

DUAL DEGREE - MBA AND MAcc

Overview

The Washburn University Brenneman School of Business offers a dual degree program to enable students to obtain both a Master of Business Administration [MBA]¹ and a Master of Accountancy [MAcc]² degree during their graduate studies at Washburn.

Students must apply separately to and be accepted by both the MBA and MAcc programs. Students will indicate on each application that they are applying to the dual degree program. Students may also choose to join the dual degree program after beginning either the MBA or the MAcc program individually during their course of study. If students choose to join the dual degree program after they have started either the MBA or MAcc program, they must apply separately to the other program and be accepted in order to begin the dual degree program.

Note: A dual degree reduction of certain courses/credit hours is still possible if the applicant has previously completed either the MBA or MAcc program separately and wishes to begin the secondary program at a later date.

Degree Requirements

Within the dual degree, certain courses are accepted by both programs. Specifically, six credit hours of MBA course work count toward the MAcc degree and six credit hours of MAcc course work count toward the MBA degree. In addition, both programs share a common required course – AC 627 Management Accounting Analysis. As a result, students could complete the MBA/MAcc dual degree program with 15 courses/45 credit hours of graduate course work¹. If the MBA program is taken separately, 30 credit hours of graduate courses¹ are required. Thirty graduate hours are also required if completing the MAcc program separately². Therefore, if these degrees are pursued separately, a total of 60 credit hours of graduate course work would be required.^{1,2}

- MA 116 College Algebra or equivalent is a prerequisite to the dual program required prior to entry for all students.
- Completion of 7 courses/21 credit hours from the upper-level (600-series) MBA program curriculum.
- Completion of 7 courses/21 credit hours from the upper-level (600-series) MAcc program curriculum.
- Completion of the 1-course/3-credit-hour shared course, AC 627 Management Accounting Analysis.
- A cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 in the 15-course/45 credit-hour upper-level MBA and MAcc dual degree curriculum.
- All MBA and MAcc coursework must be completed within six (6) calendar years from the date of admission.

Completion of the MBA program is not required to coincide with completion of the MAcc program or vice-versa. All MBA and MAcc coursework must be completed within six calendar years from the point the first MBA/MAcc course is taken.

Dual degree students are required to participate in various orientation and assessment activities of both programs.

could be required to take up to 3 additional classes/9 credit hours of foundational-level MBA coursework in addition to upper-level program requirements. This requirement is met either through the completion of undergraduate courses or by taking up to three-500 level foundational courses offered by the Brenneman School of Business. Each applicant is evaluated on an individual basis to determine any foundational course needs. MA 116 College Algebra or equivalent is a prerequisite of the MBA program required prior to entry for all applicants.

- ² MAcc program prerequisites: Students without a BBA degree or without a BBA degree (with an accounting focus): completion of up to 18 credit hours/6 pre-MAcc undergraduate correlate courses and completion of up to 21 credit hours/7 pre-MAcc undergraduate accounting courses, in addition to the upper-level MAcc program requirements. Determination of pre-MAcc undergraduate correlate course requirements and pre-MAcc undergraduate accounting course requirements will be assessed on an individual basis through transcript analysis of previous courses completed, and in some cases, professional work experience, by the Graduate Programs Director. **MA 116 College Algebra or equivalent is a MAcc program prerequisite required prior to entry for all students.**

¹ Depending on individual circumstance, applicants without a prior undergraduate business degree (BBA) or related business coursework,