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GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

A UW TACOMA GRADUATE DEGREE can be the key to advancing your career by developing your expertise and focusing your studies. UW Tacoma offers graduate education that’s engaging, innovative and designed to help students succeed.

- Classes are small and, for most programs, are held on evenings and weekends.
- Most programs offer full- and part-time options (MBA and MSW are part-time only).
- UW Tacoma is a military-friendly campus. Programs listed here are VA approved.
- A University of Washington degree—recognized nationally and internationally for its faculty and quality of education.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Baccalaureate degree from a regionally-accredited institution.
- 3.0 cumulative grade-point average in your last 90 graded quarter credits or 60 graded semester credits.
- Additional requirements vary by program. Please contact the academic program for a complete list of admission requirements, including scores from entrance exams such as the GRE or GMAT.

APPLYING TO A UW TACOMA GRADUATE PROGRAM

Admission is a two-part process requiring application to the UW Graduate School and to a specific graduate degree program at the University of Washington Tacoma. [tacoma.uw.edu/graduate](tacoma.uw.edu/graduate)

Application materials for most UW Tacoma graduate programs are included in the Graduate School application. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the program.
ACCOUNTING (MSAcc)

The Master of Science in Accounting (MSAcc) degree is a STEM program offered by the Milgard School of Business is designed to accommodate your busy work schedule, allowing you to meet the CPA exam fifth-year requirement and earn your master’s degree in three quarters while attending evening classes. A six-quarter option is available for non-accounting majors.

The MSAcc will train you in internal audit, taxation, forensic accounting, accounting analytics, and professional communication and leadership. This 9-mo. program focuses on increasing your critical and analytical thinking skills, while learning the latest accounting software including SAP - ERP, Tableau, advanced Excel, and other auditing and tax software. From late September through early June, students take classes that prepare them for the opportunities, challenges, and experiences of work in the accounting profession.

APPLY BY: Autumn Quarter priority / Milgard scholarship deadline: May 1
Autumn Quarter final deadline: August 1
Spring Quarter priority deadline (three-qtr. option only): March 1
Rolling admissions on a space-available basis

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**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)**

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) program at the Milgard School of Business is part time and work compatible, with classes during evenings and Saturdays. The program encourages managers to develop the integrated base of knowledge and skills needed to lead organizations facing an increasing pace of change.

The core curriculum addresses key areas of business knowledge with a focus on finance, accounting, marketing, operations, ethics, human behavior and business strategy. Perspectives on international business are integrated across these courses, which culminate in a capstone course that offers a comprehensive systems perspective on organizations. These courses also emphasize quantitative and qualitative tools for predicting, planning and managing change.

**APPLY BY:**
- Autumn Quarter priority / Milgard scholarship deadline: **May 1**
- Autumn Quarter final deadline: **August 1**
- Winter Quarter application deadline: **November 1**

*Rolling admissions on a space-available basis*

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**BUSINESS ANALYTICS (MS)**

The Master of Science in Business Analytics (MSBA) degree at the Milgard School of Business will prepare you to succeed in the data-driven digital era. This interdisciplinary hybrid MSBA is designed for professionals and recent college graduates who want to sharpen their critical thinking, problem solving, analytical decision-making, and project and process management skills.

This work-compatible 12-month 40-credit STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) program provides you with the knowledge, tools and skills to understand, manage and make use of big data and smart digital solutions. Be part of the next-generation of analytics savvy business analysts, T-shaped analytical thinkers and adaptive innovators who help organizations increase performance and cultivate new opportunities.

**APPLY BY:**
- **Summer Quarter application deadlines**
  - Early deadline: **November 15**
  - Priority deadline: **January 15**
    - For domestic applicants and international students planning to apply for a new student F1/J1 visa
  - Final deadline: **April 15**
    - For domestic applicants and international students who currently have an H1-B, H4, or other visa (including transferring an I-20 from another school).

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In 2001, Chancellor Vicky L. Carwein led the formation of the UW Tacoma Institute of Technology, the idea for which grew out of the South Sound Technology Conference which was co-founded by her engineer husband, William Andrews. The Institute transformed into the School of Engineering & Technology and today, thrives as a center for graduate education in the South Sound.

The Vicky L. Carwein and William B. Andrews Endowment for Graduate Programs provides endowed fellowship support for Ph.D. students and endowed research funding for graduate students in the School of Engineering & Technology. In funding this endowment, Dr. Carwein and Mr. Andrews hope to help create and sustain a pipeline of highly skilled and knowledgeable engineers, researchers, innovators, and entrepreneurs who, in the tradition of the University of Washington, are people who not only dream of changing the world, they do it.

NEW

COMPUTER SCIENCE & SYSTEMS (PhD)

The PhD in Computer Science and Systems program is designed to develop researchers in one of many interdisciplinary areas in science and society characterized by substantial computer science challenges. Graduates of this program will be contributors to local growth and use-inspired innovation. The curriculum includes courses in traditional areas of computer science, such as advanced algorithms and distributed computing, as well as courses and a doctoral thesis in high demand fields where SET’s faculty have strong expertise, such as machine learning, cryptography, cloud computing, and bioinformatics. Graduates will be leaders and advanced explorers able to bridge the gap between technological and societal demands through collaborative research.

APPLY BY:  
Spring Quarter application deadline: January 6
Autumn Quarter application deadline: February 17

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tacoma.uw.edu/set/phd
COMPUTER SCIENCE & SYSTEMS (MS)

The Master of Science in Computer Science and Systems (MSCSS) program at the School of Engineering & Technology (SET) provides a solid foundation to advanced careers in computer science. It develops your breadth of understanding of the latest applied and theoretical concepts within computer science.

The program offers a research track, which includes working on a project/thesis, and the opportunity to explore a variety of topics with electives. The graduate faculty members engage in state-of-the-art research and have a close relationship with the local high-technology industry. Industry fellows participate in teaching and mentoring activities with graduate students, lending a real-world perspective in the classroom.

APPLY BY:  
Spring Quarter application deadline: **January 6**  
Autumn Quarter application deadline: **February 17**

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CYBERSECURITY & LEADERSHIP (MCL)

The Master of Cybersecurity and Leadership (MCL)—offered jointly by the School of Engineering & Technology and the Milgard School of Business—is designed for those seeking a competitive advantage for advancement in leadership positions in the growth area of cybersecurity. Hone your technical and managerial skills to elevate leadership, risk management and change management competencies that are essential to lead technology professionals and organizations in the 21st century.

This work-compatible program takes 40 Saturdays allowing you to get your degree in just 11 months.

APPLY BY:  
Autumn Quarter application deadlines  
Priority: **March 10** / Final: **April 15**  
International students: **March 10**

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UW Tacoma is the West Coast site of a two-university collaboration designed to recruit and train cybersecurity professionals for federal, state, local and tribal governments and provides the National Science Foundation (NSF) CyberCorps® Scholarship for Service (SFS) to eligible MCL students.
NEW ELECTRICAL & COMPUTER ENGINEERING (MSECE)

The MSECE emphasizes industry-sought cutting edge knowledge and critical skills in electrical and computer engineering. The curriculum includes courses in advanced computer architecture, advanced digital systems, advanced embedded control systems and signal processing, RF microelectronics, wireless communication, power systems, as well as cryptography and implementation of cryptographic systems. Our MS ECE degree program will be open to students with an undergraduate degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or other related fields. Students admitted to the MS ECE will select a degree plan in line with their desired areas of specialization in consultation with a faculty advisor.

APPLY BY: Autumn Quarter application deadline March 17

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NEW GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SOFTWARE DESIGN ENGINEERING

The certificate is designed for students without an undergraduate degree in computer science or a closely related field. The certificate provides graduates with a strong practicum in programming and software development. This will help students to advance and augment existing careers, qualify for admission to master’s programs in computer science, or support a career transition to software development. Ideal candidates have a bachelor’s degree and possess basic computer programming knowledge and are looking to further extend their programming and software development skills.

APPLY BY: Autumn Quarter application deadline: August 31

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tacoma.uw.edu/set/software-design
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (EdD)

GENERAL EdD:
Today's leaders are required to use skill sets and knowledge that extend beyond that acquired in a master's degree. This cohort will focus on strengthening practitioners working with community leadership (adult education), P-12 leadership (Superintendent & Program Administrator Certification), and higher education leadership (including leadership for nurses and healthcare professionals) by disrupting structural inequalities and transforming institutional approaches in these settings toward sustainable approaches in teaching, research, student engagement, community engagement and leadership. UW Tacoma addresses these needs with the practice doctorate degree, the Doctor of Education (EdD) in Educational Leadership.

TRIBAL (INDIGENOUS) LEADERSHIP:
The University of Washington Tacoma in a joint partnership with the Muckleshoot Tribal College are offering Tribal and Indigenous leaders the opportunity to apply to the Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership (EdD). This specific cohort will be Indigenous-centered in the curriculum and approaches in the program. This area strengthens and centers Tribal and Indigenous leadership development as they navigate working within their own or other Tribal communities. This program is appropriate for students holding a Master's degree and who are in the educational field (and allied areas) working with Tribal communities. This a tribally-based cohort and classes will be held at the Muckleshoot Tribal College.

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NEW

EDUCATION SPECIALIST in SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY (EdS)

The EdS program in School Psychology prepares school psychologists who are reflective science-practitioners and systems change leaders who value and work for equity and the empowerment of youth, families, educators, and school communities. This program emphasizes multi-tiered systems of prevention and intervention that holistically promote social, emotional, and behavioral wellness; academic success; and collaborative partnerships.

Graduate students in this program enjoy the benefit of taking some coursework with a diverse group of UW Tacoma students enrolled in other educational and psychological disciplines (e.g., teachers, social workers, higher education advisors) while also getting the advantage of taking other courses within a small EdS cohort.

The School of Education offers full-time and part-time options (course plan to be determined based on scheduling needs).

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EDUCATION (MEd)

The Master of Education (MEd) programs offer a variety of options for those seeking teacher certification and for practicing educators. Our Teacher Certification programs prepare you for either:
  - Elementary Education with Special Education or English Language Learners or
  - Secondary Education in either Biology, Chemistry, Earth+Space Science, Physics or Mathematics.

For practicing educators we offer an Educational Administration program for those seeking a Principal or Program Administrator Certificate or our General MEd program in which you choose one of the following:
  - Curriculum and Instruction
  - Social-Emotional Learning (SEL)
  - Special Education
  - Student Academic and Social Success (SASS) or
  - Teaching English Language Learners (TELL).

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Top Performers on Social Mobility
U.S. News & World Report 2021
#1 IN THE NATION

Best Nursing Schools: Master’s among public universities
U.S. News & World Report 2021

NURSING (MN)

The Master of Nursing (MN) program prepares RNs for practice in a range of settings as leaders, managers, care providers and educators. Affiliated with the University of Washington School of Nursing, UW Tacoma’s Nursing Program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.ccneaccreditation.org).

Two curriculum options are offered. In the Leader in Healthcare Delivery option you gain in-depth knowledge and skills relating to leading in an environment of constant change in healthcare systems, government agencies and community organizations. In the Nurse Educator option you gain knowledge to develop educational programs, evaluate performance and facilitate learning and are prepared to teach in a variety of roles including academic nursing program faculty, staff educators and patient educators.

Core coursework for both options includes research, health systems and health policy, leadership, healthcare informatics, quality and safety in healthcare, health promotion, diversity and social issues related to health.

APPLY BY: Autumn Quarter: April 1
Winter Quarter: September 1
Spring Quarter: December 1

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SOCIAL WORK (MSW)

Developed in collaboration with the School of Social Work on the Seattle campus, the part-time Master of Social Work (MSW) program prepares students for advanced-level social work practice with individuals, families, and communities with an emphasis on promoting social justice.

The curriculum provides in-depth training through classroom and field experience and includes topics such as specialized social work practice models and methods, social policy advocacy, social justice and cultural diversity, and applied research. This CSWE-accredited program enables learners to develop skill in the specialization area of Integrative Practice. A part-time Advanced Standing option is available to eligible applicants with an undergraduate degree in social work or social welfare.

APPLY BY: 3-year MSW Autumn Quarter: March 1
Advanced Standing MSW Winter Quarter: June 30

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Best Graduate Schools for Social Work
U.S. News & World Report 2019
COMMUNITY PLANNING (MA)

The Master of Arts in Community Planning (MACP) degree program builds upon the degrees in Urban Studies and Sustainable Urban Development. MA graduates are prepared as competent collaborative professionals who work with and empower community constituents, influencing processes of policy formation, resource generation, community change, and urban development.

The program’s emphasis on urban social issues, community development, and urban problem-solving, and its commitment to training you to think critically and creatively, to work collaboratively in the interest of creating sustainable communities and to effectively communicate knowledge in a variety of ways is a direct expression of the UW Tacoma mission as a higher education institution.

APPLY BY: Autumn Quarter application deadlines
Priority: March 15 / Final: June 15
International students: March 15

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GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGIES (MS)

The degree provides advanced training in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), including mobile and web-based GIS. You will be trained in the use and application of geospatial hardware, software, and data in urban and environmental planning scenarios.

It also prepares you to become leaders in the management and utilization of geospatial technologies within the job market—public, private, and not-for-profit sectors. Graduates of this program will engage in the development and deployment of location-based mobile applications and management of web-based geospatial data. While technical in design, this program maintains a theoretical/critical focus on the application of these technologies to urban and environmental issues.

APPLY BY: Autumn Quarter application deadlines
Priority: March 15 / Final: June 15
International students: March 15

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Business Administration MBA  
Business Analytics MS  
Community Planning MA  
Computer Science & Systems MS, PhD  
Cybersecurity & Leadership MCL  
Education MEd  
Educational Leadership EdD  
Education Specialist in School Psychology EdS  
Electrical & Computer Engineering MS  
Geospatial Technologies MS  
Nursing MN  
Social Work MSW  
Software Design Engineering Certificate  

For info on current tuition and how to pay for your education, including available scholarships and fellowships, visit the UW Tacoma Office of Student Financial Aid: tacoma.uw.edu/finaid  

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