Master of Taxation

In only nine months, the Master of Taxation (MTax) degree will enhance your strategic thinking, decision-making, and communication. Courses are taught by a mix of research faculty, former Big Four tax partners, and professionals with substantial experience and expertise. Explore the discipline in greater depth than you could in an accounting master’s with a tax concentration: Seven of the 10 courses are deep, technical, and tax-driven.

Individualized attention and development are hallmarks of the MTax program, with small class sizes, mentorship opportunities with program alumni, and a supportive community of students sitting for the CPA exam. In fact, many MTax students commonly pass the CPA exam while enrolled in our program.

Graduate fellowships are available for exceptional candidates, worth approximately $34,000 in tuition and benefits to nonresidents and $14,000 to Arizona residents.

I knew the MTax program was highly ranked, but when I visited the W. P. Carey School, there was a certain energy here. It solidified my feeling that W. P. Carey would provide me opportunities I would not have had at another school.

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The MTax fulfills current course requirements for the CPA exam. The Uniform CPA Examination

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Master of Taxation curriculum

The W. P. Carey Master of Taxation (MTax) program deepens and broadens your knowledge of taxation and opens doors to top hiring firms. Case-based courses and team assignments accelerate your learning and prepare you for the profession.

Quarter one
Tax Research, Professional Responsibilities, and Property Transactions
Examine the tax consequences of common types of property transactions and enhance your ability to identify tax issues, locate and understand tax authority, and apply the authority to factual situations.

Taxation/Pass-Through Entities
Develop a working knowledge of partnership income taxation. Topics include partnership taxation, partnership allocations, transactions between partners and partnerships, sales of partnership interests, distributions, and S corporations.

Quarter two
Analytics for Accountants
Focus on the role of analytics in the tax function in this hands-on course, using advanced tools and methods. Calculate, interpret, and apply descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive analytics in a variety of tax situations.

Multi-Jurisdictional Taxation I
Discover principles of multi-state taxation, including the interaction among various multi-state tax issues and federal and state constitutional constraints. This course covers income tax with an emphasis on corporate tax matters, sales/use/gross receipts/excise taxes, and property taxes.

Family Tax Planning and Wealth Transfer Taxation
Build your knowledge of individual tax matters, focusing primarily on high-income and high net worth individuals and their families. A case study approach encourages discussions, improves critical thinking skills, and prepares you to communicate in a technical, professional setting.

Quarter three
Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders
Master common situations in federal corporate taxation, including shareholder taxation. Explore the tax ramifications of corporate formations, operations, distributions to shareholders, liquidations, acquisitions, and reorganizations.

Multi-Jurisdictional Taxation II
Explore international taxation from a U.S. perspective, including tax treaties, transfer pricing, and inbound and outbound transactions. Explore current tax developments through cases focused on issue identification, research, professional judgment, and communication skills like those encountered in practice.

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 (ESG) metrics are changing traditional annual reports and the profession.

Quarter four
Taxes and Business Strategy
Address how taxes affect management decisions, strategic choices, asset prices, and the financial and operational structures of firms. 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, evaluate firms’ current performances (and assess whether it is sustainable) using financial ratio analysis and basic valuation techniques. Learn how changing valuation assumptions influences value estimates and practice communicating findings with memos, graphs/charts, and simulated client presentations.

Companies that hire our graduates
- CBIZ MHM LLC
- CBRE (CB Richard Ellis)
- CliftonLarsonAllen
- Clifton Douglas LLP
- Deloitte LLP
- Eide Bailly
- Ernst & Young
- Grant Thornton LLP
- Henry & Horne LLP
- King, Tripp, and Henry
- KPMG LLP
- Miller Russell Associates
- Moss Adams
- Pinto & Stewart PC
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Ryan LLC