

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.