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Explore the realities of the accounting field beyond your current degree and professional designation. Solutions to some of the toughest and most pressing challenges in the field are being developed, and York's MFAc program gives you immediate access to the latest accounting and business innovations.

You'll apply course material to hot-button issues such as the recent global financial crisis, the growing credit crunch and the collapse of the United States subprime mortgage market.

Upon graduation, you'll be well equipped with the advanced knowledge and skills required to meet the changing demands of today's employers and to tackle the complex organizational, ethical, legislative and financial realities you will face in your career.

Want to learn how your organization can optimize its financial and information management systems to maximize transparency and access for stakeholders? Wonder how you might better manage and evaluate performance measurement systems and enterprise risk? Tackle these questions and more. Apply today – visit www.yorku.ca/mfac

Applications are considered as soon as they are complete and received. Early application is encouraged as spaces in the program are limited.

APPLY NOW

Summer deadline Mar 1

Fall deadline Apr 1

Winter deadlines Nov 15 (International applicants)
Nov 30 (Canadian applicants)

If space is available, late applications will be accepted until April 1 for the summer start, August 1 for fall, and December 1 for winter.

For more details and an invitation to an information session, contact:

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HEAR FROM OUR STUDENTS

"The MFAc program's unique focus on governance and accountability has enhanced my understanding and broadened my perspective on key issues facing many companies today."

Gord Piercey, CA

VP Finance,
TD Bank Financial Group

"MFAc differs from traditional business master's programs by providing students with leading-edge specialization in an emerging business field. Small class sizes and highly skilled professors allow for an enriched learning environment."

Mary Labatia

Corporate Accountant

"The MFAc program is helping me to refine and enhance the professional skills required to meet and fulfill my fiduciary responsibilities as a corporate employee and as a board member on the corporate boards on which I serve."

John A. Sabo, M.ED, CA, C.DIR

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leadership and governance.
Be prepared.

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HELP SET A NEW HIGH STANDARD

Whatever tomorrow's reality, we know that oversight and regulation are changing and accountability will become paramount in the governance framework.

Governments around the world are calling for a greater emphasis on transparency and a stronger focus on accountability and trust. York's MFAC responds to this call for change to Canadian and international business leaders by providing the motivation and expertise to enhance their enterprise risk management, performance measurement and transparent disclosure practices.



Four conceptual cornerstones define and focus the MFAC program:

- 1) corporate ethics
- 2) regulatory requirements and legislative standards
- 3) effective information systems
- 4) transparency in corporate reporting

These cornerstones will provide the breadth and depth you'll need to understand and critically assess the processes and functions that play a role in shaping the contemporary context of risk measurement, governance and accountability.

Learn to recognize complex irregularities with an enriched understanding of new approaches

- Integrate your knowledge and practical skills in the areas of accounting, management, information technology, corporate responsibility and ethics, finance, auditing, financial accountability theory and research methods.
- Deepen and extend your understanding of accounting and business while linking theory and research with professional experience and practice.
- Benefit from internationally and nationally recognized faculty with impressive research records and a strong blend of academic and professional experience.
- Strengthen your professional networks by sharing successes and challenges with other students in the program.
- Access professional mentorship and advice from guest speakers who are leaders in the field.
- Apply what you are learning immediately in your professional environment.

WHEN ACCOUNTABILITY IS YOUR BOTTOM LINE, ADD MFAC TO THE EQUATION

Designed to complement and expand the skills and competencies of professional accountants, financial executives, boards of directors, corporate leaders and regulators, York University's new program addresses the increasingly complex measurement and reporting challenges that private, public and not-for-profit organizations currently face.

Some of the critical challenges that you will explore as a student in the program include:

- Ethical lapses
- Risk management, including innovative derivatives
- Fraud and corruption
- Data analytics
- Investment scams
- Credit crises
- Making transparent decisions
- Accountability and warning signs

As a graduate of the program, you'll have the awareness and expertise needed to help your organization enhance or transform its business practices and to ensure a higher standard of transparency and accountability to regulators, shareholders, general investors, creditors and other stakeholders.

MFAC complements your existing degree or professional designation

York's MFAC provides new approaches and insight into the field. The program is ideal for professionals and accomplished recent graduates in accounting, financial reporting or related areas who wish to advance their career by adding in-demand knowledge to their existing skill sets. Most of our students have their CA, CGA, CIA, CMA, CFA, CPA or LLB. Many professional associations will grant Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits to those pursuing the MFAC program.

The executive-style format gives you the added flexibility of studying part-time, with courses in the evening and on weekends. A full-time option is also available if you wish to study on an accelerated basis, allowing you to complete the program in only four semesters.

Learn to manage risk — acting with agility, ethics and transparency

"It is clear that organizations will need to ensure that they have strong resources in the area of financial accountability. Companies will be even more careful to ensure financial reporting is transparent and fiduciary responsibilities are faithfully executed. Strong corporate governance will be critical to achieving these goals."

Brian D. Leader, FCA

Vice-President of Learning, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario (ICAO)

Learn more about the MFAC program, faculty, courses and admission procedures by visiting

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