

Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	Course Title		MAcc Accounting and Finance
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code	UM0023 N40F
3	Awarding Institution		
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)		
5	Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)		Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Association of International Accountants (AIA) Institute of Financial Accountants (IFA) Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)

6	Course Description
	<p>Looking to study an integrated masters accounting course in Birmingham? This MAcc Accounting and Finance integrated master's degree course is designed to be aligned with the ACCA, CIMA, ICAEW and CIPFA and other professional bodies to allow for maximum exemptions.</p> <p>Designed to equip you with the intellectual and technical building blocks needed for a successful career, the course will stimulate your development and offer opportunities to develop the skills towards becoming a high-achieving business professional.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>As you progress, you will be given the opportunity to become more effective and creative when it comes to solving problems, as well as analysing scenarios with a view to being able to advise individuals and companies in the UK and abroad.</p> <p>During the second and later years of the course, there will be more flexible learning opportunities that will enable you to specialise in particular subject areas, as well as allowing you to tailor your course to a specific career aim or professional body. There will also be opportunities to experience different graduate roles, with a wide variety of placements and internships on offer to complement your studies.</p>

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Integrated Master of Accountancy Accounting and Finance	7	480
	Integrated Master of Accountancy Accounting and Finance with Professional Placement Year	7	600
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Certificate of Higher Education Accounting and Finance	4	120
	Diploma of Higher Education Accounting and Finance	5	240
	Bachelor of Science Accounting and Finance	6	300
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Accounting and Finance	6	360

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Not applicable

9	Delivery Patterns		
Mode(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study	Code
Full Time	City Centre	4 years	UM0023
Full Time with Professional Placement Year	City Centre (and placement provider)	5 years	UM0023S

10	Entry Requirements
	The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at https://www.bcu.ac.uk/ , or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website .

11	Course Learning Outcomes
1	Demonstrate knowledge of the contexts in which accounting operates, a systematic understanding of organisations, their external context and how they are managed and an ability to apply relevant knowledge to complex issues.
2	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of, and an ability to use current technical language and alternative technical language to describe practices of accounting and an ability to apply them in structured and unstructured situations.
3	Record and summarise transactions and other economic events, prepare financial statements complying with relevant regulatory requirements and demonstrate critical awareness of such techniques.
4	Analyse the operations of a business and perform financial analyses and projections; and demonstrate awareness of the contexts in which accounting data and information is processed and provided within a variety of organisational environments, and the relationships with other systems providing information in organisations.
5	Demonstrate knowledge, understanding and a critical appreciation of theories and empirical evidence concerning the effects of accounting.
6	Demonstrate awareness of issues of financial management, risk and the operation of capital markets and make appropriate recommendations.
7	Critical evaluation of arguments and evidence.
8	Independent and self-managed learning.
9	Analysis, filtering and evaluation of data and drawing reasoned conclusions concerning structured and, to a more limited extent, unstructured problems from a given set of data and from data acquired.
10	Location, extraction and analysis of data from multiple sources, including acknowledging and referencing sources.
11	Numeracy, including the processing and analysis of financial and other numerical data and the appreciation of statistical concepts at an appropriate level.

12	Using contemporary information and communications technology for the acquisition, analysis and communication of information.
13	Communication, including presenting quantitative and qualitative information, together with analysis, argument and commentary, in a form appropriate to the intended audience, and oral as well as written presentation.
14	Working with others (such as through small group projects).

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Level 6:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 120 credits from the following indicative list of OPTIONAL modules:

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
ACC6023	Advanced Financial Reporting	20
ACC6020	Strategic Management Accounting	
ACC6027	Taxation	20
ACC6021	Not For Profit Accounting and Reporting	20
FIN6031	Banking, Financial Markets and Institutions	20
ACC6024	Audit and Assurance	20
FIN6024	Financial Management	20
FIN6025	Islamic Accounting and Finance	20
ACC6019	UK and Global Accounting Issues	20
ACC6022	Project Management	20

Level 7:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 40 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
ACC7022	Advanced Strategic Case Study	40

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 80 credits from the following indicative list of OPTIONAL modules:

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
ACC7023	Strategic Management	20
ACC7024	Audit Theory and Practice	20
ACC7025	Performance Management and Evaluation	20
ACC7035	International Tax Planning	20
FIN7015	Financial Strategy	20
ACC7026	Public Sector Financial Management	20
FIN7021	Strategic Risk Management	20
ACC7027	Advanced Corporate Reporting	20

12b Structure Diagram

Please note list of optional modules is indicative only. Students' choice will not be guaranteed for optional modules but a fair and transparent process will be adopted and shared with students.

Full Time Course Structure

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core ACC4027 Introduction to Financial Accounting BUS4061 Business Foundations QME4011 Principles of Economics	Core ACC4028 Applied Accounting ACC4029 Introduction to Management Accounting ACC4030 Financial Information Systems

Level 5

Core ACC5032 Financial Reporting ACC5027 Decision Making for Business and Finance	Core ACC5035 Principles of Taxation ACC5031 Ethics, Corporate Governance & Law
Optional ACC5028 Business Operations QME5015 Microeconomics ACC5029 Study Abroad	Optional ACC5030 Strategic Development FIN5016 Financial Modelling QME5017 Econometrics ACC5029 Study Abroad

Level 6

Optional ACC6023 Advanced Financial Reporting ACC6020 Strategic Management Accounting ACC6027 Taxation ACC6021 Not for Profit Accounting & Reporting FIN6032 Banking Financial Markets & Institutions	Optional ACC6024 Audit & Assurance FIN6024 Financial Management FIN6025 Islamic Accounting & Finance ACC6019 UK & Global Accounting Issues ACC6022 Project Management
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Level 7

Core ACC7022 Advanced Strategic Case Study	
Optional ACC7024 Audit Theory & Practice ACC7025 Performance Management & Evaluation ACC7035 International Tax Planning	Optional FIN7015 Financial Strategy ACC7026 Public Sector Financial Management FIN7021 Strategic Risk Management ACC7027 Advanced Corporate Reporting ACC7023 Strategic Management

Full Time with Professional Placement Year Course Structure

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core ACC4027 Introduction to Financial Accounting BUS4061 Business Foundations QME4011 Principles of Economics	Core ACC4028 Applied Accounting ACC4029 Introduction to Management Accounting ACC4030 Financial Information Systems

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13 Overall Student Workload and Balance of Assessment

Overall student *workload* consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, with each credit taken equating to a total study time of around 10 hours. While actual contact hours may depend on the optional modules selected, the following information gives an indication of how much time students will need to allocate to different activities at each level of the course.

- *Scheduled Learning* includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, contact time specified in timetable
- *Directed Learning* includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning
- *Private Study* includes preparation for exams

The *balance of assessment* by mode of assessment (e.g. coursework, exam and in-person) depends to some extent on the optional modules chosen by students. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework, exam and in-person is shown below.

Level 4 Workload

30% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	360
Directed Learning	720
Private Study	120
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	38%
Exam	52%
In-Person	10%

Level 5

Workload

30% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	360
Directed Learning	720
Private Study	120
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	10%
Exam	75%
In-Person	15%

Level 6

Workload

30% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	360
Directed Learning	720
Private Study	120
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	23%
Exam	75%
In-Person	2%

Level 7

Workload

30% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	360
Directed Learning	720
Private Study	120
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	42.5%
Exam	52%
In-Person	5.5%