

# GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ACCOUNTANCY

The graduate certificate in accountancy offers students a deeper understanding of accounting information. Although the certificate does not qualify students for a CPA, the program is designed to provide a solid understanding of the fundamentals of accounting. Program graduates will be informed users of accounting information, able to apply accounting knowledge in their current disciplines and make more informed decisions.

Visit the program website (<https://business.gwu.edu/academics/programs/certificate/graduate-certificate-accounting/>) for additional information.

## ADMISSIONS

### Admission deadlines:

Visit the School of Business website (<https://business.gwu.edu/graduate-applications/>) for deadline information.

**Recommendations required:** Two (2) recommendations required.

**Prior academic records:** Transcripts are required from all colleges and universities attended, whether or not credit was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another transcript. Unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended must be uploaded to your online application. Official transcripts are required only of applicants who are offered admission. If transcripts are in a language other than English, English language translations must be provided. The English translation alone should be uploaded into your application.

**Statement of purpose:** In an essay of 250 – 500 words, state your purpose in undertaking graduate study in your chosen field. Include your academic objectives, research interests, and career plans. Also discuss your related qualifications, including collegiate, professional, and community activities, and any other substantial accomplishments not already mentioned on the application.

### International applicants only:

Please review International Applicant Information (<http://graduate.admissions.gwu.edu/international-applicants/>) carefully for details on required documents and English language requirements. **Please note:** international students who require a student visa from GW are not eligible to apply for admission to this program. PLEASE NOTE that the minimum English language test scores required by this program are:

- Academic IELTS: an overall band score of 7.0 with no individual band score below 6.0; or
- TOEFL: 600 on paper-based, or 100 on Internet-based; or
- Academic PTE: 68

### Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:

School of Business  
The George Washington University  
2201 G Street NW  
Washington DC 20052

Contact for questions:  
[business@gwu.edu](mailto:business@gwu.edu) ~ 22-994-1212  
9:00am - 5:00pm, Monday through Friday

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## REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 12 credits, including 6 credits in required courses and 6 credits in elective courses.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
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**Required**

ACCY 6101	Financial Accounting (or equivalent course/experience)
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or MBAD 6211	Financial Accounting
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ACCY 6104	Intermediate Accounting I
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or ACCY 6106	Financial Statement Analysis
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**Electives**

6 credits in elective courses selected from the following:

ACCY 6105	Intermediate Accounting II
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ACCY 6201	Accounting for Internal Decision Making
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ACCY 6202	Advanced Strategic Cost Management
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ACCY 6203	Controls, Alignment, and the Organization
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ACCY 6302	Fraud Examination and Forensic Accounting
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ACCY 6401	Federal Income Taxation
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ACCY 6402	Federal Income Taxation of Partnerships
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ACCY 6501	Accounting Information Systems and Electronic Data Processing
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ACCY 6701	Government Accounting
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ACCY 6705	Nonprofit Accounting
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