Overview
The University of Mississippi offers the Master of Accountancy (MACCY), Master of Taxation (MTAX), and two new innovative master’s degree programs that were launched in Fall 2018. These include the Master of Accountancy and Data Analytics (MADA) and Master of Taxation and Data Analytics (MTDA). Our graduate degrees are designed to provide a fifth year of accounting education to prepare students for careers in professional accounting. Additionally, the two new master’s degrees are designed to help prepare accountancy and tax students for the data age by giving them hands-on experience with data analytics and cutting edge technologies.

The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants recommends five years of academic study to obtain the professional knowledge for a career in accounting, and many states have laws requiring five years of study as a prerequisite to sit for the CPA examination. The objective of the MACCY, MTAX, MADA, and MTDA programs is to give students a greater breadth and depth in accounting and perhaps a specialization in a particular area, such as tax or data analytics. The purpose is to provide education to allow entry into a professional accounting or tax career upon graduation. Outstanding employment opportunities in public accounting, industry, and government await graduates of our master’s programs.

National Rankings
The Patterson School of Accountancy at The University of Mississippi has been nationally ranked in the Public Accounting Report (the primary national accounting ranking) every year since 2005. Most recently, both the undergraduate and doctoral programs were ranked No. 7 and the masters program was ranked No.
9. This represents the eleventh consecutive year the school’s programs have been ranked among the top 20 nationally, and the eighth straight year that at least one of our programs has been among the nation’s top 10. Both our undergraduate and doctoral programs are first in the SEC with our masters program second in the SEC. This honor is a testament to the hard work of the Patterson School faculty in delivering a rigorous educational experience, to our outstanding students who go on to have phenomenal careers, and to our alumni and friends who support the School in so many ways.

**CPA Exam Review Course**
The Patterson School of Accountancy began a CPA review class in the Spring of 2008, with the goal of giving students a structured environment to study and sit for the exam during their last semester of the graduate program. The class uses the preparation courses for the CPA exam through Becker Professional Education, with the PSOA faculty delivering the class. Students in the class receive credit through the course ACCY 615, Current Issues in Accounting, Auditing, Regulation, and Business Decisions. This course fulfills an accounting elective in all four masters programs.

**The National Library of the Accountancy Profession**
The University of Mississippi and the Patterson School of Accountancy are home to the National Library of the Accountancy Profession. Library staff and Patterson School graduate students respond to requests made by practitioners and researchers from around the region and nation. This library includes literally hundreds of periodical titles, including essentially every accounting title in the English language. Having the National Library of the Accounting Profession on the Oxford campus provides research accessibility to our students as well as prestige and international exposure to the Accountancy programs at Ole Miss.

**Admissions and Prerequisites**
The Master of Accountancy, Master of Taxation, Master of Accountancy and Data Analytics and Master of Taxation and Data Analytics degrees require 30 semester hours of course work. Admission to the program is based on the applicant’s undergraduate record and the score made on the Graduate Management Admission Test. Generally, a GMAT score of 450 or higher is required for admissions. Foreign students must earn a TOEFL score of 600 or above on a paper-based test, or at least 250 on the computer-based test.


**Typical Course Offerings**
- **Accy 501** Internal Auditing
- **Accy 509** Corporate Income Tax
- **Accy 521** International Accounting
- **Accy 525** Professional Report Writing
- **Accy 530** Accounting Information Processes and Analytics
- **Accy 601** Financial Accounting Theory and Analytics
- **Accy 603** Contemporary Taxation
- **Accy 605** Managerial Accounting and Business Intelligence
- **Accy 609** Current Topics in Accounting Information Systems and Analytics
- **Accy 610** Auditing Seminar
- **Accy 612** Tax Research Seminar
- **Accy 615** Current Issues in Accounting, Auditing, Regulation, and Business Decisions (CPA Review)
- **Accy 626** Estate and Gift Taxation
- **Accy 628** Data Modeling, Mining and Visualization for Accounting and Taxation
- **Accy 690** Professionalism, Policy and Research

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