

FORENSIC ACCOUNTING GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Banner Code: BU-CERG-FACC

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The Graduate Certificate in Forensic Accounting provides an opportunity for students to acquire education in the emerging field of forensic accounting. Students with a bachelor's degree in accounting can also use the certificate as a means of obtaining the necessary 150 hours of academic credit to qualify to sit for the Virginia CPA exam.

The Forensic Accounting Graduate Certificate may be pursued on a part-time basis. Maintaining full-time status is not guaranteed.

Admissions & Policies

Admissions

Eligibility Requirements

All students registering for School of Business graduate courses must have graduate standing. Non-degree student status is not available. Full eligibility and admission requirements can be viewed at the school's website (<http://business.gmu.edu/masters-in-accounting/forensic-accounting>).

Policies

For policies governing all graduate certificates, see AP6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates.

Students are responsible for familiarization and compliance with the university's Graduate Policies contained in this catalog. A maximum of 3 graduate credits taken at another institution can be transferred to the graduate certificate. The time limit for completion is four years from the date of admission to the graduate certificate. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 to complete the certificate.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 12

This certificate may be pursued on a part-time basis only.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
ACCT 737	Fraud and the Law	3
ACCT 738	Advanced Topics in Fraud	3
ACCT 636	Fraud Examination	3
or CFRS 770	Fraud and Forensics in Accounting	
Total Credits		9

Elective

Code	Title	Credits
Select 3 credits from the following:		
ACCT 701	Business Valuation	
ACCT 742	Governance and Ethics	
CFRS 500	Introduction to Forensic Technology and Analysis	
CFRS 510	Digital Forensics Analysis	
CFRS 660	Network Forensics	
CFRS 661	Digital Media Forensics	
Total Credits		3

Students in the MS in Accounting (MSA) program are required to take ACCT 636 Fraud Examination and can take ACCT 701 Business Valuation, ACCT 737 Fraud and the Law and ACCT 738 Advanced Topics in Fraud as electives.