SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTANCY

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Overview

The School of Accountancy offers a Bachelor of Accountancy (B. Accy), a Master of Accountancy (M.Accy.), a Master of Taxation (M.Tax.), and a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in accountancy.

History/Mission/Purpose

The primary function of the school is to provide professional education required to prepare students for careers as professional accountants in financial institutions, government, industry, nonprofit organizations, and public practice. Emphasis is placed upon both theoretical principles and concepts and practical applications to fulfill the need for reliable financial information. Professional courses offered at both the undergraduate and graduate levels provide students with the accounting education required to commence and continue to develop in a wide range of professional accounting careers.

Accreditation

The Patterson School of Accountancy's undergraduate program has been accredited since 1944 by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). The school's master's program has received separate accounting accreditation since May 1983 by the AACSB. The University of Mississippi School of Accountancy was one of the first schools in the country to receive separate accounting accreditation at both bachelor's and master's degree levels. The school is also a full member of the Federation of Schools of Accountancy.

Other Information

Mississippi Public Accountancy Law - The public accountancy law authorizes the State Board of Public Accountancy to award certificates to certified public accountants upon qualification through passage of the CPA examination and appropriate professional experience. Candidates must have completed a minimum of 150 educational hours with a concentration in accounting to apply to sit for the examination.

The University of Mississippi is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award certificates and baccalaureate, master's, specialist, and doctoral degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, call 404-679-4500, or visit online at www.sacscoc.org for questions about the accreditation.