



# MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA) - ACCOUNTING CONCENTRATION

## CAREER PREPARATION

National hiring trends show that the MBA with a concentration in accounting is the degree/certification combination most sought after by recruiters and companies intending to hire accountants. The degree prepares students for CPA licensure, which opens career opportunities in all fields of accounting.

The School of Business is known for preparing exceptional graduates because of our commitment to achieving excellence in business education. We provide our students with an understanding of current accounting, finance, and management theories, the practical applications of those theories, and the ethical problems which they might encounter. Our graduates are also prepared to adapt to the rapid changes of a global economy.

Completion of the MBA program, in conjunction with a 120-credit B.S. degree program in accounting from Fisher, or another comparably accredited institution, will fulfill New York state's 150 hour educational licensure requirement. Individuals without an undergraduate degree in accounting may still obtain the MBA with a concentration in accounting.

For additional information on what coursework may be needed for entrance to the program, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at (585) 385-8064 or [grad@sjfc.edu](mailto:grad@sjfc.edu).

## ACCREDITATION

Preparing for a career in business requires choosing the best business school—one with top faculty, impactful research, driven students, and the highest standards of quality.



AACSB-accredited schools must pass very rigorous quality standards. They have been proven to provide the best in business education worldwide. AACSB-accredited schools are recognized worldwide by top employers and other universities.

The School of Business at St. John Fisher College has been proudly accredited since 2003.



## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The MBA with a concentration in accounting provides an outstanding education at a remarkable value. There are many reasons that make Fisher the program of choice for accountants.

**Flexibility:** Fisher offers students the opportunity to complete their MBA in as little as one year or up to six years. We offer the flexibility to customize the MBA program to leverage each student's available learning time.

Classes are offered late afternoon and weeknights to accommodate the schedules of busy working adults, or to allow students ample time for professional opportunities. Fisher's vast network of local alumni and employers is an excellent source of employment for students who wish to work part-time while studying full-time.

**Accelerated Time to Degree:** Individuals with an undergraduate degree in accounting or equivalent may be able to reduce the number of foundation courses taken in the MBA program and potentially complete the program in as few as 30 credit hours, or one year, on a full-time basis.

**Faculty:** The faculty possess excellent academic and professional credentials, along with significant practical work experience in the areas of tax, audit, private, and not-for-profit accounting in domestic as well as international venues.

**Employment/Recruitment:** Faculty and Career Center staff work closely with students to provide individual career coaching, while also organizing presentations and interviews with recruiters seeking Fisher accounting students. Employment rates have been at or near 100% the past several years for graduating classes.

**Curriculum:** The objective of the curriculum is to educate future CPAs as well as those interested in working in the various fields of accounting. The curriculum qualifies graduates to meet the educational requirements for licensing as a CPA in New York state.

## SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES

Approximately two-thirds of the program's graduates start their careers in public accounting. Recent graduates begin their careers with companies such as:

AP Professionals	Insero & Company
The Bonadio Group	Kasperski, Owen & Dinan CPAs, LLC
Brighton Securities	KPMG LLP
Constellation Brands	Lumsden & McCormick, LLP
Crowe Horwath International	Manning & Napier Group of Companies
Daly Sirianni & Company CPAs LLP	Mengel, Metzger, Barr & Co. LLP
Dannible & McKee, LLP	NYS Department of Taxation and Finance
Davie Kaplan, CPA, P.C.	Office of the NYS Comptroller
Dejoy, Knauf & Blood LLP	Paychex, Inc.
Deloitte LLP	PricewaterhouseCoopers
Eastman Kodak Company	Providenza & Wright, LLC
EFP Rotenberg, LLP	Testone, Marshall & Discenza, LLP, CPAs
Ernst & Young LLP	Turning Stone Resort & Casino
Ernst & Young LLP - Risk Advisory Services	University of Rochester LLP
Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Firley, Moran, Freer & Essa, LLP	

## ACCOUNTING ALUMNI SOCIETY

The Accounting Alumni Society at St. John Fisher College was founded in 2008 by a dedicated group of accounting alumni. The purpose of the society is to recognize the contributions of accounting graduates to the fields of public accounting, private and corporate business sectors, government, education, and other areas. Its founding members are Steve Terrigino '89, Jill Knittel '94/'03 (MBA), John Magee '81, Cheryl Yawman '86, and Victor Salerno '66.