

NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
DEGREE PLAN
Master of Science in Accounting and Financial Analysis (MAFA)

Name: _____ SSN _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Advisor: _____

Advisory Committee Members:

Has the student been admitted to MAFA Program? _____

Steps for completing degree:

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Take GMAT 2. Obtain admission to Graduate College 3. Obtain admission to the MAFA program. 4. Meet condition for candidacy and notify program advisor 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Apply for final degree check in the semester before final semester 6. Apply for graduation & pay graduation fee. 7. Complete all MAFA coursework with a minimum "B" average. 8. Complete the capstone experience.
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MAFA Coursework Requirements

The Master of Science in Accounting & Financial Analysis requires a minimum of 30 semester hours as specified below:

Required MAFA Courses (15 hours):

- ACFN 5003 Accounting & Financial Analysis Seminar I
- ACFN 5143 Quantitative Methods in Accounting & Financial Analysis
- ACFN 5223 Global Accounting & Financial Analysis
- ACFN 5333 Finance Seminar
- ACFN 5363 Accounting & Financial Analysis Seminar II

MAFA Electives (12 to 15 hours):

- ACFN 5103 Accounting Theory Seminar
- ACFN 5133 Computer Modeling in Acct & Financial Analysis
- ACFN 5163 Controllershship & Cost Accounting
- ACFN 5173 Advanced Cost Accounting & Decision Theory
- ACFN 5193 Taxation & Business Strategy
- ACFN 5263 Financial Statement Analysis
- ACFN 5303 Derivative Securities: Analysis & Accounting
- ACFN 5313 Fixed Income Analysis
- ACFN 5233 Accounting Information Systems
- ACFN 5243 Auditing & Attestation
- ACFN 5293 Investment Analysis & Portfolio Theory
- ACFN 5610 Special Topics in Acct & Fin Analysis

Approved Graduate Business Electives (0-3 hours):

- MBA 5333 Marketing Strategy
- MBA 5343 Managerial Economics
- MBA 5523 Business Law

MAFA Capstone Experience

The MAFA program requires a learning experience beyond the specified minimum thirty hours of regular coursework. The capstone experience must be completed after admission to candidacy and can be satisfied by one of the following options:

1. Make an acceptable score on a professional examination to qualify as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) through an official state board of accountancy, Certified Management Account (CMA) through the Institute of Management Accountants, or CFA Charterholder through CFA Institute.
2. Obtain approvals from the MAFA Program Director, Advisory Committee, and Dean of the Graduate College of a business plan, research paper, thesis, additional coursework or other synergistic experience.

If the capstone experience is not complete by the end of regular program coursework, the student must enroll in ACFN 5711: Capstone Experience, under the program advisor until the capstone experience has been completed. ACFN 5711 is a Pass/Fail course; A grade of "Pass" in the course indicates only that the student has shown satisfactory progress toward completion of the capstone experience and does not indicate that the capstone experience has been fully and satisfactorily completed. Full and satisfactory completion of the capstone experience is determined separately by the MAFA Program Director, Graduate Dean, and the student's advisory committee, if applicable. Evidence of full and satisfactory completion of the capstone experience must be submitted to the Dean of the Graduate College through formal notification from the MAFA Program Director at least thirty days before conferral of the degree.

Requirements for admision to candidacy: The student must have:

- been formally admitted to the MAFA program with a satisfactory GMAT score on file in the Graduate College.
- Been assigned, by the Graduate College, an advisor from the College of Business graduate faculty.
- Filed with the Graduate College a degree plan and statement of understanding signed and dated by the student and approved by the assigned advisor and the Dean of the Graduate College
- Complete a minimum of 12 graduate hours as prescribed by this degree plan.
- Maintained a minimum "B" average in all coursework under this degree plan by the date of candidacy.

The student is responsible for promptly notifying the assigned advisor when all of these criteria have been met. A minimum of fifteen hours of coursework under this degree plan, exclusive of ACFN 5711, must be completed after being admitted to candidacy.

DEGREE PLAN APPROVED:

Student : _____ Date: _____

Advisor : _____ Date: _____

Graduate Dean: _____ Date: _____

MAFA: Revised 06/11