT 320 (Cost Accounting)
- 5.1.4. ACCT 418 (Tax I)
- 5.1.5. ACCT 421 (Audit I)

5.2. The student will be expected to complete any missing core courses within the first two semesters of the program.

5.3. Students must meet the minimum GPA standard of 3.0 for all of the core courses for final acceptance into the program.

6. If the student's undergraduate GPA is below the 3.0 standards (Requirements C.2. and C.3.), conditional admission to the program *may* be allowed under the following conditions:

6.1. The student has significant post-graduation work experience OR

6.2. The student takes the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) with an expectation that the student earn a score of at least 550.

7. Students must also submit a letter stating reasons for wanting a Master of Accountancy degree and two letters of recommendation.
8. If the above requirements are not met, the student *may* be granted conditional admission.
9. Conditional admission is granted solely at the discretion of the program coordinator and/or admissions committee.

D. Conditional status expires and regular admission is granted if the applicant meets the terms of their conditional admission. See sections A.6., A.7., B.6., B.7., C.8. and C.9. above.

E. A student who attended a university outside of the United States must submit a course-by-course transcript evaluation from World Education Services (WES). See www.wes.org.

Financial Assistance

A limited number of graduate assistantships are available each semester through the Master of Accountancy program. The program coordinator will send an application for the assistantship to all eligible students who have applied to the program by the application deadlines.