UC Davis
Master of Professional Accountancy

“Tips & Tricks for Your Application”
Agenda

- Program Eligibility
- Application Materials
- Fall 2023 Application Deadline
- Gameplan for Application

Confirm your attendance with the Google Form released in the chat box.
Why MPAc?

• Immerse yourself in a close-knit community of faculty, alumni and peers

• Accelerate your career in 9 months

• Gain both accounting fundamentals, exposure to timely topics, and career development support

• Supports CA education requirements for CPA eligibility

• Proven ROI with strong placement & average starting salaries
Program Eligibility

The requirements to qualify for the MPAc program are:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Successful completion of the following four courses, or their equivalents:
  - Introduction to Financial Accounting
  - Introduction to Managerial Accounting
  - Business Law
  - Statistics

The prerequisite courses may be "in progress" at the time of applying, but must be completed before beginning the MPAc program in the fall. Prerequisites cannot be taken concurrently with the MPAc curriculum.

Tips & Tricks

- Assist.org: search transferable courses from CA junior colleges [https://assist.org/]
- Have a plan for “in progress”
  - Prepare for “conditional admittance”
- In your junior year? Consider doing an early admit for the Fall 2024 (2024-25 cohort)
Admissions Overview

• Any undergraduate degree is accepted

• Successful applicants have impressive records of achievement and the promise to accomplish much more

• No work experience required, but we recommend highlighting other indicators of success

• Ready to dedicate themselves full-time for 9 months

• Set curriculum, cohort-based program; students begin in Fall Quarter (September)
Application Materials

- Resume
- Personal statement (SOP) - 250 words
- Transcripts
- GMAT/GRE scores
- TOEFL/IELFTS scores
- Recommendations
- Application fee
- Activities, awards and honors
- Optional essay

Tips & Tricks: Resume & SOP

- Include all relevant indicator of success (professional promise)
  - Volunteer work
  - Group projects
  - Future internships
- “Why”; communicate your passion effectively
- “250”
- Grammar/spelling check
- Have others read and provide feedback
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Tips & Tricks: Transcripts

- Yes, all of it

- Unofficial is OK; official is mandatory only when offered admissions (Sept deadline)

- International candidates: All official academic records must be issued in the original language and accompanied by English translation prepared by the issuing institution
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Tips & Tricks: Exams

- Cumulative GPAs of 3.2+ from a domestic institution can waive GMAT/GRE
- No minimum GMAT/GRE score
- [https://gsm.ucdavis.edu/master-professional-accountancy/admissions/gmat-gre-resources](https://gsm.ucdavis.edu/master-professional-accountancy/admissions/gmat-gre-resources)
- Applicants must submit official TOEFL or IELTS examination scores unless they have earned or will be earning a bachelor’s, master’s, or doctoral degree from either:
  - A regionally accredited U.S. college or university where English is the sole language of instruction, OR
  - A foreign college or university which provides instruction solely in English
- TOEFL and IELTS scores are good for 2 years
- TOEFL minimum score is 105, IELTS minimum is 7.5
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Tips & Tricks: Recommendations & Application Fee
- Choose a recommender who knows you
- Provide your recommender with the tools for success
- Commonly see one faculty and one supervisor as recommenders
- Provide the deadline date to your recommenders
- Use the chat link to confirm that you attended this event to claim your application fee waiver!
### Application Deadlines

#### Fall 2023 MPAc Application Deadlines

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**Final Application Deadline for Fall 2023**

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Application Gameplan

GRE/GMAT Waived & Attended Domestic Institution

Update resume & identify recommenders
12/2

Work on SOP (have others review!), start application so recommenders receive web link
12/16

Finalize SOP, obtain unofficial transcripts, check in with recommenders
1/6

Submit
1/16 or sooner

No Waiver for GRE/GMAT & Attended Domestic Institution

Take practice GMAT/GRE exam to determine best fit; determine which exam you want to take and create study plan
12/2

Update resume & identify recommenders
12/16

Work on SOP (have others review!), start application so recommenders receive web link
12/23

Finalize SOP, obtain unofficial transcripts, check in with recommenders
1/13

Take GRE/GMAT exam
2/24

Submit
3/13 or sooner
Questions?