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In 2009 New York became the 47th state in the U.S. to require 150 credit hours to be eligible for licensure as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in New York State. The Marist College School of Management is pleased to offer a “registered program” with the New York Office of Professions which meets the 150-credit-hour educational requirements for a candidate to be eligible for licensure as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in New York State. Individuals successfully completing the 30-hour program will earn a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree.

The MBA for Accountants program builds upon the accounting foundation that students acquired in their undergraduate degree program by providing a high-quality, broad-based business management education. This program emphasizes the application of theory to management practice and the use of technology to enhance student learning.

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT MISSION
We develop people of integrity with the managerial expertise, vision, pragmatism and ethical sensibility to succeed professionally and personally on their own and with others. We prepare leaders to face the challenges of a dynamic and diverse world grounded in our ideals of excellence in education, the importance of community, and commitment to service.

Excellence in Education:
We challenge and develop students by creating a nurturing integrative experiential education within a strong liberal arts tradition.

Importance of Community:
We collaborate as a community of faculty, staff, students, alumni and other stakeholders to expand and continuously improve knowledge of the practice, study, and teaching of management through program innovation, research, and professional activities.

The Commitment to Service:
We use our knowledge and experience with our stakeholders to improve the operation of public and private organizations and the quality of life for individuals and communities in both the region and the world.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES
The educational objectives of the MBA Program are to:

• provide a dynamic business curriculum that cultivates professional skills and values while focusing on real-world applications and employing current and emerging technologies, and
• advance students’ managerial knowledge, elevate their communication, analytical, technological, and decision-making skills, and stimulate their appreciation of the social and ethical implications of working in a diverse, global business environment.

AACSB INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION
In 2002, the Marist College MBA program was granted accreditation by one of higher education’s most prestigious and rigorous international accrediting bodies, The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business-International (AACSB). Accreditation by AACSB-International is the highest distinction offered to business schools both nationally and internationally and confirms Marist’s commitment to the highest standards of excellence in its business curriculum, faculty, and student resources. Only 30 percent of business and management programs nationwide are accredited at both the bachelor’s and master’s degree level, achieving a standard widely accepted and adopted by the educational and business communities.

CURRICULUM
The MBA for Accountants program consists of 10 classes (30 credit hours). They are:

- MBA 610 Global Environment of Business
- MBA 614 Accounting Research and Communications
- MBA 621 Strategic Marketing Planning
- MBA 635 Business Analysis for Effective Decision Making
- MBA 654 Managing Organizational Change
- MBA 661 Operational Excellence
- MBA 671 Corporate Financial Theory & Practice
- MBA 688 Ethical Management of Organizations
- MBA 699 Current Issues in Professional Accounting
- MBA 801 Strategic Management

MBA for Accountants students complete their studies in two “capstone” courses. MBA 699, Current Issues in Professional Accounting, examines contemporary and controversial issues which emphasize the professional and social responsibilities of the accountant, and prepares students for a career in professional accounting. MBA 801, Strategic Management, integrates the various functions of an organization into a strategic, total management perspective. This integration better prepares students to meet the demands of an increasingly complex, competitive and rapidly changing business environment.

FORMAT
The MBA for Accountants program has been carefully crafted to mesh with students’ undergraduate experience, internship opportunities, and accounting firm expectations. Students join a cohort and take their classes together for the duration of the program. They begin with one course in the summer followed by four in the fall, one during winter session, and four in the spring. The summer course is taught in a hybrid format.
– partially face-to-face in a traditional classroom setting, and partially online. The fall and spring courses are taught face-to-face during a 15-week semester. The winter session course is an intense 4-week course taught in a face-to-face format. Students who successfully complete all requirements of the program are eligible to graduate with the MBA degree in May, one year after completing the bachelor’s degree.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS
The MBA for Accountants program looks at an applicant’s academic accounting and business background, interests, aptitude, and capacity to perform graduate work. In determining admittance to the program, the MBA for Accountants program admissions committee checks to make sure the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree. In addition, they look to see that the student has earned a grade of “B” or better in the requisite accounting courses at the undergraduate level including: Financial Accounting, Managerial Accounting, Intermediate Accounting I and II, Cost Accounting, Advanced Accounting, Auditing, Tax, and Advanced Auditing. Further, applicants must have completed the following Foundation courses as part of their undergraduate degree program: Macro and Micro Economics, Marketing, Statistics, Business Management, and Financial Management, with grades of “B” or better. Next, the MBA for Accountants program admissions committee takes into account an applicant’s achievement on either the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) General Test. At minimum, applicants must earn a score of 450 on the GMAT (and a comparable score on the GRE) to qualify for the MBA for Accountants program. Finally, the admissions committee considers the applicant’s resume and letters of recommendation if applicable.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Applicants must submit all of the material listed below:

• A completed Marist Graduate Admissions Application
• A $50.00 non-refundable application fee made payable to Marist College
• Official transcripts from all undergraduate institutions attended
• A current résumé
• An official score report of the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or the Graduate Record Exam General Test (GRE) taken within five years of application. Specify on the GMAT application that the GMAT score should be sent to Marist College. Marist’s report code is K9K-FZ-91. For the GRE General Test, specify on the GRE application that the GRE General Test score should be sent to Marist College. Marist’s report code is 2400.
• Completed recommendation forms from two references, preferably at least one from a former professor
• Proof of MMR immunity (if born on or after January 1, 1957) – upon enrollment in the program.
The GMAT is administered as a computer-adaptive test and is offered almost anytime throughout the year at over 400 computer-based testing sites. Applicants are strongly encouraged to utilize commonly available study guides to prepare for taking the exam. Failure to engage in adequate preparation may result in scores unacceptable for admission to the program. To obtain additional information regarding the GMAT exam including registration for upcoming test dates, please visit www.GMAT.org.

The GRE® revised General Test is available at about 700 test centers in more than 160 countries. It is offered as a computer-based test year round at most locations around the world and as a paper-based test up to three times a year in areas where computer-based testing is not available. To obtain additional information regarding the GRE exam, including registration for upcoming test dates, please visit www.ets.org/gre.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS
International students must have their transcripts evaluated (and translated, if necessary) for program equivalency by a recognized credential evaluation service prior to application. A course-by-course evaluation and grade equivalency are needed. Students wishing to pursue the program assume responsibility for remaining in compliance with immigration regulations. Please visit www.marist.edu/graduate for complete international admissions criteria.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES
Registration and payment is done online.

MBA PROGRAM ACADEMIC POLICIES
To remain in good standing in the MBA for Accountants program, students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 throughout the program and to graduate. The Graduate Program Director will review the academic status of any student whose GPA falls below 3.0 to determine whether that person can continue in the program. Any student who earns a grade of F for any course will be dismissed from the program. (Please refer to the Student Handbook for additional policies and procedures not covered in this section.)
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