

TAXATION (MSTAX) ONLINE

Program Description

The Master of Science (MS) in taxation 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 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)	46
Total hours required	46-54

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

- 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.
- Write skillful tax communications and be skillful in oral presentations.
- Demonstrate an understanding of tax issues from an international perspective.
- Understand how data analytics is used to facilitate tax decisions.

Degree Requirements

Course Requirements

Students earn their MS in Taxation degree by completing a minimum of 46 credits, normally 12 courses. Eight courses are required with additional courses chosen from a list of tax electives.

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 560	TAXATION OF CORPORATIONS AND SHAREHOLDERS	4
ACC 565	TAX ACCOUNTING, PERIODS, AND METHODS	4
ACC 566	FEDERAL INCOME TAX PROCEDURES	4
ACC 590	WRITING FOR TAX PROFESSIONALS	2
ACC 598	SEMINAR ON CURRENT PROBLEMS IN TAXATION	4

Select one international tax course:

ACC 567	INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS OF U.S. TAXATION	
ACC 582	ADVANCED CONCEPTS IN INTERNATIONAL TAXATION	
ACC 583	FUNDAMENTALS OF TRANSFER PRICING IN BUSINESS	
ACC 798	SPECIAL TOPICS (Expatriate Taxation)	
ACC 798	SPECIAL TOPICS (Comparative Tax Systems)	

Tax Electives

Choose from among the following tax courses to reach 46 credits total to complete the program:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
ACC 561	CORPORATE REORGANIZATIONS	
ACC 562	CONSOLIDATED RETURNS	
ACC 563	PARTNERSHIPS	
ACC 564	TRANSACTIONS IN PROPERTY	
ACC 567	INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS OF U.S. TAXATION	
ACC 568	TAXATION OF CLOSELY HELD CORPORATIONS	
ACC 569	CONCEPTS OF DEFERRED COMPENSATION	
ACC 570	STATE AND LOCAL INCOME AND FRANCHISE TAXATION	
ACC 571	ESTATE AND GIFT TAXATION	

ACC 572	CONCEPTS OF STATE PROPERTY AND TRANSACTION TAXATION
ACC 573	INCOME TAXATION OF ESTATES, TRUSTS AND DECEDENTS
ACC 574	ESTATE PLANNING
ACC 576	FEDERAL TAX VALUATION
ACC 580	ACCOUNTING FOR INCOME TAXES
ACC 581	TAXATION OF REAL ESTATE
ACC 582	ADVANCED CONCEPTS IN INTERNATIONAL TAXATION
ACC 583	FUNDAMENTALS OF TRANSFER PRICING IN BUSINESS
ACC 591	TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS
ACC 592	FEDERAL INCOME TAX OF INDIVIDUALS
ACC 594	FAMILY OFFICE AND MULTIGENERATIONAL PLANNING
ACC 798	SPECIAL TOPICS (In Taxation)

Degree Requirements

- Satisfactory completion of the college residency requirement.
- Satisfactory completion of 46 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.