GRADUATE TAXATION CERTIFICATE

The Certificate in Graduate Taxation is composed of four 3-credit courses (12 credits): BTAX 6003 Tax Research and three tax elective courses. The focus of the certificate is to provide students with both a theoretical basis and practical hands-on skills. The certificate is dedicated exclusively to the study of taxation. Admission to the Certificate in Graduate Taxation program requires a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university. Completion of the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) is not required.

The program is suitable for practicing accountants, attorneys, and financial planners who do not primarily practice in the field of taxation but who wish to gain a background in that domain. In addition, it is an ideal vehicle for recent accounting and non-accounting graduates who seek a focused and convenient program of study in the area of taxation. This certificate is designed for students who are interested in studying taxation for their own professional practice or a venture in family business as well as for those who are interested in developing tax skills, creative thinking and innovative approaches as a career-builder in working for small or large corporations.

The certificate program provides students with an overview of the different areas of taxation and provides them with the skills and knowledge they need to identify and resolve many tax issues. The curriculum provides an exposure to the basic areas of taxation while permitting students to take courses designed to accommodate their particular interests. Coursework in the certificate program is geared to professionals employed on a full-time basis. Classes meet one evening per week or are offered online. A student who wishes to earn the certificate should consult with the Director of Graduate Accounting Programs to ensure that the three taxation elective courses selected are in line with his or her academic/career objectives.

Students completing the Certificate in Graduate Taxation who are subsequently admitted to the M.B.A. program are eligible to apply all certificate courses to fulfill M.B.A. degree elective requirements.

Because the certificate is not a degree, students who complete the certificate program do not participate in University Commencement Exercises.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Course		
BTAX 6003	Tax Research	3
Subtotal		3
Elective Courses		
Select three of the following courses:		9
BACC 7121	Federal Income Taxation of Individuals	
BACC 7122	Federal Income Taxation of Business	
BACC 7135	Essentials of Federal Taxation	
BTAX 6009	Tax Accounting	
BTAX 7012	Federal Income Tax Practice and Procedure	
Subtotal		9
Total Hours		**12**