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### Part A.
**Advanced preparatory**
(24 credit points)
- Accounting information systems
  - Management accounting
  - Advanced financial accounting
  - Auditing and assurance

### Part B.
**Mastery knowledge**
(48 credit points)
- Seven units (42 points):
  - Management control systems
  - Strategic management accounting
  - Forensic accounting and fraud examination
  - Financial statement analysis and business valuation
  - Financial reporting issues
  - Business analytics
  - Integrated systems for business enterprises

### Part C.
**Application studies**
(24 credit points)
- A capstone experience unit (6 points) from any one of the following:
  - Applied contemporary accounting
  - International study program in accounting
  - Industry placement (6 or 12 points)*

Students must complete four elective units or you can undertake a research pathway. **

* If you complete this 12-point unit as your capstone experience you will only need to complete 18 points for Part C.
** Students wishing to undertake the research pathway in the Master of Accounting must satisfy the eligibility criteria, academic pre-requisites, application and selection process.
Where could it lead?

Your degree will prepare you for a range of senior or leadership roles in different industries across the private or government sectors. If you complete the research pathway and satisfy the academic prerequisites, you will also be a step closer to applying for the PhD program.

Accreditation and professional recognition

The Monash-CIMA collaboration provides a fast track route to acquire both a Master of Accounting and the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) professional qualification at the same time. To do this, you just need to choose the two CIMA pathway units as your electives in Part C (two other CIMA pathway units are already required units in Part B).

By doing this, you may be eligible for exemptions from all CIMA papers, except the Strategic Case Study. After passing the Strategic Case Study exam, you will only need to submit three years’ practical experience in accounting to apply for CIMA membership, and gain both the ACMA and CGMA designations.

Why choose Monash Business School?

A degree from Monash Business School comes with global recognition, to help you launch a successful career wherever you land. We hold the prestigious ‘triple accreditation’ with the world’s three major business school accreditation bodies – putting us in the top 1% of business schools worldwide.

But that’s not the only reason our graduates stand out. In an industry characterised by disruption, we’ll challenge you to broaden your outlook, think more creatively and put innovative ideas to the test.

Entry requirements

An Australian bachelor degree (or equivalent) with a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 65 or an equivalent GPA as determined by the School. You’ll be ranked and selected based on your entire academic record.

You’ll need to prepare a candidate statement to show the motivation and academic skills required to complete the program.

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1. Even if you are eligible for a shorter course duration you may elect to complete the longer duration.
2. With a WAM of 65.
3. Professional accounting programs include: Chartered Accountants Program of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ); CPA Program of CPA Australia; IPA Program of the Institute of Public Accountants (IPA); Professional Level of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).
4. Professional accounting programs include: Practical Experience Program of CA ANZ; CPA Program including the Your Experience requirements; Mentored Experience Program (MEP) of the IPA; Professional ACCA Qualification including the Practical Experience Requirements (PER); Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) Professional qualification, which entitles use of the Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA) designation.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency at the required standard:

> IELTS (Academic): 6.5 overall, no band lower than 6.0, or equivalent approved English text; OR
> Tertiary study undertaken in an English medium institution; OR
> Other acceptable measures include a combination of approved qualifications and residence/work experience within in an English speaking country

Don’t meet the English language requirements? Apply for the Monash Bridging Program

monashcollege.edu.au/courses/english/monash-english-bridging

“I was recently appointed to a role at one of the Big 4 consulting firms and I think the Master of Accounting gave me a point of difference that other people didn’t have. The classes have plenty of interactive sessions, where everyone shares their knowledge, and everyone can learn from each other. One great thing about this course is that I now have so many options open to me, whether that means heading for a more senior role, or looking into being an academic.”

JESSICA CROSS

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