

# MAcc VS PEP



## 01 | Delivery & Coursework



The MAcc is delivered through in-class instruction and offers support from professors



CPA PEP is delivered online, with support from module facilitator(s). One to two in-person, weekend workshops per module

### Coursework

#### UAlberta Master of Accounting

- ACCTG 601: Case Studies in Accounting
- FIN 625: Finance in Professional Accounting
- SMO 610: The Manager as Strategist
- ACCTG 657: Advanced Auditing
- ACCTG 630: Financial Statement Analysis
- OM 624: Performance Management
- ACCTG 662: Strategic Tax Planning
- ACCTG 625: Performance Management
- OM 624: Negotiations
- ACCTG 688: Capstone 1
- ACCTG 689 - Capstone 2

#### Professional Education Program

- Module 1 - Core 1
- Module 2 - Core 2
- Module 3 - Elective 1 \*
- Module 4 - Elective 2 \*
- Module 5 - Capstone 1
- Module 6 - Capstone 2

\* Choose from Taxation, Assurance, Performance Management or Finance



## 02 | Advantages

### What You Can Expect

#### UAlberta Master of Accounting

- Opportunity to immerse yourself in your studies over the summer, compared to working full-time and completing module coursework
- Develop knowledge in all four electives offered by PEP
- Complete supporting coursework in graduate business studies, identified by industry partners as key knowledge areas
- Can lead to both the CPA designation as well as a graduate degree, affording candidates unique career opportunities
- Small cohort of students and in-person delivery provides an opportunity to discuss accounting issues and learn from one another

#### Professional Education Program

- The financial investment is negligible as employers typically cover the cost of the program (this is typically dependent on passing each module)
- Practical experience is gained during coursework, supporting candidates in their module work and expediting the 30-month practical experience requirement
- Online platform is highly accessible and affords candidates flexibility with their studies
- Focus is on self-learning through online modules



## 03 | Investment

### Financial Investment

#### UAlberta Master of Accounting

Tuition and fees	\$ 38,630
CPA Dues	<u>2,040</u>
Total	40,670
Employer Support	11,100
Avg. Scholarship	<u>7,000</u>
Total Investment	\$ 22,570

#### Professional Education Program

Tuition and fees	\$ 9,060
CPA Dues	<u>2,040</u>
Total	11,100
Employer Support	11,100
Avg. Scholarship	<u>0</u>
Total Investment	\$0

### Time Investment

#### UAlberta Master of Accounting

- 8 months
- Full-Time
- Two summers (May - August)
- Work/School/Life balance allows you to focus on work from September - April, School from May - August

#### Professional Education Program

- ~8 weeks per module
- Duration is dependent on module offerings and whether candidates decide to "fast-track"

#### Jeff's Path

- Graduated university in April 2015
- Core 1 - 2015 (September)
- Core 2, Tax, Assurance - 2016
- Capstone 1 & 2 - 2017

Note: I did not take modules during "busy season" (January - April)



## In Closing

If you would like to learn more about how MAcc compares to PEP and which program suits your goals best, feel free to reach out to myself or the MAcc office!