School of Accounting
Highlights - 2013

The School of Accounting:
- The School of Accounting’s Masters of Accounting program and Undergraduate program were both ranked 22nd in the Nation by the Public Accounting Report in 2013 for all accounting programs across the nation.
- Both the undergraduate and Masters of Accounting program were ranked in the top ten for mid size schools.
- Faculty ranked 20th in the nation in research productivity by The UTD North American Rankings of Business Schools for 2009-2013.
- The School of Accounting is separately accredited by the AACSBB.

Our Students: The School has world-class students and graduates.
- The School offers an undergraduate degree in Accounting, a Masters of Accounting (MACC), and PhD in Accounting with approximately:
  o 373 students in upper division undergraduate accounting (Junior and Senior standing – with an average GPA of 3.6)
  o 141 students in the MACC program (average GPA of 3.6) with tracks in Audit / Financial, Tax and Accounting Information Systems in the full and part time programs
  o 12 students in the PhD program
- Students won the regional Deloitte FanTAXtic completion in 2012 and were the only team from Utah to compete with eight other top schools at the national competition.
- Our Beta Alpha Psi chapter has earned Superior Chapter every year.
- Our students are recruited by the Big Four, Grant Thornton, regional and local firms as well as in industry, government and the non-profit sector, both locally and nationally.
- Placement for our Macc students at graduation was over 96% for May 2013 graduates. 30% of the graduates took positions out of state.

Our Faculty: The School has a world-class faculty.
During the current and past Academic Year:
- Dr. Christine Botosan is currently President Elect of the American Accounting Association (AAA).
- Dr. Bob Allen was inducted into the AAA, Teaching Learning and Curriculum Section Hall of Honor.
- Professor Marci Butterfield received the LDSSA Teacher of the Year Award for the entire university
- Dr. Bob Allen received the EMBA Outstanding Teaching Award.
- Professor Scott Pickett received the Brady Teaching Award.
- Professor Marci Butterfield won a Daniels Ethics Award for incorporating ethics into introductory accounting.
- Dr. Martha Eining was named the National AWSCPA Accounting Educator of the Year for 2012; Professor Marci Butterfield received this honor in 2009.
Our Student Support Staff:
• MAcc Admissions Coordinator, Olivia Hansen, CPA, has a Macc from Gonzaga, and worked for EY.
• Richard Reed, MBA, CPA received the David Eccles School of Business Staff Achievement Award for his exemplary service as our Macc Advisor.
• Megan Ludlow, undergraduate accounting advisor, joined us from Rutgers University where she was an academic advisor. She has a BA from Utah and a Masters from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.
• Melissa Kraft and Brianna Koucos provide support for our Career Services.

Our Curriculum: The School has a world-class curriculum:
• We offer an IFRS class, one of a few in the country. We also offer classes on Financial Reporting and Financial Statement Analysis.
• Our Low Income Tax Payer Clinic and VITA program provide hands on opportunities for both undergraduate and MACC students to work with clients and argue before the IRS.
• We now offer a part time Work Friendly Macc four semester program for those in auditing and AIS. The Accounting Fast Track program encourages our best undergraduate students to enter the Macc.
• We are starting an Intensive Summer program to help non-accounting majors and international students enter the MAcc.
• Our Masters of Accounting Program includes a one week course highlighting accounting professionalism and team building. The students spend one day doing an intensive service project that they organize and complete.
• We offer a fraud and forensics class where students act as an expert witness in a real courtroom with lawyers and a presiding judge.
• We have implemented a new introductory accounting sequence focused on using accounting information for decision making both internally and externally.
• Student trips to large metropolitan areas, like Dallas to learn about accounting firms and industry.

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