ABOUT THIS DEGREE PROGRAM

The Master of Science in Accounting program is designed for individuals with an undergraduate specialization in accounting or finance who wish to advance their education. Specifically, the program can benefit students preparing for the CPA exam and licensed CPAs seeking a credential that may enable them to teach accounting in higher education institutions.

The MSAC program requires successful completion of 30 semester-credit hours. The program includes elective courses that provide flexibility in customizing the program to meet professional and personal goals. Total program length varies based on the number of courses taken per eight-week session.

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

- Preparing students to apply current accounting theory and practice in a wide range of occupations.
- Providing students with additional academic work required to pursue professional licensure.
- Providing students who are licensed accountants with career-enhancement capabilities through an advanced study of accounting.
- Enabling students to analyze new and existing regulations and standards.
- Equipping students to conduct accounting research regarding technical, tax and audit issues.

ACCREDITATION MATTERS

Keller’s Master of Science in Accounting program has achieved voluntary specialized accounting accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACSBP, www.acbsbp.org), demonstrating that it has met standards of business education that promote teaching excellence.

Note: Credits and degrees earned from this institution do not automatically qualify the holder to participate in professional licensing exams to practice certain professions. Persons interested in practicing a regulated profession must contact the appropriate state regulatory agency for their field of interest. For instance, in New York, DeVry University operates as DeVry College of New York. DeVry University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), www.hlcommission.org. Keller Graduate School of Management is included in this accreditation. DeVry is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Arlington Campus – 2450 Crystal Dr, Arlington, VA 22202. DeVry University is authorized for operation by the THEC, www.tn.gov/thec. Note: Credits and degrees earned from this institution do not automatically qualify the holder to participate in professional licensing exams to practice certain professions. Persons interested in practicing a regulated profession must contact the appropriate state regulatory agency for their field of interest. For instance, in New York, DeVry University operates as DeVry College of New York. DeVry University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), www.hlcommission.org. Keller Graduate School of Management is included in this accreditation. DeVry is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Arlington Campus – 2450 Crystal Dr, Arlington, VA 22202. DeVry University is authorized for operation by the THEC, www.tn.gov/thec. In New York, DeVry University operates as DeVry College of New York. DeVry University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), www.hlcommission.org. Keller Graduate School of Management is included in this accreditation. DeVry is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Arlington Campus – 2450 Crystal Dr, Arlington, VA 22202. DeVry University is authorized for operation by the THEC, www.tn.gov/thec. In New York, DeVry University operates as DeVry College of New York. DeVry University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), www.hlcommission.org. Keller Graduate School of Management is included in this accreditation. DeVry is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Arlington Campus – 2450 Crystal Dr, Arlington, VA 22202. DeVry University is authorized for operation by the THEC, www.tn.gov/thec. In New York, DeVry University operates as DeVry College of New York. DeVry University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), www.hlcommission.org. Keller Graduate School of Management is included in this accreditation. DeVry is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, Arlington Campus – 2450 Crystal Dr, Arlington, VA 22202. DeVry University is authorized for operation by the THEC, www.tn.gov/thec.

CAREERS IN ACCOUNTING

Graduates of DeVry University’s Keller Graduate School of Management Accounting program may consider careers including, but not limited to, the following:

- Accountant
- Accounting Manager
- Auditor
- Budget Analyst
- Budget Director
- Controller
- Credit Analyst
- Director of Corporate Strategy
- Director of Financial Planning
- Director of Financial Reporting
- Director of Taxation
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Examiner
- Financial Manager
- Financial Planner
- Financial Reporting Analyst
- Forensic Accountant/Fraud Investigator
- Internal Auditor
- International Accounting Specialist
- Management Accountant
- Merger and Acquisitions Analyst
- Payroll Manager
- Risk Manager
- Strategic Planner
- Tax Examiner/Collector
- Tax Manager and Revenue Agent

Employment in this occupation may require years of relevant experience.

Note: For those wishing to pursue CPA certification, the CPA exam-preparation courses (ACCT591, ACCT592, ACCT593, and ACCT594) are recommended.

Note: All students planning to sit for the CPA exam in Texas should follow the academic plan outlined in the academic catalog. Students planning to sit for the CPA exam in Texas should note that a significant percentage of coursework must be completed successfully onsite.

PROGRAM CORE

ACCT525 Current Issues in Accounting
ACCT540 Professional Research for Accountants

PROGRAM SPECIFIC COURSEWORK*

ACCT591 CPA Exam Preparation: Auditing and Attestation
ACCT592 CPA Exam Preparation: Business Environment and Concepts
ACCT593 CPA Exam Preparation: Financial Accounting and Reporting
ACCT594 CPA Exam Preparation: Regulation

FOCUS

Students choose 6 credit hours from the ACCT and FIN courses listed in the catalog

ELECTIVES

Students choose 6 credit hours from any course in the Keller catalog which meet the prerequisite(s)

CAPSTONE

ACCT 601 Accounting Capstone

*Students that do not wish to pursue the CPA certificate must complete 9 CH from amongst ACCT courses listed in the catalog.