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Reach for more. With an MSA/MBA from Northeastern, you can earn two degrees — an MS in Accounting and an MBA — in just 15 months. Our full-time program is specifically designed for liberal arts and non-accounting majors. You can start right after you complete your undergraduate degree. Gain hands-on experience through a three-month paid residency at a leading accounting firm. Graduate from the program prepared to take the CPA (Certified Public Accountant) exam. And get ready to hit the ground running with a new job at a regional, national, or Big Four accounting firm. Learn more. Experience more. Achieve more. Reach for Northeastern's MSA/MBA.



ACCELERATE YOUR SUCCESS.

Earn two degrees in just 15 months.

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June – December:
Core accounting classes

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January – March:
Paid residency at an accounting firm

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April – August:
MBA and advanced accounting classes



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“NORTHEASTERN’S MSA/MBA WAS THE right choice for me because I knew I could start right from undergrad, work at an accounting firm for three months, and earn two degrees. You really can’t find that anywhere else. The MSA prepares you with expertise in accounting, and the MBA gives you a strong business background.”

Michael Quirk
BA, Amherst College
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MAKE YOUR MOVE.

Northeastern’s MSA/MBA program has a proven track record of helping liberal arts and non-accounting majors launch their careers in accounting. No prior knowledge of accounting or work experience is necessary, so you can get started on your MSA/MBA as soon as you have completed your undergraduate degree. You and your classmates will start the program together, take the same classes, and graduate at the same time. Your MSA/MBA cohort becomes a strong foundation for the professional network that you will build during the program and throughout your career.

GET THERE FASTER.

While most MBA programs take a minimum of two years to complete, Northeastern’s program makes it possible for you to earn two degrees in just 15 months. The program begins each year in June and ends in August of the following year. You’ll take classes at an accelerated pace, immersing yourself in accounting and business. From June through December, you will take core accounting classes to prepare for your three-month paid accounting residency. After your residency, you will take MBA and advanced accounting classes to round out your business knowledge and get ready for the CPA exam.

STAND OUT FROM THE COMPETITION.

With an MSA/MBA from Northeastern, you will have something that other new accounting hires may not have: real-world experience. You’ll gain hands-on exposure working in the field of accounting during the profession’s busiest season, January through March. You can also benefit from Northeastern’s proven track record. Historically, 99% of our MSA/MBA students have been offered full-time employment from the firms where they completed their residencies. And 100% of our students have been offered full-time positions at leading accounting firms upon graduation.

100%

100% OF MSA/MBA GRADUATES HAVE BEEN OFFERED **FULL-TIME POSITIONS** AT REGIONAL, NATIONAL, OR BIG FOUR ACCOUNTING FIRMS.

EXPERIENCEmore

There is no substitute for experience. Northeastern's MSA/MBA is the only program of its kind in the Boston area to offer three months of paid work experience as part of a 15-month dual degree. You'll take classes at an accelerated pace, immersing yourself in accounting and business. During your residency, you'll have the opportunity to work with accounting professionals in diverse industries, experience the accounting field first-hand, and build a strong network of professional contacts to rely on throughout your career. The experience you gain helps set you apart from the competition as someone who is highly qualified and ready to hit the ground running.



WORK IN ACCOUNTING.

Here is a sample of the leading accounting firms that hire MSA/MBA students.

REGIONAL	NATIONAL	BIG FOUR
AAF & Co., P.C. DiCicco, Gulman & Co., LLP Tofias PC Vitale, Caturano & Co. Wolf & Company, P.C.	BDO Seidman, LLP Grant Thornton, LLP Pannell Kerr Forster P.C. RSM McGladrey, Inc. UHY Advisors	Deloitte & Touche USA LLP Ernst & Young KPMG PricewaterhouseCoopers



“THE MSA/MBA PROGRAM HAS GIVEN me the best of both worlds — in-depth knowledge of accounting and professional experience. During my residency, I always felt like a real member of the team. I built a network of contacts and gained hands-on experience in accounting that will help me in my career.”

Nisha Nair
Audit Assistant
Deloitte & Touche USA LLP
MSA/MBA '07



TEST-DRIVE YOUR CAREER.

With Northeastern’s MSA/MBA program, you’ll see first-hand what it’s like to work at a regional, national, or Big Four accounting firm. You can gain the hands-on experience you need to move from a liberal arts, non-accounting background to a career in accounting. In one of your first classes, you’ll work on an intensive team project where you will research an accounting firm, interview senior management, and deliver a presentation on the firm’s corporate culture. This gives you an inside look at how accounting firms operate.

PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE TO WORK.

Your residency lets you put your knowledge of accounting to the test, applying what you’ve learned in the classroom to real-world projects. You won’t be sitting on the sidelines. You can jump in and make an impact as a valued member of the firm, working in areas such as auditing or tax, during the peak accounting season. Working at a leading accounting firm, you’ll have the opportunity to build essential accounting skills and see how professional teams function.

BUILD YOUR NETWORK.

As an MSA/MBA student, you’ll begin to build a strong network that includes your fellow classmates, accomplished faculty, mentors, and MSA/MBA alumni. You can learn among a tightly-knit group of your peers and form connections that last well beyond graduation. During your residency, you will be paired with a mentor at the firm (often a graduate of Northeastern’s program) who will guide you through your experience and help introduce you to the world of accounting. You’ll also learn from the experiences of MSA/MBA alumni who frequently participate as guest speakers in classes, organize firm visits, and attend MSA/MBA networking events.

99%

99% OF ALL MSA/MBA GRADUATES HAVE RECEIVED OFFERS OF EMPLOYMENT FROM THE FIRMS WHERE THEY COMPLETED THEIR RESIDENCIES.

ACHIEVEmore

Your MSA/MBA from Northeastern delivers results. In just 15 months, you will graduate with two degrees, hands-on experience in the field of accounting, and the knowledge and skills necessary to take the CPA exam. You'll be prepared to start a new full-time job at a regional, national, or Big Four accounting firm and make an impact right away. What you learn in your MSA/MBA program will help you to succeed in accounting or business. Having your MBA in addition to your MS in Accounting degree can set you apart from the competition and expand your long-term options as you continue to advance your career.



LAUNCH YOUR CAREER.

Here are a few examples of where MSA/MBA students started and where they are today.

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

Economics, Boston College
Administrative Science, Colby College
English, Boston University
Policy Studies, Syracuse University
Psychology, University of New Hampshire

CURRENT POSITION

Senior Associate, BDO Seidman, LLP
Partner, Deloitte & Touche USA LLP
Partner, RSM McGladrey, Inc.
Supervisor, Tofias PC
Associate, Vitale, Caturano & Co.



“WHEN I STARTED FULL-TIME AT the firm where I completed my residency, I was very well prepared to jump right into auditing, gaining my first promotion to senior associate after only 13 months. That’s a true testament to the experience I had at Northeastern.”

Sean Kay
Senior Manager
PricewaterhouseCoopers
MSA/MBA '08



START STRONG.

When you graduate with your MSA/MBA, you are immediately eligible to take the CPA exam in Massachusetts, with no waiting period. The MSA/MBA program gives you in-depth knowledge of accounting that prepares you to take the CPA exam and earn a credential that is highly valued by top accounting firms. Having completed your residency, you can also walk into your first full-time accounting job with hands-on experience and a network of professional contacts.

ACCELERATE YOUR CAREER.

Northeastern’s MSA/MBA program helps put you on an accelerated track for a successful career in accounting. Our graduate accounting program has been in operation for more than 40 years. We have built strong relationships with regional, national, and Big Four accounting firms that have a history of hiring our graduates, recognizing the quality of their education and the value of their hands-on experience. As an MSA/MBA graduate, you’ll have access to a network of more than 2,000 accounting program alumni who work in top accounting firms and corporations around the world.

OPEN NEW DOORS.

When you graduate, you’ll have what it takes to succeed in accounting, and you’ll also have what it takes to succeed in business. Your MBA gives you functional skills in finance, marketing, organizational behavior, and strategic decision-making. With an MSA/MBA from Northeastern, you have many long-term career options. You may want to move into a senior management role in a public accounting firm. You may want to work in an accounting or finance role within a private company. You may even want to branch out as an entrepreneur and start your own company. Having your MSA/MBA helps open new doors when you graduate and well into the future.

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EARN TWO DEGREES, GAIN HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE, AND START YOUR ACCOUNTING CAREER IN JUST 15 MONTHS.