

"As one of the nation's top ten consulting firms, CliftonLarsonAllen is always looking for accounting graduates that are 'CPA ready.' The Master of Accountancy program will provide Florida Southern graduates with a distinctive advantage as they enter the workforce, another example of the type of high-quality program FSC delivers to its students."



— **JANICE TEDDER JONES**  
Principal, CliftonLarsonAllen

**BY THE NUMBERS**

**\$77,510**

Average salary for tax accountants and tax preparers (or more with experience).

**90%**

Business school alumni say their graduate management education increased their earning power.

More than  
**4 in 5**

Business school graduates say their graduate management education enhanced their competitiveness and innovation.





## PATHWAYS TO LICENSURE

To be licensed as a CPA in the state of Florida, you must pass the Uniform CPA Examination and complete one year of supervised experience. At Florida Southern, you can prepare for licensure in a format that fits your particular career goals.



### Master of Accountancy

- Earn your graduate accounting degree in as little as 16 months
- Complete 30 additional academic hours for licensure
- Prepare for the licensure exam with a CPA Review included in your curriculum



### MBA with a CPA Licensure Certificate

- Complete your CPA Licensure Certificate in as little as 16 months
- Earn a graduate business degree
- Complete 16 additional accounting hours + 28 business hours



### CPA Licensure Certificate Program

- For professionals with more than 120 hours toward licensure
- Earn a CPA Licensure Certificate with our non-degree seeking undergraduate and graduate courses



### Bachelor's Degree in Accounting

- Complete your B.S. in Accounting through FSC's Adult Undergraduate Program and:
  - Transition into our MAcc program for CPA preparation or
  - Earn your bachelor's degree and seek a CPA Licensure Certificate as a fifth-year accounting student



Only five percent of business schools are accredited by the AACSB. Florida Southern College's Barney Barnett School of Business & Free Enterprise is one of them. We're known for offering high-quality, practical business training with a focus on dedicated faculty, engaged learning, global thinking, and service.

"My goal is to ensure that each MAcc student achieves his or her goals on the road to CPA licensure and is extensively prepared for a professional accounting career."



— DR. LYNN CLEMENTS



## THINKING ABOUT A CAREER IN ACCOUNTING?

Financial service is the fifth fastest growing industry in the South. So, how do you set yourself apart? By seeking a degree from a highly recognized institution. With accreditation by top agencies like the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the Barney Barnett School of Business & Free Enterprise stands way ahead of the rest.



## MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY PROGRAM

Got an eye on graduate school? Our Master of Accountancy program prepares you for the Uniform CPA Examination and meets the 150-hour academic requirement to become a CPA. Specifically designed for working professionals, our program combines rigorous online coursework and traditional face-to-face classes.

To ensure you're ready for the licensure exam, we're one of the few programs in the nation to incorporate a CPA Exam Review—into our curriculum, at no additional cost. And with our accelerated approach, you can complete the program in as few as 16 months.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To apply, complete the MAcc application (available free online) and submit:

1. A statement of purpose
2. One recommendation form (available online) or letter of reference
3. A current résumé
4. Official transcripts from all institutions
5. Official GRE or GMAT score
6. Proof of satisfactory completion of all prerequisite courses

### PREREQUISITE COURSES

#### Accounting Courses

ACC 2111 Foundations of Financial Accounting

ACC 2112 Foundations of Managerial Accounting

ACC 3111 Financial Accounting I

ACC 3112 Financial Accounting II

ACC 3211 Cost Accounting

ACC 4411 Federal Taxation

ACC 4511 Auditing

#### Business Courses

BUS 2217 Principles of Management

BUS 3160 Marketing Principles

BUS 3311 Legal Environment of Business

BUS 3320 Applied Statistics of Business and Economics

BUS 3453 Managerial Finance

BUS 4999 Seminar in Strategic Management of the Business Enterprise

ECO 2205 Principles of Microeconomics

ECO 2207 Principles of Macroeconomics



## MBA WITH A CPA LICENSURE CERTIFICATE

Maybe you're not sure a MAcc is right for you. Maybe you're looking to change careers and become a CPA. Or maybe you're considering accounting management. Whatever your reasons for pursuing CPA licensure, a Florida Southern MBA with CPA Licensure Certificate gives you many options.

### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

For the CPA Licensure Certificate, you'll complete 28 hours of graduate business courses as well as 16 elective hours, including courses such as:

- Corporate Taxation
- Auditing with Accounting Information Systems
- Advanced Financial Accounting & Reporting
- Advanced Managerial Accounting

### PREREQUISITE COURSES

Prerequisites include a business undergraduate degree or minor and the following courses:

- Foundations of Financial Accounting
- Foundations of Managerial Accounting
- Financial Accounting I
- Financial Accounting II
- Cost Accounting
- Federal Taxation
- Auditing

## MBA WITH AN ACCOUNTING SPECIALIZATION

If you're not sure about the CPA but still want to learn more about accounting, our MBA also offers an accounting specialization. While this option won't certify you for CPA licensure, it will give you the training and foundation to understand the implications of accounting within the larger context of business.



Applicants with non-US and non-accounting degrees may need to take additional undergraduate courses to qualify for the MAcc.

Please submit these requirements electronically to [evening@flsouthern.edu](mailto:evening@flsouthern.edu).

All official documents should be sent to:

**Florida Southern College**

Office of Adult and Graduate Admission

111 Lake Hollingsworth Drive, Lakeland, FL 33801



According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the average national annual salary for accountants and auditors is \$77,510. They also project employment of accountants to grow 13 percent until 2022.







### **CPA LICENSURE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

If you already have more than 120 hours toward licensure and only need a few courses to meet the 150 academic hour requirement, FSC's CPA Licensure Certificate program allows you to take what you need when you need it. We offer a range of non-degree seeking undergraduate and graduate courses to choose from. Best of all, it's tailored to you—you'll work with a professor to design your own track to CPA licensure.

### **STILL NEED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE?**

FSC's Adult Undergraduate Program is the perfect way to earn your degree in accounting. Then, transition into the MAcc program for CPA preparation, which includes a CPA Review.

If you're not interested in a master's degree, you can still complete your bachelor's and seek a CPA Licensure Certificate as a fifth-year accounting student.

### **Are you a current FSC accounting major?**

You may be eligible to complete the MAcc in conjunction with your bachelor's degree. Contact the Office of Adult and Graduate Admission for details at **863.680.4205**.

### **EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS, DEDICATED TEACHERS**

Our accounting faculty members have years of practical and professional experience—working with major firms, consulting, and conducting fraud investigations. Not only do they have the knowledge to help you succeed, but they're also dedicated teachers who ensure your learning addresses today's accounting challenges and best practices.

### **INNOVATIVE & COMPREHENSIVE**

Our course offerings integrate accounting practices, professional ethics, and quantitative and qualitative analysis with the managerial skills today's business leaders need. Through classes that include forensic accounting as well as tax, cost accounting, and auditing, you'll gain the knowledge and confidence to solve complex problems, develop forward-thinking strategies, and be respected in your field.

### **THE INSTITUTE FOR ACCOUNTING EXCELLENCE**

The Barney Barnett School of Business & Free Enterprise is home to our Institute for Accounting Excellence (IAE), which encourages and incorporates continuing professional education courses for students. The IAE also houses our academic research publication "Journal of Accounting and Free Enterprise." The IAE hosts an annual conference on fraud detection and prevention.

### **WANT TO LEVERAGE YOUR NEW DEGREE?**

Advisors will help you polish your résumé and hone your interviewing and job-seeking skills. Looking for professional connections? Expand your network with meetings of the Florida Institute of CPAs, the Institute of Management Accountants, and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.

### **OUR GRADUATES ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH FIRMS SUCH AS:**

- Publix Supermarkets
- KPMG
- Raymond James Financial
- Crowe Horwath, LLP
- GEICO
- BDO, LLP
- NASA Johnson Space Center
- CliftonLarsonAllen
- City of Lakeland
- Polk County
- The Nielsen Company
- Ernst & Young (EY)
- Price Waterhouse Coopers (PWC)
- Cross, Fernandez & Riley, LLP
- CPS Investment Advisers
- Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC)
- Adamson + Co., PA
- The Walt Disney Company
- City of Bartow
- Baylis & Co., PA
- Wall Titus, LLC
- Marriott
- Protiviti
- Lockheed Martin