



Postgraduate Programmes in Accounting & Finance

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Accounting

Gain advanced knowledge in performance measurement and decision-making. Select from a range of financial and management accounting courses and study research methodology techniques while developing your skills in critical interpretation in preparation for a short dissertation. Prepare for more specialised roles in a chartered accountancy practice, industry or the public sector, or a business consultant or financial manager role in a manufacturing, service or consultancy organisation. An academic career is also an option for those who pursue further study and research.

Finance

Learn about the capital markets and the financing decisions facing organisations. Build your understanding of concepts such as good corporate governance, investments, valuation theory, asset pricing, market micro-structure, capital structure and dividend policy, risk-hedging and liquidity management. Studying finance at postgraduate level can lead you to more senior or specialised career roles such as academic, chief financial officer, corporate advisor or valuer, multinational funds manager, or portfolio manager.

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Bachelor of Commerce (Honours)

- 120 points programme
- 2 semesters

Master of Commerce (Taught)

- 180 points programme
- 3 semesters

Master of Commerce (Research)

120 points programme

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (Honours)

- A one-year postgraduate qualification designed for high-achieving Bachelor of Commerce graduates
- Students gain sophisticated analytical skills to better equip them for their business career
- Global organisations, local businesses and leading universities recognise the relevance of our honours programme, making our graduates highly sought-after
- Pathway to 120-points Research Masters and Doctoral programme

Accounting majors

- **15 points:** Research Methods in Accounting (ACCTG 701)
- **15 points:** Governance Issues in Accounting (ACCTG 702)
- **30 points:** Dissertation (ACCTG 788)
- At least **30 points** from:
 - Financial Accounting Research (ACCTG 711)
 - Contemporary Auditing Research (ACCTG 714)
 - Research in Management Control (ACCTG 721)
 - Research in Revenue & Cost Management (ACCTG 722)
 - Accounting Information and Capital (ACCTG 771)
 - Special Topic on Sustainability (ACCTG 780)
 - Special Topic on Productivity (ACCTG 782)
- May do up to **30 points** from FINANCE 705-782

Finance majors

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- **15 points:** Governance Issues in Finance (FINANCE 702)
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- At least **30 points** from:
 - Empirical Finance (FINANCE 705)
 - Modern Corporate Finance (FINANCE 751)
 - Portfolio Theory and Investment Analysis (FINANCE 761)
 - Risk Management (FINANCE 762)
 - Special Topic on Machine Learning in Finance (FINANCE 781)
- May do up to **30 points** from ACCTG 711-782

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- ★ Bachelor of Commerce or equivalent with Accounting or Finance major with a grade point equivalent of at least 7.0 in 45 points in Stage III courses required for the chosen major.
- ★ Maths/ Stats 208 or equivalent course approved by the Head of Department
- ★ For international students, the minimum English requirement is an overall IELTS academic score of 6.5 with no band less than 6.0, or an approved equivalent

MASTER OF COMMERCE

- A **12-15 months** programme designed to prepare students for specialist positions in the public and private sector

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Accounting majors

- **15 points:** Research Methods in Accounting (ACCTG 701)
- **15 points:** Governance Issues in Accounting (ACCTG 702)
- **60 points:** Dissertation (ACCTG 791)
- At least **60 points** from:
 - Financial Accounting Research (ACCTG 711)
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FEATURES OF A&F POSTGRAD PROGRAMMES

- Small class sizes
- Seminar based
- Stimulating research projects
- Good recognition of the programmes in the workplace
- Opportunity to create a network

Important dates

Application closing date	8 December 2018 (Semester One) 4 July 2019 (Semester Two)
Start date	4 March 2019 (Semester One) 22 July 2019 (Semester Two)

Guaranteed Postgraduate Scholarships (value: \$13,130 tax free + compulsory fees)

The University offers guaranteed scholarships to high-achieving domestic research students who meet grade point average (GPA) thresholds of **8.0 (‘A’ grade)** from their qualifying programme. All you need to do is apply for admission and the University will automatically consider your eligibility for a scholarship.

- University of Auckland Postgraduate Honours/ PG Diploma Scholarships
- University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarships
- University of Auckland Pacific Postgraduate Scholarships
- University of Auckland Research Masters Scholarships

Postgraduate Research Grants

Postgraduate research grants (up to \$1500) are available to assist honours students with the research component of their programmes.

These grants typically fund research costs involved in data collection and travel associated with research.

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