

261-AL Master of Accounting

Year and Campus:	2008																				
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees																				
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate																				
Duration & Credit Points:																					
Contact:	Graduate School Office, Faculty of Economics and Commerce																				
Course Overview:	<p>The overall aim of the Masters of Accounting is to improve students' applied knowledge, skills and capabilities as accounting professionals and broaden students' horizons intellectually. The degree is designed to stimulate students' awareness of existing and emerging issues, and advance students' skills in identifying and solving accounting and business analysis problems of an applied nature.</p>																				
Objectives:	<p>On successful completion of this course, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Identify and analyse the thinking and developments of leading contemporary accounting and business systems in relation to financial accounting, performance management, cost management, accounting-based equity security valuation, business systems and auditing, which are the six major accounting areas covered in this course; # Demonstrate advanced critical and strategic thinking skills, capabilities and competencies in relation to accounting and business analysis issues and problems; # Apply technical and analytical skills, using relevant decision frameworks and empirical research evidence, to address specific accounting and business system problems; and # Identify and critically evaluate accounting and business system issues emerging from strategic developments in practice and regulation. <p>On successful completion of this course, students should be able to demonstrate the following attributes and skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Oral communication, particularly in relation to presentation preparation and delivery skills; # Synthesising information; # Problem identification and analysis; # Critical thinking; # Problem solving skills collaboratively in teams; # Research, which includes accessing information and evidence from a range of sources; and # Written communication, particularly in relation to presenting articulate analyses and arguments. 																				
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	<p>The Master of Accounting 16 Subject Program consists of sixteen semester-length subjects comprising five core subjects and eleven elective subjects over four semesters full-time or eight semesters part-time.</p>																				
Subject Options:	<p>Five core subjects:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>306-663 Issues in Corporate Reporting</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>306-664 Strategic Management Accounting</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>306-665 Managing Information Technology</td> <td>Semester 1, Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>306-666 Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>306-667 Acc.Information and Security Valuation</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Eleven elective subjects: <i>Recommended electives</i></p>			Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	306-663 Issues in Corporate Reporting	Semester 1	12.50	306-664 Strategic Management Accounting	Semester 2	12.50	306-665 Managing Information Technology	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50	306-666 Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services	Semester 1	12.50	306-667 Acc.Information and Security Valuation	Semester 2	12.50
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306-610 Financial Statement Analysis	Semester 1	12.50
306-661 Electronic Commerce	Semester 1	12.50
306-662 Information Processes & Control	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
306-686 Legal Issues for Accountants	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
306-687 Taxation for Business Decision Making	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
306-690 Forensic Business Processes	Semester 1	12.50
306-691 Information Technology Forensics	Semester 2	12.50
325-640 Marketing Management	Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer	12.50
325-663 Human Resource Management	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
325-664 Strategic Management	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
325-665 Internet Marketing	Semester 2	12.50
333-641 Financial Management	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
333-642 Corporate Financial Policy	Semester 2	12.50
333-810 Financial Spreadsheets	Semester 2	12.50
333-816 Financial Markets and Instruments	Semester 1	12.50

Students may be able to select other 600-level subjects from the offerings within the Faculty of Economics and Commerce. This will be subject to the student having the required pre-requisite subjects and the approval of the Program Director and subject coordinator.

Sequence of Study 16 Subject Program

March-entry students:

Year 1 - Semester 1

- # 306-663 Issues in Corporate Reporting
- # plus three elective subjects

Year 1 - Semester 2

- # 306-664 Strategic Management Accounting
- # 306-665 Managing Information Technology
- # plus two elective subjects

Year 2 - Semester 1

- # 306-666 Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services
- # plus three electives

Year 2 - Semester 2

- # 306-667 Information and Security Valuation
- # plus three electives

Mid-year entry students:

Year 1 - Semester 2

- # 306-664 Strategic Management Accounting
- # 306-665 Managing Information Technology
- # plus two elective subjects

	<p>Year 1 - Semester 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # 306-663 Issues in Corporate Reporting # plus three elective subjects <p>Year 2 - Semester 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # 306-667 Information and Security Valuation # plus three electives <p>Year 2 - Semester 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # 306-666 Advanced Auditing and Assurance Services # plus three electives <p>Assessment</p> <p>Students must complete 200 points under the structure listed above in order to qualify for the Master of Accounting.</p>
Entry Requirements:	The minimum entry requirement is an undergraduate degree of good academic standard in accounting or its equivalent.
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.</p> <p>It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>
Notes:	<p>Students who have successfully completed the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (ICAA) PY/CA Program or the CPA Australia CPA Program may receive a maximum of four credits for Master of Accounting subjects.</p> <p>Students who include a winter semester subject as one of their final subjects in the Master of Accounting course may not be eligible to graduate from the program until after results are released in December of the same year.</p>