What to do if you've been offered a pre-MAC

SUMMER INTERNSHIP

If you've received an offer for a pre-MAC internship in the summer of 2022, congratulations! An internship provides an excellent opportunity to learn essential skills and refine your professional acumen. You're also highly likely to secure an offer for a full-time job that will begin after you graduate from the MAC Program.

While the on-campus format of the UNC Master of Accounting Program begins in June, we recognize the importance of real-world training and would like to accommodate your internship opportunity. Provided you meet the criteria below, you can join our program in mid-August after you finish your pre-MAC internship.

- 1. You'll be participating in a formal internship program with an established organization and performing work related to accounting or finance.
- 2. By June 2022, you will have fulfilled your undergraduate degree requirements and will have received a grade of B- or better (not pass/fail) in an Introductory Finance* course from a U.S.-based, AACSB-accredited institution.
- * For students at UNC, this course is BUSI 408.

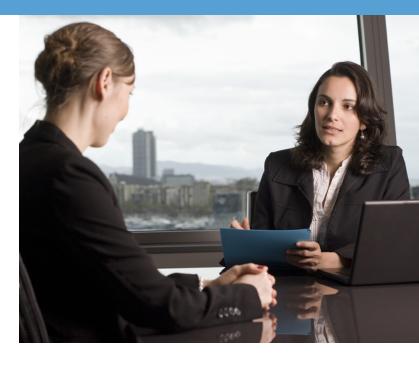
If you can meet those criteria, you're in good shape!

PROCESS + IMPORTANT DATES

On August 8, you'll attend a welcome event where you'll meet students, professors, and staff members and receive key information that will help you transition into the MAC Program.

From August 8 to September 16, you'll take a compressed, eight-week term with multiple classes.

From September 23-25, you'll participate in our Leadership Immersion, which includes a one-credit course called *Leadership: Ethics, Professionalism, and Team-Building in Today's Diverse Business Environment.*



On October 3, you'll begin the second term alongside all members of the MAC class of 2023 (and graduate with them in June 2023).

You may also participate in our <u>Structured Recruiting process</u> and you'll need to attend all events, including those conducted prior to starting your coursework in early August. If you opt for an early-August start, you will have access to Career Services through your time in the program to complete a traditional job search.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What's a pre-MAC internship?

A pre-MAC internship is an internship that begins after you graduate from your undergraduate institution, but before you begin the UNC MAC program. A pre-MAC internship is generally 8-12 weeks (and not a 3-4 day Summer Leadership Conference).

When are pre-MAC internships?

The timing varies by organization, but most pre-MAC internships begin in mid/late May and conclude in early August.

What types of employers provide pre-MAC internships?

While many organizations have summer internships, public accounting firms and financial services organizations are the primary sponsors for pre-MAC internships.



How many incoming MAC students receive pre-MAC internships?

Don't worry! Only about 20% of our MAC students receive pre-MAC internships. The vast majority of our students seek full-time employment via the Structured Recruiting process.

How would I learn about these pre-MAC internships?

Connect with your undergraduate career services office or student organizations.

Why should I accept a pre-MAC internship?

A pre-MAC internship will allow you to gain valuable work experience prior to your MAC studies. You'll add terrific content to share with your classmates and apply your practical knowledge to your coursework. You're also highly likely to convert this internship into a full-time employment offer.

What if I don't get a full-time job offer after my pre-MAC internship?

That's OK! You still have access to all of our Career Services staff and resources to help you secure full-time employment via a traditional assisted job search.

How do I gain "approval" for the internship?

We'll review the details of your pre-MAC internship with your overall MAC admissions application. You'll tick a box within the "Employment" section of the MAC application to let us know that you have a pre-MAC internship. We'll send you a brief form shortly thereafter to learn more about your internship.

What other stipulations are related to the *Introductory Finance* course?

You'll need to have fulfilled your undergraduate degree requirements and earned a B- or higher (not pass/fail) at a U.S.-based, AACSB-accredited institution for *Introductory Finance**, or a more advanced version of this course, in the past five years or by June 1, 2022. We'll consider waivers for courses more than five years ago with a resume review by the Associate Dean. Unfortunately, courses completed more than 15 years ago are not eligible for this process.

What if I haven't yet taken an Introductory Finance* course?

If you haven't yet taken an *Introductory Finance* course, connect with your undergraduate academic advisor to enroll in the course to ensure completion by June 1, 2022.

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

