

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN TAXATION

Being a tax professional is a challenging and rewarding career, as you will apply an extensive set of financial rules in a variety of organizations - certified public accounting (CPA) firms, law firms, corporations, tax-exempt organizations, and in branches of government.

The rules are ever evolving and changing, as are the tools utilized to perform functions such as tax return preparation and tax impact modeling. Considering the global business and tax implications that exist in many organizations today, you have the platform to utilize these skills to provide significant value in any organization.

The Graduate Certificate in Taxation is taught by a combination of professors that bring significant research and teaching credentials and instructors from the business community that bring real-world experience to the classroom.

Through this program, you will receive the advanced training to be a consultant with a CPA or law firm, be part of an organization's internal financial staff, or serve as an auditor with a government agency. The courses included with the certificate will train you to research and apply the rules to the issues identified, with sound factual and legal reasoning resulting in a supportable conclusion. You will further be prepared to apply those conclusions to positions on tax returns or in transaction modeling projects where mitigating the tax impact is essential.

Curriculum

Students who wish to earn a Graduate Certificate in Taxation must complete the required 15 graduate credit hours with an overall GPA of 3.00 or better. The curriculum consists of five required courses:

Required Core Courses (9 Credits)

- BUS ADM 821** Business Taxation
- BUS ADM 823** Corporate Income Taxation
- BUS ADM 828** Taxation of Partnerships S Corps and LLCs

Elective Courses, choose two from the following (6 Credits)

- BUS ADM 820** Tax, Practice and Procedure
- BUS ADM 826** Tax Planning for Individuals
- BUS ADM 839** Topics in Taxation (ex: Tax Issues and Planning for Multi-jurisdictional businesses)

The 15 required credits may be taken in any sequence, and students may enter the program in the summer, fall, or spring semester. A maximum of one three-credit course from another college or university may be considered for transfer to the Certificate program. There is a time limit of three years from initial enrollment for completion of the Certificate program.

Admission

Those who wish to enroll in the Certificate program must, at a minimum, have completed a bachelor's or masters degree in business, with a major in accounting or finance, or a Juris Doctor law degree. Coursework must include at least one course in taxation, and have an overall GPA of 2.75 or better. Prospective students may apply to the Graduate School as candidates for the certificate program alone (in non-degree status), or they may pursue the certificate in combination with the MBA program or MS in Management program at the Lubar College of Business.

Admission to the Certificate program requires transcripts before the application can be processed. Transcripts must be sent directly to the Graduate School, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, P.O. Box 340, Milwaukee, WI 53201, from the institution. The Graduate School needs only the transcript of the highest degree earned. The application is online at graduateschool-apply.uwm.edu.

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