

TAXATION & ANALYTICS (MSTA) ONLINE

Program Description

The Master of Science (MS) in Taxation & Analytics is an integrated program of study that provides the foundation for exceptional performance and leadership in the field of taxation.

One of the first MS in taxation programs in the United States, DePaul's program is structured for working professionals to enhance understanding and analysis of complex tax statutes, tax regulations, related cases and rulings, and the Internal Revenue Code.

MS in Taxation & Analytics students gain technical competencies; analytical, communications and interpretive skills; and leadership abilities that prepare them to add value at the highest levels in their firms, businesses and organizations.

Program Features

Faculty expertise. Program faculty bring top academic and professional qualifications into the classroom and are experts in the specific topics they teach. Faculty include a broad range of distinguished individuals working in tax firms and government, including professionals from RSM, the Internal Revenue Service, Deloitte, PwC, EY, Grant Thornton and KPMG.

Top-ranking program. The program has been ranked among the top 10 tax programs in the nation, based on a survey of employers conducted by TaxTalent, the largest online network of tax professionals. The survey provides a valuable index of which accounting schools are highly regarded by alumni and tax firm hiring professionals.

Program Requirements	Quarter Hours
Introductory Courses (varies with prior coursework)	0-8
Degree Requirements (varies with admission term and course selection)	48
Total hours required	48-56

Learning Outcomes

- Exhibit sophisticated knowledge related to tax accounting rules and regulations, and analyze and resolve tax problems.
- Identify, define, and resolve tax issues through their understanding, knowledge, and application of research methods and databases.
- Recognize and apply relevant ethical standards as required in tax practice.
- Demonstrate an understanding of tax issues from an international perspective.
- Understand how data analytics is used to facilitate tax decisions.
- Exhibit effective written communication skills relevant to the tax profession.

Degree Requirements

Course Requirements

Students earn their MS in Taxation & Analytics degree by completing a minimum of 48 credits, normally 12 courses. Eight courses are required with additional four elective courses chosen from a list of course options.

Prerequisite Courses

Students are expected to have completed Principles of Accounting ACC 500 and one introductory tax course ACC 548 prior to beginning the program.

Required Courses

The following eight courses are required:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
ACC 551	TAX TREATMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS	4
ACC 558	TAX RESEARCH	4
ACC 565	TAX ACCOUNTING, PERIODS, AND METHODS	4
ACC 578	DATA ANALYTICS IN TAX	4
ACC 579	TAX TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH: AI AND MORE	4
ACC 598	SEMINAR ON CURRENT PROBLEMS IN TAXATION	4
ACC 637	DATA MINING AND ANALYTICS ¹	4
ACC 645	FORENSIC AND INVESTIGATIVE ACCOUNTING ¹	4

¹ ACC 367 and ACC 645 can be substituted with additional tax courses with approval.

Electives

Choose from among the following tax courses to reach 48 credits total to complete the program:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
ACC 563	PARTNERSHIPS	4
ACC 567	INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS OF U.S. TAXATION	4
ACC 568	TAXATION OF S CORPORATIONS	4
ACC 580	ACCOUNTING FOR INCOME TAXES	4
ACC 592	FEDERAL INCOME TAX OF INDIVIDUALS	4
ACC 615	APPLIED STATISTICS FOR ACCOUNTANTS	4
ACC 635	INTRODUCTION TO FRAUD EXAMINATION	4
GSB 519	BUSINESS ANALYTICS TOOLS (FORMERLY GSB420)	4
IB 750	INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SEMINAR I	4
MGT 563	NEGOTIATION SKILLS	4
MGT 585	FUNDAMENTALS OF BUSINESS ANALYTICS	4
MGT 586	DATA VISUALIZATION	4
MGT 598	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	4

Degree Requirements

- Satisfactory completion of the college residency requirement.
- Satisfactory completion of 48 credit hours applicable to the degree.
- All courses for credit toward the degree must be completed with satisfactory grades within six calendar years after the candidate's first term of enrollment in the Kellstadt Graduate School of Business. After a lapse of six years a course is expired. An expired course is not acceptable for the purpose of satisfaction of degree requirements and is not applicable to the degree without the written permission of the faculty program director or the Kellstadt Graduate School of Business.