



DISCLOSURE REGARDING PROGRAM PREPARATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION

COLLEGE**B.I. Moody III College of Business Administration****PROGRAM****Master of Science in Accounting**

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette is committed to providing clear and accurate information to current and prospective students to help inform career planning. The UL Lafayette program identified above prepares students to practice in a field with professional licensure or certification available. However, specific licensure and certification requirements can and often do vary by state. Requirements typically include earning a degree or other educational credential in the field from an institution and program that meet certain eligibility requirements in that state (e.g., curricular requirements, accredited status, approval by the state licensing board); passing a state or national exam; working in the field for a minimum period of time; and/or completing a certain number of clinical hours. If your career plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements of the state in which you hope to practice.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation in the State of Louisiana

The Master's in Accounting program is designed to enhance the student's knowledge and preparation for the CPA exam. Additional undergraduate accounting and business courses may be required to be accepted in the program if holding a non-accounting degree.

Requirements to become a licensed CPA in Louisiana as set by the State Board of Certified Public Accountants of Louisiana for **Certified Public Accountant** include:

- Education
- Passage of the Uniform CPA Exam
- Professional Experience

The Louisiana Accountancy Act was changed effective August 1, 2026 to create three flexible, alternative educational and experience pathways to become a CPA in Louisiana. **Passing the CPA exam is required for all three pathways.**

- **Pathway 1:** Obtaining 150 hours of college education including baccalaureate degree with concentrations in accounting and business courses plus one year of professional experience.
- **Pathway 2:** Obtaining a higher degree beyond the baccalaureate degree (i.e., master's degree) with an accounting focus plus one year of professional experience.
- **Pathway 3:** Obtaining a baccalaureate degree with concentrations in accounting and business courses plus 2 years of professional experience.

We advise you to review the State Board of Certified Public Accountants at Louisiana CPA Exam requirements at <http://cpaboard.state.la.us/>.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation in Other U.S. States

As a member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), UL Lafayette is authorized to offer educational programs in all states (except California), the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The state of California is not currently a member of NC-SARA, but UL Lafayette is authorized to offer educational programming there as well.

We are currently unable to determine whether or not the above-named program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification in any additional states.

If you have an interest in pursuing licensure or certification outside the state of Louisiana, we advise you to determine whether or not this program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply in that location. You are welcome to reach out to the UL Lafayette program contact identified below with questions in this regard, and we will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

UL Lafayette Program Preparation Outside the United States

This disclosure does not address program eligibility in countries outside the United States. We are unable to determine whether or not the above-named degree program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification outside the United States. Again, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements in the location in which you hope to practice.

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