

L1T509:Accounting



Postgraduate TaughtMSc2021

Essentials

UCAS code	
Degree	MSc
Mode of study	Full Time
Duration	1 year full-time
Start Date	27-09-2021
Location	Durham City (www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/durham.city)
More information	Still have questions? (www.durham.ac.uk/study/askus/)
Department(s) Website	www.durham.ac.uk/business

Course Summary

Description

Our innovative MSc Accounting programme sits within Durham's portfolio of Masters programmes. A one-year full-time programme, it provides an opportunity for you to develop an in-depth understanding of the theory and practice of accounting as well as the critical thinking skills so valued by employers. The MSc in Accounting covers key accounting topics including financial statements and their preparation and analysis, the practical limitations of financial reporting, contemporary and evolving practice in financial and non-financial accounting and reporting, management information for decision-making, and the practice and concepts of auditing.

This is an ideal programme to choose if you're looking to pursue a career in accountancy. The programme is intended for graduates in any subject or discipline; no previous study in accounting is necessary. Accounting undergraduate students, or students who have completed a professional accounting qualification may find some content of this programme overlaps with their prior learning.

Core and elective modules

To achieve your qualification you will need to successfully complete six core modules, two elective modules and a dissertation or research project.

You will study the below core modules:

- Auditing and Assurance Services
- Corporate Governance
- Financial Accounting and Reporting
- Financial Planning and Control
- Modern Accounting Research
- Research Methods in Accounting

You will then choose two electives from a range. Elective modules are drawn from Accounting, Management, Marketing and Islamic Finance disciplines, subject to availability.

Dissertation/Business Project

In the third term, you will carry out an original research project. This may be an independent piece of work or alternatively you may decide to develop a more applied project with an appropriate organisation. Supervised by a faculty member with relevant experience, you will investigate in greater detail a subject that you have already studied as part of your programme.

This is an opportunity for you to develop your business insight and present your analysis and ideas in a scholarly and professional manner.

Adding to your experience

As part of your programme, you may have the opportunity to enjoy presentations by leading academics and

practitioners within your chosen area of interest. Past speakers have included representatives of major global multinationals, global professional bodies and leading scholars, combining critical and progressive thinking with practical insights.

Accreditation

This programme carries exemptions from the ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) and CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accountants).

ACCA Exemptions

F1 Accountant in Business

F2 Management Accounting

F3 Financial Accounting

F4 Corporate and Business Law

CIMA Exemptions

BA1 Fundamentals of Business Economics

BA2 Fundamentals of Management Accounting

BA3 Fundamentals of Financial Accounting

BA4 Fundamentals of Ethics, Corporate Governance and Business Law

P1 Management Accounting

F1 Financial Reporting and Taxation

In addition, graduates of MSc Accounting who also have an undergraduate degree majoring in accounting, or those who are part-qualified accountants can join CIMA via the Master's gateway route. This route will allow graduates of MSc Accounting to take the CIMA Master's gateway assessment following which, if successful, CIMA will grant 11 exemptions from CIMA's certificate, operational and management level exams.

Covid-19: As the health and well-being of our students is our main priority opportunities to travel to international locations may not be able to happen. If further or continued government restrictions necessitate, we will deliver these important global learning experiences virtually.

Admissions Process

Subject requirements, level and grade

Application Deadlines:

October 2021 start

Please note: The application process will open 1st October for entry the following academic year. Our application deadline dates for this programme are:

- Applications from individuals resident in Mainland China must be received by 12 February 2021.

There is a high demand for places on these programmes. To maximise your chances of being offered one of these places, we recommend that you submit your application to the University as early as possible.

We aim to have a diverse student body and recognise that we can only offer places to a finite number of applicants. To help achieve our aim, we look to ensure we offer places to applicants from all nationalities and close applications when we receive the allocated numbers.

The University is under no obligation to make any offer of a place on the programme to any applicant, nor is the University obligated to fill all spaces available on the programme.

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If you are an international student who does not meet the requirements for direct entry to this degree, you may be eligible to take a pre-Masters pathway programme at the Durham University International Study Centre.

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What do I need first?

The equivalent of a UK first or upper second class honours degree. Check the full list of equivalent qualifications (www.dur.ac.uk/international/countryinfo/)

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How do I apply?

You will need to complete an online application form.

Fill out the online application form (studyatdurham.microsoftcrmportals.com)

To support your online application form, you will need to provide the following documents.

- Official transcript of marks
- Copy of degree certificate (if available)
- Copy of English test results (if available).

You can either upload your supporting documents with your online application or email them to the Postgraduate Admissions Office using the contact details below.

Note:

Only files of type .doc, .docx, .gif, .jpg, .pdf, .png, .rtf are permitted to be uploaded.
The maximum file size is 5MB.

Application fee

Once we receive your online application form, you'll get an automatic email within 48 hours asking you to pay the £60 application fee* which is required to progress your application.

You'll need to follow the link in the email to the webpage where you can confirm your details and make the payment using a debit or credit card. This is a secure website operated by Secpay, which will send you an automatic receipt of payment.

Once we receive confirmation that your application fee has been paid, we'll be able to progress your application.
If you do not pay the application fee your application will be automatically withdrawn.

College membership

All students of Durham University will become a member of one of our Colleges. Here is more information about what college membership means to our students (www.dur.ac.uk/experience/). Once you have accepted your postgraduate offer, the Accommodation and Allocations Office will contact you with further information regarding how to express college preferences. You can also apply for college accommodation if you wish to.

Admissions process

Here are the steps in the admissions process:

1. We will let you know when we've received your application.
2. If applicable, you will be asked to pay our application fee.

3. Once we've received all of your supporting documents, we will email you to let you know our decision.
4. If the decision is to make you an offer of a place on the programme we will let you know by email. Please note we do not issue hard copy offer letters as these are not required to obtain a student visa.
5. You should confirm the acceptance of your offer as soon as possible. In order to secure your place, you are required to pay a deposit **within six weeks** of the date of your original offer (check your offer documents for details of payment methods).
6. International students requiring a student visa will receive a CAS (Certificate of Acceptance of Studies) via email once all offer conditions are met, acceptance and deposit have been received and you are within five months of the start date of your programme.

Note: The University is under no obligation to make any offer of a place on the programme to any applicant, nor is the University obligated to fill all spaces available on the programme.

Consideration of any application received by the University after the expiry of the deadlines specified herein, shall be made at the sole discretion of the University.

English Language requirements

Please check requirements for your subject and level of study (www.durham.ac.uk/learningandteaching.handbook/1/3/3/)

How to apply

www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/apply

Fees and Funding

Full Time Fees

EU Student	£28,500.00 per year
Home Student	£14,500.00 per year
Island Student	£14,500.00 per year
International non-EU Student	£28,500.00 per year

The tuition fees shown are for one complete academic year of full time study, are set according to the academic year of entry, and remain the same throughout the duration of the programme for that cohort (**unless otherwise stated**).

Please also check costs for colleges and accommodation (www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/accommodation/costs/).

Scholarships and funding

www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/finance

Career Opportunities

Business School

For information on career options and employability, including the results of the Destination of Leavers survey, student and employer testimonials and details of work experience and study abroad opportunities, please click [here](http://www.durham.ac.uk/dbs/postgraduate/employability) (www.durham.ac.uk/dbs/postgraduate/employability).

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Open days and visits

Pre-application open day

www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit

Overseas Visit Schedule

www.durham.ac.uk/international/office/meetus

Postgraduate Visits

PGVI or

www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit/

Department Information

Business School

Overview

Durham University Business School is one of a small elite group of academic institutions worldwide who are accredited by all three major quality assurance bodies - AACSB, AMBA and EQUIS. This achievement is a testament to the quality of all our programmes, and gives you the extra assurance that they, and the School, have been rigorously tested and proven to be of high quality.

Connecting with business

Over the years we've built strong links with many leading global organisations. Companies such as KPMG, Deloitte and RBS give our students access to 'live' issues and practical challenges. At the same time, business partners gain a fresh perspective from us and benefit from our research and insights.

Bringing great minds together across the globe

We are a truly international business school with over 100 nationalities in our student and faculty bodies. Diverse perspectives and experiences feed into our learning, providing a unique insight into cultural nuances around the world. What's more, through our partnerships with other international universities, we're able to tap into a huge pool of global knowledge.

Thinking further

Creativity and critical thinking are two of the most valuable -and often overlooked - business skills. That's why we focus our teaching on developing agile, independent minds. Equipped with these vital skills, our graduates can tackle whatever business brings, however unpredictable. Employers tell us this is what sets Durham graduates apart.

Looking to the future

We may be inspired by our past, but we are firmly focused on the future. We're currently investing in new world-class facilities to match our reputation including the expansion of the Mill Hill Lane site and the development of improved teaching, office and events spaces.

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