



**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
CAVE HILL CAMPUS**

THE FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

**DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES
GRADUATE AND SPECIAL PROJECTS SECTION**



M.Sc. ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

2020-2021

PROGRAMME SUMMARY:

The M.Sc. Accounting & Finance programme has been designed in collaboration with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and will prepare students for a successful career in finance and accounting in various business environments.

The MSc Accounting and Finance (ACCA Embedded Master's) Programme provides students with the opportunity to take their ACCA exams at the same time as their post-graduate degree and qualify with both an academic and a professional qualification. This programme embeds all of the ACCA Strategic Professional level papers thus enabling students to graduate with an academic (Master's level) and professional qualification, supporting students through to employment and ACCA membership.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREED APPLICANTS

Applicants under this category should have:

- i. A Bachelor's degree or equivalent from a university or college acceptable to the University of the West Indies, with at least second-class honours.
 - Students are expected to have a good grounding in a business subject such as management, marketing, finance, or economics.
 - Students with pass degrees will be considered on the following conditions:
 - they are currently working in a business, accounting or finance related field, and
 - they are successful at an interview conducted by the entrance committee within the Department.
- ii. Two letters of recommendation.
- iii. Successful completion of all 9 of ACCA Applied Knowledge & Applied Skills papers (or their equivalent) OR
- iv. Successful completion of all 9 of ACCA Applied Knowledge & Applied Skills papers (or their equivalent) Plus any ACCA EPSM, SBL or SBR OR
- v. Current ACCA membership in good standing, completed ACCA Applied Knowledge, Skills and Strategic Professional Essentials Plus two Strategic Options (or their equivalent as approved by ACCA). Students must then complete EPSM.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-DEGREED APPLICANTS

- i. Successful completion of all ACCA foundation courses.
- ii. Technical certificates or diplomas that can be assessed by the University of the West Indies.
- iii. Five years' experience in accounting, finance or a business-related field.
- iv. They are successful at an interview conducted by a select panel determined by the Campus Committee on Graduate Studies and the Department of Management Studies.
- v. Two letters of recommendation.

PROGRAMME COST

Programme costs of BDS \$30,000 (USD \$15 000) include books, a laptop and materials plus applicable University Registrations fees, which include:

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| Amenities Fees | BDS \$960.00 |
| Guild Fees | BDS \$120.00 |
| ID Card (first year only) | BDS\$30.00 |

COURSE OF STUDY

The M.Sc. Accounting and Finance programme (ACCA-Embedded) will consist of 39 credits, to be completed in a minimum of 18 months. The programme will be delivered in the following structure: nine (9) core courses (3 credits each), a final Research Project (6 credits), two (2) elective courses (3 credits each) and a compulsory not-for-credit workshop.

The course structure for the proposed M.Sc. Accounting and Finance programme is as follows:

Core Courses

Strategic Business Reporting
Strategic Business Leader
Advanced Financial Management
Advanced Performance Management
Advanced Audit and Assurance
Advanced Taxation
Research Project
Corporate Finance
Advanced Corporate Finance
Research Methods for Business and Social Sciences

Two (2) Electives from

International Tax
Financial Analysis and Modelling
Behavioural Finance
Entrepreneurial Finance
Financial Econometrics
Advanced Financial Engineering
International Finance

Workshop

Ethics and Professional Skills Workshop

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