

# MBA

Master of Business Administration  
(CPA Stream)



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# A strategic focus to your accounting career,

with the breadth of an MBA program and the depth of professional accounting education.

Success in business demands a multidisciplinary and integrative approach where strategic thinking, technical competencies, ethical practices and professional managerial skills are expanded and enhanced. The Sobey MBA (CPA Stream) combines the broad business skills of the MBA degree with the accounting expertise, professional skills and leadership mindset of the Canadian Chartered Professional Accountants (CPA) designation—a combination that adds up to professional success.

The Sobey MBA (CPA Stream) will provide you with a sought-after business degree and advanced standing in the CPA Professional Education Program (PEP). This part-time, 36-month degree program is structured for full-time working professionals. This degree is accredited by CPA Canada.

## Saint Mary's University: Tradition and Excellence

Founded in 1802, Saint Mary's University is one of the oldest degree-granting institutions in Canada. It is also one of Canada's most international universities, with over 118 countries represented throughout the student body. Saint Mary's offers Bachelor, Masters and PhD programs in Arts, Science and Business, along with graduate diplomas and certificate programs. The Sobey School of Business at Saint Mary's University was established in 1934. As Atlantic Canada's largest and most respected business school with 3,200 students, the Sobey School is among the few on the East Coast of Canada with the internationally recognized AACSB accreditation – only 5% of business schools worldwide achieve this prestigious designation.

**118 countries represented**  
on campus - the most international school in Canada

SMU  
**founded in 1802**

**Only CPA Accredited Program** in Atlantic Canada

**AACSB accredited:** a distinction achieved by only 5% of business schools

**Contributes \$329M** each year to NS Economy

Halifax named one of the **Top 10 Global DESTINATIONS ON THE RISE** in TripAdvisor's 2018 Travelers' Choice Awards

Committed to the Principles of **Responsible Management Education**

**Full member** of European Foundation for Management Development



## Program Sequence & Delivery

The Sobey MBA (CPA Stream) program is cohort based with students following a program of 14 courses. Courses will be delivered in an innovative, hybrid format with a minimum of 3 full-day, face-to-face classroom sessions every 4-5 weeks, combined with web-based materials.

## Courses

- ACCT 6626 Management Information Systems: Strategy & Practice
- ACCT 6641 Financial Reporting and Statement Analysis
- ACCT 6650 Integrative Managerial Accounting I
- ACCT 6652 Integrative Managerial Accounting II
- ACCT 6656 Integrative Financial Accounting
- ACCT 6660 Integrative Public Auditing
- ACCT 6666 Taxation and Financial Planning
- ACCT 6690 Seminar in Accounting
- FINA 6663 Financial Management
- MKTG 6679 Strategic Marketing
- MGSC 6615 Strategic Design and Improvement of Operations
- MGMT6682 Performance Management
- MGMT 6689 Strategic Management
- SMBA 6601 Integrative Management Exercise and successful completion of CPA Integrative Case (Capstone 1 of the CPA PEP)
- SMBA 6010 Professional Development (compulsory non-credit)

## Key Benefits

- Complete your degree part-time over 36 months, while maintaining your full-time career.
- Complete your MBA and obtain your relevant practical experience while preparing for the CPA Common Final Examination (CFE).
- Hybrid delivery—Face-to-face instruction with subject area experts combined with web-based instruction.
- Receive advanced standing in the CPA Professional Education Program (PEP). Complete the Sobey MBA (CPA Stream) program and go directly into the CPA Capstone 2 course and the CPA CFE.
- Gain access to the career development and educational resources of the Sobey School of Business and the Saint Mary's University community.

## Admission Requirements

- A four-year undergraduate degree from a recognized university with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 out of 4.3 is expected.
- Must have successfully completed the equivalent of the pre-requisite courses outlined by the Canadian CPA competency map, either with the CPA Atlantic School of Business or another post-secondary school. The minimum acceptable grade in these prerequisite courses is a C with an overall average of C+.\*
- Must be in good standing with the CPA Atlantic School of Business while in the program.
- For non-English language candidates, minimum TOEFL 100; IELTS 7.0.
- It is preferred that applicants have two years of business-related work experience.

\* Conditional acceptance is possible if final pre-requisite courses are in progress. The Sobey MBA (CPA Stream) does not require completion of the GMAT.

## Application Deadlines

June 30: Application deadline

Mid-August: Orientation Workshop

Mid-September: Classes start

Time to completion: 36 months (part-time)

## Estimated Program Fees

The amount below is the approximate cost to complete your degree, based on estimated 2019/2020 tuition, including completion of Capstone 1. Fees subject to change.

- Canadians and permanent residents: \$27,500

## APPLY NOW

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