The W. P. Carey Master of Accountancy (MACC) program can help launch your career in accountancy, auditing, or consulting. Nearly 95% of 2018 MACC graduates with U.S. work authorization were employed within 90 days of graduation.

In less than one year, you can earn your master's and begin your career at an advanced level compared to recent college graduates. In fact, with access to Surgent CPA Review materials, MACC students can prepare for and pass the CPA exam while enrolled in our program.

Excellent scholarships are available for highly qualified students. A mentoring program pairs you with alumni who can offer advice on the program and your career path.

"You get to network with a lot of firms in the MACC program, whether it’s the Big Four, mid-tier, or private firms. You get that connection in the W. P. Carey School you might not be able to get in another program."

Zach Bellis, MACC 2016

The MACC fulfills current course requirements for the CPA exam.

Accelerate your career

After graduation, the Master of Accountancy Class of 2018 began careers with some of the best-known companies in the world, including:

BDO  KPMG LLP
Deloitte LLP  PricewaterhouseCoopers
E&Y  Xingye Bank

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Develop technical knowledge and career skills through a case-based curriculum.

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Master of Accountancy curriculum

In under a year, the curriculum will provide you with the skills to start your professional career in accounting. Through case-based projects and team exercises, you will expand your functional expertise, learn how to articulate views and insights, simplify complex ideas and challenge business assumptions, build your strategic thinking and communication skills, and expand your knowledge of business operations and emerging technology.

The MACC curriculum is updated each year with input from accounting professionals and alumni to reflect the dynamic nature of accounting careers.

Analytics for Accountants
Examine analytics in the accounting function. Calculate, interpret, and apply descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive analytics in a variety of case settings focusing on auditing, risk management, forensics, and strategic planning decisions and events.

Internal Controls Audit and Fraud Prevention & Detection
Learn internal control frameworks and U.S. GAAS for financial statement audits and audits of internal controls. Define fraud: What it is and how it is committed, detected, and resolved.

Professional Accounting Research
Apply FASB and IASB regulatory guidance to solve complex financial reporting issues. Improve your analytical, critical thinking, and communication skills through cases, class participation, and presentations, and learn how to use FASB Codification and eIFRS and how to write detailed and concise research memos.

Advanced Auditing
Build on undergraduate auditing concepts and master in-depth aspects of auditing, as well as emerging issues influencing the process and profession. Case studies will develop your critical thinking and analytical skills as they relate to auditing.

Advanced Financial Accounting
Learn advanced financial accounting topics, including consolidation (acquisition) accounting with outside ownership, intercompany transactions, and variable interest entities; derivative and hedge accounting of foreign currencies; equity-based compensation accounting; and foreign currency translation for financial reporting purposes.

Financial Forensics and Fraud Detection
Focus on litigation support to apply the forensic process to real-world cases, and utilize best practices in planning, preparing, gathering, and preserving information; discovery; reporting; ethics; and testifying as a legal expert.

Corporate Governance, Ethics, and Sustainability Reporting
Build awareness and critical thinking skills around corporate governance structures, their strengths, weaknesses, and differing ethical norms. Through case studies and relevant articles, you will learn how environmental, social, and governance metrics are changing traditional annual reports and the profession.

Performance Measurement and Advanced Managerial Accounting
Explore how managerial controls drive organizational performance. Case studies develop your critical thinking skills and knowledge of how organizations work in practice. Topics include responsibility accounting, risk management, performance measurement, and incentives.

Taxes and Business Strategy
Address how taxes affect management decisions, strategic choices, asset prices, and financial and operational structures. Evaluate tax planning opportunities in U.S. and multinational settings and tax disclosures in financial statements.

Shareholder Value Creation and Financial Statement Analysis
Analyze financial statements and performance using financial ratio analysis and basic valuation techniques. Learn how changing valuation assumptions influences value estimates and practice methods of communicating your findings.

Companies that hire our graduates

- APS — Arizona Public Service
- Arizona Office of the Auditor General
- Bank of Oklahoma
- Banner Health
- Barnett Management
- BDO USA
- Butler Hansen PC
- Deloitte LLP
- Ernst & Young
- Heinfeld, Meech & Co. PC
- Honeywell Aerospace
- Huawei Technologies
- KPMG LLP
- Moss Adams
- Perkins & Co.
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co. LLP
- Xingye Bank

STEM-designated program

The STEM designation – administered by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency within the Department of Homeland Security – allows eligible graduates on student visas access to an Optional Practical Training (OPT) extension, up to 36 months, as compared to 12 months for non-STEM degrees.

The longer work authorization term may help international students gain additional real-world skills and experience in the U.S.