BACHELOR OF ACCOUNTANCY

(Part-time Programme)
Programme Overview

Singapore is working towards establishing itself as a leading regional and global financial centre, trading and service hub. It also has the vision of making Singapore an accountancy hub. As we continue to grow in this area, there is an increasing demand for more qualified accountants.

The School of Business at Singapore University of Social Sciences (formerly known as SIM University) offers the Bachelor of Accountancy (BACC) programme as an avenue for working adults to upgrade their skills and knowledge to stay relevant in their course of work and in the ever-changing business landscape. With the students’ learning needs in mind, the programme is designed with a balanced approach in providing them with broad general business skills, and also strong academic and professional training in financial accounting, management assurance and taxation.

Recognition of Programme

The Bachelor of Accountancy Degree is recognised by the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA). This means that graduates will have satisfied the qualification requirement for the purpose of registration as a Public Accountant under the Accountants Act (Cap.2). The degree is also accredited by the Singapore Accountancy Commission (SAC) for direct entry into the Singapore Qualification Programme which is an admission requirement for membership of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants (ISCA) and registration as a Chartered Accountant of Singapore.

When a student graduates from Singapore University of Social Sciences with a Bachelor of Accountancy, the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) will grant some exemptions for the purpose of registering and taking their professional examinations. Graduates will be exempted from the five Certificate Level examinations and the six Operational and Management Level Objective tests from CIMA; and for ACCA, graduates will be exempted from all FIA papers and also F1 to F8 papers.

Whom is this Programme for?

This programme targets working adults and mature learners who are in the accounting industry and aspire to be a Chartered Accountant of Singapore. Professionals from other disciplines keen on seeking accounting-related employment can also benefit from this programme.

Message from the Dean

“The School of Business at Singapore University of Social Sciences aims to nurture business and management professionals who can communicate well, resolve intricate business issues effectively, and manage complexities efficiently in today’s highly competitive and dynamic business environment. We will prepare our students to become knowledgeable professionals who are ready to manage and lead.

We strive to give our students a valuable learning experience by providing them with experienced and inspiring teaching faculty complemented with a supportive and flexible learning environment. Leveraging on our strong industry links and business networking, we aim to bring the business world to our business school through case studies, work-based assessments, and guest speaker seminars. We will also bring the business school to the business world through industry site visits and overseas study trips.

We provide a pathway for students to obtain a quality university education and the relevant foundation to achieve their desired career goals.”

Associate Professor Lee Pui Mun
Dean, School of Business
Singapore University of Social Sciences

Programme Structure

The BACC programme is designed to provide students with broad foundational knowledge and skills in the business compulsory courses, progressing to more applied and specialised subject knowledge in the accountancy compulsory courses.

Students are required to complete a total of 170 credit units (cu) to graduate. The classification of honours will depend on the overall academic performance of students.
Degree requirements consist of 140 cu compulsory, 20 cu electives and 10 cu university core courses. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

**Business Compulsory Courses (60 cu)**

**Level 1**
- Statistics
- Quantitative Methods

**Level 2**
- Contract and Agency Law
- Company and Tort Law
- Managing People
- Managerial Economics
- International Economics
- Marketing Management

**Level 3 Accountancy Compulsory Courses (80 cu)**

**Level 2**
- Financial Accounting
- Managerial Accounting
- Financial Reporting
- Intermediate Financial Reporting
- Accounting for Decision Making and Control
- Introduction to Income Tax
- Accounting Information Systems

**Level 3**
- Advanced Financial Reporting
- Assurance and Attestation
- Advanced Assurance and Attestation
- Taxation of Companies and Partnerships
- International Taxation and Tax Planning
- Strategic Management Accounting

**Level 4**
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation
- Accounting Theory and Practice (10 cu)

**Elective Courses (20 cu)**

- Four Elective Courses from Accountancy, Business Analytics and/or Finance majors

*Explanatory Notes:*
1 Up to two of the above courses can be replaced by two General Electives, which are courses offered under the General Studies Programme (course pre-requisites apply)

For more information on our Bachelor of Accountancy, please visit [suss.edu.sg/BACC](http://suss.edu.sg/BACC)
Admissions

You must be a Singapore citizen, permanent resident or a resident in Singapore. In addition, you will need to meet these minimum requirements:

- GCE 'A' level with two passes (prior to 2006) or two H2 passes (from 2006), or local Polytechnic Diploma or International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma or NUS High School Diploma. Applicants with an acceptable SAT1 score may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis;
- Two years of full-time work experience, or currently employed on a full-time basis; and
- At least 21 years old.

Some programmes may have additional requirements. Please refer to the individual programme pages for details.

In addition, applicants to the Bachelor of Accountancy programme will be evaluated on academic merit, relevant work experience, motivation in pursuing the programme and communication skills. Interviews will be conducted for all shortlisted applicants.

All applications are considered individually on merit, and the offer of admission depends on the number of places available. Admission is solely at the discretion of Singapore University of Social Sciences.

How to Apply

Applications are to be made online via suss.edu.sg. You must submit all the required documents together with your admission application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Tuition Fees and Government Subsidy

The amount of course fee you pay in each semester depends on the number of courses you take in that semester. Course fees cover all study materials, classes, supervision, assignments and examinations. They do not include costs for textbooks and other additional items specified by the university from time to time.

Students may be eligible for a government subsidy of up to 55% of the course fee. In addition, Singapore Citizens (SC) aged 40 and above who are pursuing MOE-subsidised undergraduate programmes with Singapore University of Social Sciences and who are eligible for the SkillsFuture Mid-Career Enhanced Subsidy will pay tuition fees that are 60% lower than the standard subsidised fees payable by other SC students who are below 40 years old.

All Singaporeans aged 25 and above can use their S$500 SkillsFuture Credit from the government to pay for a wide range of approved skills-related courses. Visit the SkillsFuture Credit website (www.skillsfuture.sg/credit) to choose from the courses available on the SkillsFuture Credit course directory.

Internet Access

All Singapore University of Social Sciences’ students must have access to a computer or laptop and the Internet in order to use the electronic and website facilities, which allow access to course, academic or administrative information.

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