



## CPA LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

### MINNESOTA

Completing a DeVry accounting program does not guarantee employment or licensure. States may have work experience requirements not met through DeVry's educational programs.

State professional licensure or certification requirements are subject to change at any time. Current and prospective students are encouraged to contact the state licensure authority where they plan to practice, reviewing all licensure and certification requirements pertaining to their state.

State Licensure Authority	Educational Requirements	Experience Requirements	Ethics Requirements	Other General Requirements
<a href="#">Minnesota State Board of Accountancy</a>	<p>A total of 150 semester hours from an accredited institution that includes a total of 48 hours in business-related subjects and intermediate or higher accounting coursework (counting the 24 accounting credits originally earned to sit for the exam).</p> <p>Accounting and business-related subjects include the following:</p> <p>Accounting Subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial accounting and reporting for business organizations.</li> <li>• Financial accounting and reporting for government and not-for-profit entities.</li> <li>• Auditing and attestation services</li> <li>• Managerial or cost accounting</li> <li>• Taxation</li> <li>• Fraud examination</li> <li>• Internal controls and risk assessment</li> <li>• Financial statement analysis</li> </ul>	<p>Experience consists of providing any type of services or advice using accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax, or consulting skills.</p> <p>One year of experience that consists of full or part-time employment that extends over a period of no less than one year and no more than three years and includes no fewer than 2,000 hours of performance of services as described above.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptable experience includes employment in industry, government, academia or public practice.</li> <li>• Your experience must be verified by an Active status CPA with a valid certificate or an unexpired Inactive CPA.</li> </ul>	<p>All candidates must take and pass an ethics exam within two year preceding initial application for certificate.</p> <p>The exam the board currently accepts is the AICPA Professional Ethics Comprehensive Course "For Licensure."</p>	<p>Pass all four sections of the CPA Examination.</p> <p>All candidates must also take and pass an ethics exam within two years preceding initial application for the certificate.</p>

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	Educational Requirements Cont.	Experience Requirements Cont.	Ethics Requirements Cont.	Other General Requirements Cont.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accounting research and analysis</li> <li>Tax research and analysis</li> <li>Accounting information systems</li> <li>Accounting ethics</li> </ul> <p>Business-related Subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business law</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>management</li> <li>Finance</li> <li>Business communications</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Quantitative methods</li> <li>Technical writing</li> <li>Information systems or technology</li> <li>Business ethics</li> <li>Marketing</li> <li>Data analytics</li> <li>Computer science</li> </ul>			

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For preliminary guidance on whether a particular DeVry University or its Keller Graduate School of Management accounting program meets your state's educational requirements to sit for the exam, see below:

**DVU Programs that Meet the Education Requirements to Sit for the CPA Exam<sup>1</sup>**

- Bachelor of Science in Accounting
- Master of Science in Accounting
- Master of Science in Accounting and Financial Management

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<sup>1</sup> DeVry made the determinations for the graduate-level programs based on the prerequisite coursework required for the program or in conjunction with the appropriate undergraduate coursework. Please review the pertinent state-specific disclosure or contact the appropriate [State Board of Accountancy](#) for additional information.

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### DVU Programs that May Not Meet the Education Requirements to Sit for the CPA Exam

- Undergraduate Certificate in Accounting
- Graduate Certificate in Accounting

### Notes:

- Students cannot earn CPA licensure simply by earning a college degree. According to the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA), you'll first need to determine where you plan to sit for the CPA exam since the education requirements to sit for the CPA exam are different for every state. For example, some states require 120 total semester credit hours to qualify, while others require 150 total semester credit hours.
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA) licensure requirements established by each state, but **all states** require a minimum of 150 semester credit hours for licensure. DeVry's Bachelor of Science in Accounting (120 credit hours) will not, by itself, meet the education requirements for CPA licensure in any state.
- Students must be mindful to complete the appropriate number of credit hours in each subject matter (i.e., accounting and business) when registering for classes or choosing electives, as requirements vary by state.
- Although the Bachelor of Science in Accounting, Master of Science in Accounting and the Master of Science in Accounting and Financial Management may not individually lead to eligibility to sit for the CPA Exam or seek licensure as a CPA in certain states, it is possible that coupled with an undergraduate degree or an appropriate number of other accounting and business education credits, the degrees, and the specific courses taken may count toward the educational requirements in those states.
- If you are planning to seek professional licensure as a CPA, it is strongly recommended that you contact the appropriate licensing entity (in most cases, the state Board of Accountancy) in the state in which you plan to practice in order to seek information and guidance regarding licensure requirements and work with your Student Support Advisor to make sure you're able to take the required courses. CPA licensure requirements, including the educational component of those requirements, are state-specific and differ from one state to another. Each state's board of accountancy can be found by visiting the website of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy at: [NASBA.org](https://www.nasba.org).
- Some state laws require a criminal background check, which may disqualify an individual from obtaining licensure. As such, it is your responsibility to determine if your circumstances pose any barriers.