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**EXISTING CERTIFICATE, DEGREE, MAJOR**

**OR ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Name Change Only FORM**

**(No change in program curriculum, option/emphasis/concentration or organizational structure)**

(Also requires Arkansas Department of Higher Education (ADHE) approval)

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1. **Proposed effective date:**

**08/15/2020**

1. **Justification:**

The new name reflects the importance that data analytics has in the technology-driven marketplace for accounting services. Data analytics has already been incorporated into the curriculum.

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|  | **Current Name** | **Proposed Name (if changed)** |
| **Degree/certificate program** | Master of Accountancy (MAcc),  Accounting | Master of Accountancy (MAcc),  Accounting with Data Analytics |
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1. **Provide the curriculum/credit hours for the certificate/degree/major listed above.**

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Heritage Studies

Molecular Biosciences

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Educational Leadership

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - Nurse Anesthesia

Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD)

Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

SPECIALIST DEGREES

Specialist in Education (Ed.S)

Educational Leadership

—Curriculum Director Track

—Gifted, Talented and Creative Director Track

—Principalship Track

—Special Education Director Track

—Superintendency Track

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—Flexible Options Track

—Mental Health Counseling Track

—School Psychology Track

Reading

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**Neil Griffin College of Business**

MISSION STATEMENT

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education to traditional and non-traditional students in the Mid-South and to provide support for businesses and communities through research, economic development activities, and consultative services.

The College strives to build challenging programs of excellence with emphasis on leadership/

values, international business, technology, entrepreneurship, and economic development through an

educational process that fosters analytical thinking, problem solving, communication skills, and experiential learning. Emphasis is placed on undergraduate education, while meeting the needs of the business community through select graduate degrees and professional workforce development programs.

The College is committed to enhancing professional development of faculty and staff through

support of applied research, instructional development, and professional growth activities in a collegial

environment. Professional development is also provided to students through student organizations,

honor societies, and action-based learning.

The Mission is strengthened through ongoing review and continuous improvement of all programs

and activities.

DEGREES OFFERED

The Neil Griffin College of Business offers work leading to the Master of Business Administration

degree, and the **Master of Accountancy** degree.

All general Graduate Admissions requirements listed elsewhere in the bulletin are applicable to

these degree programs in addition to the specific program requirements.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

An applicant’s complete application package, including application to Graduate Programs, official transcripts, official GMAT/GRE scores, required application fee and, when required, proof of immunization must be received in the Office of Graduate Admissions no later than 30 days prior to the

beginning of classes each semester. To ensure time for issuance of an I-20, international students must

submit a complete application, including all the above plus official TOEFL scores and a financial guarantee no later than 90 days prior to the beginning of classes each semester.

Non-degree candidates cannot enroll in Neil Griffin College of Business graduate courses unless

they meet all of the admission requirements of degree candidates. Students admitted into graduate

programs outside of the Neil Griffin College of Business will not be permitted to enroll in non-foundation

graduate courses within the Neil Griffin College of Business unless they either meet the minimum GPA

requirement required for admission into the program OR have maintained an overall graduate GPA of

3.00 or higher since admission at Arkansas State.

BUSINESS COMMUNICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

All incoming graduate students are required to take Business Communication (BCOM 2563) if

English is his or her second language. Students may test out of the course at the beginning of the first

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of accounting issues needed for success on licensure and certification examinations, and serve as

foundation work for those who may choose to pursue advanced graduate work.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Those admitted to the program must possess an undergraduate degree, meet the same GPA

and Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE) formula

as required in the current MBA program, plus have a C or better in the following key undergraduate

accounting courses:

• Intermediate Accounting I (or equivalent content)

• Intermediate Accounting II (or equivalent content)

• Cost or Managerial Accounting at junior level or above

• Tax I

• Auditing

• Accounting Information Systems

• Government and Not-for-Profit Accounting

The accounting prerequisite courses must have been completed at a US College or University

accredited by one of the regional accrediting organizations recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. For example, the Higher Learning Commission (HLC).

Those admitted to the program do not need to meet the general business, or foundation, prerequisites that apply to MBA students.

ELECTIVE COURSES

Six hours of electives may be selected in business or accounting. Students may take up to a total

of four hours at the 5000 level; otherwise elective courses must be taken at the 6000 level.

Under special circumstances, a student may substitute a directed individual study for an elective. All directed individual studies must be taken after a student has completed 24 hours of coursework

with a GPA of 3.5 or higher. Directed individual studies should be targeted toward a publication and/or

paper/presentation as an outlet for the research. Students are also expected to make a presentation on

their research to a group of Graduate Faculty.

ACCELERATED **MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY**

The **Accelerated Master of Accountancy** degree option allows outstanding Arkansas State University undergraduate accounting majors to begin taking **Master of Accountancy** courses during their

junior year. Eligible students are allowed to apply up to 12 hours of graduate credits toward both the

undergraduate and graduate degree requirements. Only courses with a B or better will be eligible to

count for graduate credit. After completing the B.S. degree, this dual counting enables a student to

earn **Master of Accountancy** degree with only six additional courses (18 credits).

Eligible students receive undergraduate and graduate credit for the following courses:

ACCT 5023 – Advanced Accounting and International Issues

ACCT 5113 – Tax Accounting II

ACCT 5133 – Accounting Statistics

ACCT 5183 – Accounting Analytics

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Program of Study for the **Master of Accountancy in Accounting with Data Analytics** Degree

The **Master of Accountancy in Accounting with Data Analytics** Program will provide those with undergraduate training in accounting with knowledge and skills needed to advance beyond the entry-level stage in the accounting profession, provide students who have undergraduate training in accounting with the in-depth understanding

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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ACCELERATED **MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY IN ACCOUNTING WITH DATA ANALYTICS**

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ACCT 5183 – Accounting Analytics

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**Master of Accountancy**

University Requirements:

See Graduate Degree Policies for additional information (p. 38)

Program Requirements: Sem. Hrs.

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ACCT 5113, Tax Accounting II 3

ACCT 5133, Accounting Statistics 3

ACCT 5183, Accounting Analytics 3

ACCT 6063, Contemporary Auditing Issues 3

ACCT 6073, Applied Professional Research 3

MIS6473, Data Mining 3

MIS 6543, Business Analytics 3

Sub-total 24

Electives:

Students who received credit at the undergraduate level for ACCT 4023, ACCT 4113, ACCT 4133,

or ACCT 4183, or a course with equivalent content, may not receive graduate credit for the same

course. Instead, those students must take additional accounting electives at the 5000-level (subject

to the four course maximum) or 6000-level.

Sem. Hrs.

6000-level Business or Accounting elective 6

Sub-total 6

Total Required Hours: 30

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