

Bachelor of Applied Studies (BAP) in Accounting/ Master of Accountancy Dual Track

Program Description

The Bachelor of Applied Studies (BAP) in Accounting/Master of Accountancy dual program at Utah Tech University is a workforce-focused, applied pathway designed to prepare students for immediate employment in corporate, government, nonprofit, and small-business settings. The program uses an integrated 3+1 model that allows students to earn both degrees within four years by moving seamlessly from undergraduate coursework into bridge courses and then the master's program.

A defining feature of the BAS/MAcc pathway is the inclusion of four dedicated bridge courses that connect upper-division undergraduate study with graduate-level accounting content. These courses develop advanced competencies and provide the academic preparation needed for CPA licensure and other professional exams. The curriculum emphasizes applied learning in financial and managerial accounting, taxation, auditing, data analytics, and accounting information systems, supported by case studies, applied projects, and professional communication assignments. This streamlined structure enables accelerated entry into the workforce. This program would be the first 122-credit dual-degree accounting program in Utah and one of the first at Utah Tech University to utilize USHE's newly approved 90-credit bachelor's degree framework. By pairing a streamlined bachelor's degree with a +1 master's pathway, Utah Tech positions itself as a leader in accelerated, applied business education.

Admission Requirements

Students would apply for the accelerated BAP/MAcc program at the end of their sophomore year or the start of their junior year. Students could apply for enrollment in the program in either the Fall or Spring semester, with application deadlines similar to those in our existing MAcc program.

Program Curriculum

Utah Tech General Education Requirements

All Utah Tech General Education requirements must be fulfilled. A previously earned degree may fulfill those requirements, but courses must be equivalent to Utah Tech's minimum General Education standards in American Institutions, English, and Mathematics.

General Education Core Requirements (<https://catalog.utahtech.edu/programs/generaleducation/#gerequirementstext>)

Code	Title	Hours
English		3-7
Mathematics		3-5
American Institutions		3-6
Life Sciences		3-10
Physical Sciences		3-5
Fine Arts		3
Literature/Humanities		3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3

Business Core Courses

Code	Title	Hours
ACCT 2010	Principles of Accounting I	3
ENGL 3010	Professional Writing and Business Ethics	3
FIN 2010	Introduction to Finance	3
ISA 2010	Introduction to Business Data Analytics	3
ISA 2050	Management Information Systems	3
MGMT 3050	Business Law I: Law in the Commercial Environment	3
MGMT 3400	Management & Organizations	3
MGMT 3600	Operations and Supply Chain Management (ALPP)	3

MKTG 3010	Marketing Principles (ALPP)	3
STAT 2040	Business Statistics	3

Accounting Core Courses

Code	Title	Hours
ACCT 3001	Accounting Intermediate Career Strategies	1
ACCT 3010	Intermediate Accounting I	3
ACCT 3015	Principles of Accounting II	3
ACCT 3020	Intermediate Accounting II	3
ACCT 3030	SQL & Python for Accounting	3
ACCT 3400	Tax Accounting I	3
ACCT 3440	Tax Practicum I	1
ACCT 4100	Auditing	3
ACCT 4600	Accounting Practicum	3
ACCT 3000-4000 Electives		6
ACCT 5220	Advanced Entity Taxation	3
ACCT 5300	Cost Accounting	3
ACCT 5320	Advanced Accounting	3
ACCT 6110	Financial Accounting and Reporting	3
ACCT 6130	Auditing and Attestation	3
ACCT 6140	Laws and Regulations	3
ACCT 6150	CPA Discipline Topics	3
ACCT 6210	Advanced Individual Taxation	3
ACCT 6330	Advanced Fraud Examination	3
ACCT 6340	Predictive Analytics for Accounting & Decision Making	3
ACCT 6000 Elective		3

Graduation Requirement

1. Complete a minimum of 92 college-level credits (1000 and above).
2. Complete a minimum of 30 graduate-level credits (6000 and above).
3. Complete at least 40 upper-division credits (3000 and above).
4. Complete at least 30 upper-division credits at Utah Tech for institutional residency.
5. Cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher.
6. Minimum C grade and 3.0 GPA in Core Business Requirement, Accounting, and Business Elective courses.

Graduation Plan

1st Year

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
ENGL 1010		3 ACCT 2010	3
General Education (Fine Arts)		3 ENGL 2010	3
General Education (Mathematics)		3 ISA 2010	3
General Education (Social & Behavioral Science)		3 General Education (Physical Sciences)	3
General Education (Language Course)		3 General Education (Mathematics)	3
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2nd Year

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
ECON 2010		3 FIN 2010	3
ENGL 3010		3 MGMT 3050	3
ISA 2050		3 MGMT 3400	3

STAT 2040	3 MGMT 3600	3
General Education (Physical Sciences)	3 MKTG 3010	3

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3rd Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
ACCT 3001	1 ACCT Elective	3
ACCT 3010	3 ACCT Elective	3
ACCT 3015	3 ACCT 3440	1
ACCT 3020	3 ACCT 4100	3
ACCT 3030	3 ACCT 5220	3
ACCT 3400	3 ACCT 5300	3

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4th Year

Fall Semester	Hours Spring Semester	Hours
ACCT 4030	3 ACCT 6000 Elective	3
ACCT 6110	3 ACCT 4600	3
ACCT 6130	3 ACCT 6210	3
ACCT 6140	3 ACCT 6330	3
ACCT 6150	3 ACCT 6340	3

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Total Hours 122**BAP in Accounting/Master of Accountancy Dual Track Program Learning Outcomes**

At the successful conclusion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate competency in core accounting knowledge, including financial reporting, managerial accounting, auditing, taxation, and internal controls.
2. Demonstrate readiness for professional certification pathways through achievement of learning outcomes aligned with CPA, CMA, and CFE competency areas.
3. Demonstrate career readiness through placement in accounting-related roles or progression toward professional certification.