



# Master of Professional Accounting

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## INTRODUCTION

The Master of Professional Accounting is designed for graduates undertaking a degree in a discipline other than accounting who wish to undertake specialist studies to pursue a career in accounting. Graduates will gain the necessary qualifications to enter this dynamic and highly respected profession which is in great demand by industry and business, both in Australia and globally. The Master of Professional Accounting is a first step towards a passport to work anywhere in the world.

This is a fast track program to a tertiary Accounting qualification. The program is endorsed by the National Institute of Accountants (NIA) and is accredited by both the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (ICAA) and CPA Australia (CPAA). Successful completion of the Master of Accounting enables graduates to gain entry to either ICAA or the CPAA professional program.

Successful completion of the ICAA or CPAA program will make graduates eligible for admission as a Chartered Accountant (CA) or as a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA).

## COURSE OUTLINE

For successful completion of the Master of Professional Accounting students must complete the following 14 units:

Economics for Managers  
Accounting  
Financial Accounting  
Accounting for Corporate Entities  
Accounting Theory  
Managerial Accounting and Control  
Managerial Finance  
Business Information Technology  
Business Law  
Company Law  
Taxation  
Auditing  
Quantitative Methods for Business  
Business Ethics, Ethical Issues in Professional Life OR  
Ethics

## MODE OF STUDY

Students will be required to study the units on campus in Fremantle. The course requires that a student complete all 14 units. There are no electives. This will require that students study full-time for four semesters, whilst part-time students are expected to undertake two units per semester. Part-time studies are not available to International students.

## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Notre Dame encourages applications from people of all backgrounds and takes into consideration the applicant's academic performance as well as their personal qualities and accomplishments.

Academic requirements are as follows:

- A Bachelor degree (with major other than Accounting) from a recognised Australian or overseas University demonstrating satisfactory grades.
- International students will be required to provide evidence of English competency.

## ADVANCED STANDING

Advanced standing will be determined by the level of the subject whether an equivalent graduate unit was obtained at another academic institution or whether a similar unit was undertaken as part of an undergraduate degree. Applications for advanced standing are to be submitted separately to Notre Dame and are assessed on an individual basis. Guidelines issued by the ICAA and CPAA are also considered in granting advanced standing.

## INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates with overseas academic qualifications should obtain an assessment of their qualifications by writing to the following professional bodies:

The National Qualifications Administrator  
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia  
GPO Box 3921  
Sydney NSW 2001  
[www.icaa.org.au](http://www.icaa.org.au)

OR

Qualifications Assessment Unit  
CPA Australia  
Level 28, 385 Bourke Street  
Melbourne VIC 3000  
[www.cpaonline.com.au](http://www.cpaonline.com.au)

Generally, the ICAA and CPAA follow guidelines issued by the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (NOOSR), GPO 1407, Canberra City, ACT 2601. Students with qualifications not undertaken in English will be required to have an IELTS score of 6.5 or equivalent.

## INDIVIDUAL UNIT ENROLMENT

Candidates will be able to enroll in individual 'not for degree' units. This will take place either for professional development or to enable candidates to meet the qualification requirements of the Australian professional bodies. For example, a South African Chartered Accountant will usually be required to undertake Company Law and Taxation in order to qualify for membership of the ICAA or CPAA.

## STUDENT MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Students are expected to register as student members of the ICAA and/or CPAA whilst enrolled in the MPA program.

## **INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

The ICAA and CPAA have reciprocal membership agreements with other countries and candidates will be able to obtain membership of overseas accounting bodies if a candidate becomes a full member of these organisations, subject to local transition requirements.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Applications should be received at least one month prior to commencement. However, there are limited places available in postgraduate courses and they will be filled on a first-come first-served basis, so early application is encouraged.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

The information contained in this publication is designed as a basic course description. If you would like further information regarding the course, or information pertaining to admissions, fees or the University itself, please consult the Notre Dame Prospectus. International students refer to the International Prospectus.

If you would like to view the University facilities please contact the Prospective Student Office on (08) 9433 0533 or at [future@nd.edu.au](mailto:future@nd.edu.au).

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