

Master of Professional Accounting Articulated Set

includes:

Master of Professional Accounting
Graduate Diploma of Accounting
Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

The Master of Professional Accounting provides specialised formal knowledge, capabilities and competencies in accounting and related business areas. The Master of Professional Accounting is designed for students looking for a change in career, and opens the way to many vocational choices in areas of financial management, public practice, commerce and industry, government and semi-government organisations, and accounting education. The Master of Professional Accounting meets the academic requirements for accreditation with CPA (Certified Practising Accountant) Australia and the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.

The Graduate Diploma of Accounting is an entry point for the Master of Professional Accounting. It is designed to build upon previous non-accounting undergraduate studies and work experience, and to add conceptual depth by concentrating on studies in accounting and related disciplines. Graduates are equipped to undertake and evaluate the conceptual basis of accounting; understand, evaluate and apply the principles of current accounting practice; recognise and analyse the impact of the business environment on accounting theory and its application, including the regulatory requirements controlling the accounting process; and understand and be able to apply principles and analytical techniques from economics, commercial law, business communications and quantitative methods in the accounting context.

The Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting provides a general professional accounting education to graduates of non-accounting disciplines. The degree is designed to build upon previous non-accounting undergraduate studies and work experience and to add conceptual depth by concentrating on studies in accounting and related disciplines. The course includes the concepts of spiral learning and the integration of communication skills, computer applications and quantitative analysis within the discipline of accounting.

The course includes the following awards:

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting *GradCertProfAcc*

Graduate Diploma of Accounting *GradDipAcc*

Master of Professional Accounting *MProfAcc*

Course Study Modes and Locations

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting (2304PA)

Distance Education - Wagga Wagga

Graduate Diploma of Accounting (2611AC)

Distance Education - Wagga Wagga

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Melbourne

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Sydney

Master of Professional Accounting (2712PA)

Distance Education - Wagga Wagga

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Brisbane

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Melbourne

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Sydney

On Campus - Port Macquarie

Master of Professional Accounting (2716PA)

Distance Education - Wagga Wagga

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Melbourne

On Campus - CSU Study Centre Sydney

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

Normal course duration

Master of Professional Accounting

Full-time 1.5 years (3.0 sessions)

Part-time 3.0 years (6.0 sessions)

Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects) - 128 points - 2.0

Graduate Diploma of Accounting

Full-time 1 years (2.0 sessions)

Part-time 2.0 years (4.0 sessions)

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

Full-time 0.5 years (1.0 sessions)

Part-time 1.0 years (2.0 sessions)

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

Admission criteria

[CSU Admission Policy](#)

Master of Professional Accounting

Master of Professional Accounting (12 subjects)

For entry to the Master of Professional Accounting (12 subjects) applicants are required to have an undergraduate degree from a recognised Australian tertiary institution (or equivalent). The undergraduate degree must be in a field other than Accounting. Applicants without a tertiary qualification may be admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting or Graduate Diploma of Accounting on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate of Professional Accounting/Graduate Diploma of Accounting, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects) and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects)

For entry to the Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects) applicants who do not have an undergraduate degree from a recognised Australian tertiary institution (or equivalent) will be considered for admission via the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting or Graduate Diploma of Accounting on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate/Graduate Diploma, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects) and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Graduate Diploma of Accounting

Applicants will normally be required to have an undergraduate degree from a recognised Australian tertiary institution or a qualification deemed to be equivalent. However applicants with other academic and/or professional qualifications acceptable to the University will be considered.

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

Applicants without a tertiary qualification may be admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master of Professional Accounting and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Credit

[CSU Credit Policy](#)

Master of Professional Accounting

Master of Professional Accounting (12 subjects)

Students may receive up to 50% (six 8 point subjects) worth of credit into the MPA program for related prior studies. Credit will not be awarded for work experience.

Applicants who have completed either the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting or the Graduate Diploma of Accounting will be awarded credit for those subjects upon admission to the Master of Professional Accounting.

Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects)

Students may receive up to 50% (eight 8 point subjects) worth of credit into the extended MPA program for related prior studies. Credit will not be awarded for work experience.

Applicants who have completed either the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting or the Graduate Diploma of Accounting will be awarded credit for those subjects upon admission to the Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects).

Graduate Diploma of Accounting

Students may receive up to 50% (four 8 point subjects) worth of credit into the Graduate Diploma program for related prior studies. Credit will not be awarded for work experience.

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

Students may receive up to 50% (two 8 point subjects) worth of credit into the Graduate Certificate program for related prior studies. Credit will not be awarded for work experience.

Articulation

The Master, Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate make up an articulated set of courses and credit is given in each higher level course for the subjects completed in the lower.

Graduation requirements

Master of Professional Accounting

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 96 points.

Graduate Diploma of Accounting

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 64 points.

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 32 points.

Course Structure

Master of Professional Accounting (12 subjects)

The course consists of 12 subjects as follows:

- [ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
- [ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
- [ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems
- [ACC514](#) Financial Accounting
- [ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance
- [ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools
- [ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2
- [ACC568](#) Auditing
- [ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought

[ECO511](#) Economics for Business
[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law
[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

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[ACC568](#) Auditing
[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought
[ECO511](#) Economics for Business
[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law
[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

Restricted electives

Plus 4 restricted electives from the following list:

[ACC501](#) Business Accounting & Finance (available only in the first session of study)
[HRM502](#) Human Resource Management
[HRM512](#) Values and Conflicts in Organisations
[HRM514](#) International Human Resource Management
[HRM528](#) Strategic Human Resource Management
[MGT501](#) Management Theory & Practice
[MGT510](#) Strategic Management
[MGT530](#) International Business
[MGT540](#) Management of Change
[MKT501](#) Marketing Management
[MKT510](#) Customer Behaviour
[MKT520](#) Managing Product and Service Innovation
[MKT550](#) Global Marketing

Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting

The course consists of 4 subjects and is designed to allow students to choose subjects from the list of core Master of Professional Accounting subjects to best meet their individual needs. Students may make up their course from the following subjects:

- [ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
- [ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
- [ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems
- [ACC514](#) Financial Accounting
- [ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance
- [ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools
- [ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2
- [ACC568](#) Auditing
- [ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought
- [ECO511](#) Economics for Business
- [LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law
- [LAW505](#) Taxation 1

Graduate Diploma of Accounting

The course consists of 8 subjects. At least 4 subjects must be accounting subjects and no more than 4 subjects can be drawn from the list of restricted electives.

- [ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
- [ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
- [ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems
- [ACC514](#) Financial Accounting
- [ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance
- [ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools
- [ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2
- [ACC568](#) Auditing
- [ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought
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Enrolment Pattern

Master of Professional Accounting (12 subjects)

Full-time Study Sequence

If commencing at the start of a calendar year

1st session of enrolment

[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance
[ECO511](#) Economics for Business

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems
[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting
[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools
[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2
[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

4th session of enrolment

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought
[ACC568](#) Auditing

If commencing in the second session of a calendar year

1st session of enrolment

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems
[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
[ECO511](#) Economics for Business
[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting

[ACC568](#) Auditing

[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought

4th session of enrolment

[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance

[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools

[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2

Distance Education Study Sequence

If commencing at the start of a calendar year

1st session of enrolment

[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes

[ECO511](#) Economics for Business

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control

[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools

[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance

4th session of enrolment

[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting

[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law

5th session of enrolment

[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2

[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

6th session of enrolment

[ACC568](#) Auditing

[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought

If commencing in the second session of a calendar year

1st session of enrolment

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control

[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes

[ECO511](#) Economics for Business

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting

[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law

4th session of enrolment

[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2

[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

5th session of enrolment

[ACC568](#) Auditing

[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought

6th session of enrolment

[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance

[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools

Master of Professional Accounting (16 subjects)**Full-time Study Sequence**

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1st session of enrolment

[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes

[ECO511](#) Economics for Business

[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance

[] Elective 1

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems

[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting

[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law

[] Elective 2

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools

[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2

[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

[] Elective 3

4th session of enrolment

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
[ACC568](#) Auditing
[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought
[] Elective 4

If commencing in the second session of a calendar year**1st session of enrolment**

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control
[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems
[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law
[] Elective 1

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
[ECO511](#) Economics for Business
[LAW505](#) Taxation 1
[] Elective 2

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting
[ACC568](#) Auditing
[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought
[] Elective 3

4th session of enrolment

[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance
[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools
[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2
[] Elective 4

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[ACC566](#) Accounting Systems & Processes
[ECO511](#) Economics for Business

2nd session of enrolment

[ACC539](#) Accounting Information Systems

[] Elective 1

3rd session of enrolment

[ACC515](#) Accounting & Finance

[] Elective 2

4th session of enrolment

[ACC514](#) Financial Accounting

[LAW504](#) Business and Corporations Law

5th session of enrolment

[LAW505](#) Taxation 1

[] Elective 3

6th session of enrolment

[ACC512](#) Management Accounting for Costs & Control

[] Elective 4

7th session of enrolment

[ACC544](#) Decision Support Tools

[ACC567](#) Financial Accounting 2

8th session of enrolment

[ACC568](#) Auditing

[ACC518](#) Current Developments in Accounting Thought

Residential School

Please note that the following subjects may have a residential school component.

ACC515 Accounting & Finance

ACC567 Financial Accounting 2

Enrolled students can find further information about CSU residential schools via the [About Residential School](#) page.

Accreditation

The Masters level programs have been developed to satisfy, where relevant, the academic requirements of the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand and CPA Australia.

The Graduate Diploma of Accounting and the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting are not separately accredited by the professional accounting bodies.

Contact

Current Students

For any enquiries about subject selection or course structure you will need to contact your Course Director. You can find the name and contact details for your Course Director in your offer letter or contact your School office.

Prospective Students

For further information about Charles Sturt University, or this course offering, please contact info.csu on 1800 334 733 (free call within Australia) or [enquire online](#).

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