

Graduate Certificate in Accounting (MGC001.2)

Please note these are the 2022 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	N/A
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	0.5 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Business School
UAC code	880166
English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.5 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

[View IELTS equivalences](#)

International students

Academic entry requirements	To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.
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[View UC's academic entry requirements](#)

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CRICOS code	098428F
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About this course

Practice accounting in Australia

UC's Graduate Certificate in Accounting is designed for students who may have an overseas accounting qualification and are required to undertake 4 units (12cp) to meet the requirements of the award.

Students entering this award must have their qualifications assessed by either CPA Australia or Chartered Accountants of Australia and New Zealand to identify the unit set required to meet accreditation requirements.

Through practical, hands-on learning, our coursework is designed to produce highly competent, work-ready graduates with an in-depth discipline knowledge, with the technical skills needed to work as socially responsible accounting professionals across the private and public sectors. Through a mix of theoretical knowledge and real-world learning experiences, our goal is for you to become an agile professional with diverse employment skills which are transferable across a range of different industries.

Please note, the Graduate Certificate in Accounting does not meet accreditation requirements for accounting professional bodies as an individual award.

The perfect pathway to further study, you can progress to UC's Graduate Diploma in Accounting and Master of Professional Accounting, applying credits from your completed units.

Study a Graduate Certificate in Accounting at UC and you will:

- gain varied technical, analytical and practical accounting skills.
- learn the accepted industry ethics and integrity standards.

- gain access to diverse industry contacts.
- work on real world problems in practical environments.
- explore professional accounting practices in industry, government and private practice.
- expand your professional networks.

Work Integrated Learning

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) is broadly defined as any learning activity or program that provides our students with industry experience. In the Faculty of Business, Government and Law, our courses are designed to seamlessly integrate practical learning opportunities. This allows our students to acquire essential skills and hands-on experience, while our industry partners gain access to a talented pool of motivated individuals who bring fresh perspectives and innovative ideas to the workplace.

We actively encourage UC students to develop not only technical accountancy skills but also the confidence to navigate a variety of industry accounting packages. By doing so, they can enhance their readiness for the workforce and build professional networks that will support their future career in accounting practice.

Career opportunities

- Accountant
- Accounts Officer
- Accounting Manager
- Auditor
- Budget Analyst
- Compliance Manager
- Cost account Manager
- Entertainment Production Accountant
- Financial Accountant
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Controller
- Forensic Accountant
- Management Accountant
- Personal Finance Advisor
- Tax Accountant.

Professional accreditation

As a standalone course this degree does not meet accreditation requirements for the accounting professional bodies.

Admission requirements

Applicants must have an undergraduate degree or equivalent as approved by the University.

Additional admission requirements

Students who have completed an undergraduate degree with a major in accounting with an Australian institution are ineligible for entry to the course. As an exit award, students must be enrolled in the Master of Professional Accounting and must have completed a minimum of 12 credit points to be eligible for the Graduate Certificate in Accounting.

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

Year	Location	Teaching period	Teaching start date	Domestic	International
2026	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	10 August 2026	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules and university policy](#).

Course requirements

Graduate Certificate in Accounting (MGC001) | 12 credit points

Restricted Choice - Must pass 12 credit points from the following

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

[Accounting Systems & Practices G \(6222\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

[Business Finance PG \(6224\) | 3 credit points – Level P](#)

[Business Law G \(6225\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

[Economics for Managers G \(6234\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

[Management Accounting PG \(6253\) | 3 credit points – Level P](#)

[Managing Government Finance G \(6260\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

[Risk Management PG \(8426\) | 3 credit points – Level P](#)

[Business and Government Internship PG \(8506\) | 3 credit points – Level P](#)

[BGL Research Project PG \(9504\) | 3 credit points – Level P](#)

[Research Methods PG \(9505\) | 3 credit points – Level P](#)

- Entrepreneurship PG (9691) | 3 credit points – Level P
- BGL Industry Project PG (11397) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Corporate Accounting PG (11403) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Law of Business Associations PG (11404) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Quantitative Methods in Commerce G (11405) | 3 credit points – Level G
- Revenue Law PG (11406) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Accounting and Decision Support Systems PG (11407) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Accounting Internship Preparation PG (11621) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Auditing and Assurance PG (11786) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Advanced Revenue Law PG (11787) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Advanced Issues in Accounting PG (11788) | 3 credit points – Level P
- Law of Financial Services PG (11789) | 3 credit points – Level P

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

Course information

Course duration

Standard 0.5 years full time or part-time equivalent. Maximum 3 years from date of enrolment to date of course completion.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
<p>Analyse, interpret and synthesise theoretical and technical financial and/or related information to solve accounting problems;</p>	<p>UC graduates are lifelong learners: reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development; adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas;</p>
<p>Integrate select theoretical and technical knowledge and skills in accounting and related disciplines;</p>	<p>UC graduates are professional: employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve</p>

theoretical and real-world problems;

Argue, justify, collaborate and communicate ethical, socially responsible and sustainable accounting advice and ideas to a select range of stakeholders demonstrating high levels of personal autonomy and accountability;

UC graduates are professional: communicate effectively;

UC graduates are global citizens: think globally about issues in their profession; communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings; behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives.

UC graduates are lifelong learners: reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development;

Exercise initiative and professional judgement to solve accounting and/or related business problems in diverse contexts using social, ethical, economic, regulatory and global perspectives;

UC graduates are professional: employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; display initiative and drive, and use their organisational skills to plan and manage their workload;

UC graduates are global citizens: think globally about issues in their profession; adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries; understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures; communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings; behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives.

UC graduates are lifelong learners: adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas;

Seek and engage in a select range of authentic, work-integrated learning opportunities to reflect on performance and improve professional practice for themselves and others.

UC graduates are professional: communicate effectively; use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems; take pride in their professional and personal integrity.

UC graduates are lifelong learners: be self-aware;

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Graduate Certificate in Accounting	GradCert Acc

Alternative exits

297JA Master of Professional Accounting

MGG001 Graduate Diploma in Accounting

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Current and Commencing Students	In person, Student Centre Building 1 (take a BGL Faculty course advice ticket) or Email bglstudent@canberra.edu.au
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)

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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.