The Master of Professional Accounting is designed to provide students with the skills and competencies necessary to pursue a career in accounting. This program aims to enable graduates to analyse, research and make informed recommendations with respect to a broad range of accounting problems and issues. In addition, graduates will acquire knowledge of essential accounting principles, practices and techniques and be able to apply these to a variety of situations, including auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and management accounting. Graduates should be able to make effective accounting decisions individually and be able to function effectively in a team environment. They should have an appreciation of the ethical, legal and professional dynamics of accounting and the accounting profession.

**Who should study this program?**
This course is designed for students who have an undergraduate degree but who have had little exposure to accounting to meet the entry requirements of professional accounting bodies. You will acquire knowledge and skills to maximise the financial and other resources of an organisation across all business areas, including marketing, economics, finance, human resource management and business information systems. You will also be exposed to the ethical, legal and professional dynamics of accounting and the accounting profession.

Students without a Bachelor degree but with two years professional experience may apply for the Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting. The Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting articulates into the Master of Professional Accounting.

**Accreditation**
The Master of Professional Accounting is accredited by CPA Australia and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (CA) and satisfies the requirements for entry (pathway) into the Professional Level Program (CPA) and the Graduate Diploma of Chartered Accounting (CA).
Pathways
Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting –
1 semester full-time (4 units)
Graduate Diploma in Professional Accounting –
1 year full-time (8 Units)

Further study
The Master of Professional Accounting
(Advanced) is a two-year program for students
wanting to include a research component in their
degree or for students without an undergraduate
degree who are seeking professional accounting
body recognition.

Dual degree
Students may also enrol in a Master of
Professional Accounting / Master of Business
Administration dual degree.

The ACU Business
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Entry requirements
and how to apply
Applicants must have an overall academic IELTS
of 6.5 (with an individual score of 6.0 for all
tests) as well as the equivalent of an Australian
Bachelor degree in any discipline or a Graduate
Certificate in Professional Accounting. Applicants
without a Bachelor degree but with two years
professional experience in management/
leadership positions may apply for the Graduate
Certificate in Professional Accounting.

Commencement
February 2013, July 2013.

Duration
1.5 years full-time, or equivalent part-time.

Admission
Students should apply via direct application
to ACU.

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