

Accounting, MSA (Boston)

Northeastern University D'Amore-McKim School of Business's Master of Science in Accounting is designed to prepare students for a career in the rapidly evolving accounting industry.

Build Deep Accounting Expertise

Students build on their undergraduate accounting major and have an opportunity to gain the knowledge, skills, and credit hours needed to pursue CPA licensure and launch their careers in just seven months. Classwork deepens their expertise through advanced accounting topics, management best practices, and data analytics skills. The Board of Public Accountancy in Massachusetts has approved the program curriculum.

Select a Track

Students may specialize in either audit or tax, guiding them toward the career that best suits their goals. The audit track offers intense exposure to ethics, auditing research, and forensic accounting. The tax track explores the intricacies of the tax industry so that students may gain a comprehensive understanding of taxation at all levels, from local to international.

Integrate Classroom and Professional Experiences

Students have opportunities to obtain real-world experiences that help them gain a fresh perspective while using relevant skills. They apply their knowledge to actual business challenges through class projects. Students gain unique perspectives as they learn from industry-leading faculty with years of practice as both PhDs and CPAs at Big 4 and other public accounting firms.

Students enroll in this 30-semester-hour master's degree program for full-time study.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Core Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Accounting		
ACCT 6203	Business Entity Taxation	3
ACCT 6204	Financial Reporting for Integrated Multinational Enterprises	3
ACCT 6229	Accounting for Foreign Currency Transactions	1
Ethics		
ACCT 6253	Ethics in the Accounting Profession	3
Financial Reporting		
ACCT 6207	Contemporary and Emerging Issues in Financial Reporting	3
ACCT 6216	Financial Reporting for Governments and Nonprofit Entities	2

Tracks

Complete one of the following tracks:

AUDIT TRACK

Code	Title	Hours
ACCT 6205	Auditing in a Big Data Environment	3
ACCT 6217	Corporate Governance, Ethics, and Financial Reporting	3
ACCT 6254	Accounting Research and Communication	3

TAXATION TRACK

Code	Title	Hours
ACCT 6231	Corporations and Shareholders	3
ACCT 6235	Partners and Partnerships	3
ACCT 6254	Accounting Research and Communication	3

Electives

Code	Title	Hours
In consultation with advisor, complete 6 graduate-level semester hours for which prerequisites have been met:		6
ACCT 5255	Forensic Accounting	
ACCT 5256	Internal Auditing	
ACCT 6239	State and Local Taxation	

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ACCT 6240	International Taxation: Inbound Transactions
ACCT 6243	Advanced Flow-Through Entities
ACCT 6248	Income Taxation of Trusts and Estates
ACCT 6292	Tax Research, Practice, and Ethics

Program Credit/GPA Requirements

30 total semester hours required

Minimum 3.000 GPA required