## Jake Jabs College of Business & Entrepreneurship

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The mission of the Jake Jabs College of Business & Entrepreneurship is to educate our future leaders by creating inspiring, innovative, and engaging experiences that prepare our graduates to serve the evolving needs of business and society. This is achieved through a culture of trust and mutual respect, free expression and inquiry, and a commitment to truth, excellence, and the entrepreneurial spirit.

An extraordinary faculty offers transformational learning experiences that help students develop the initiative, skills, and creativity to be effective innovators in many different organizational contexts, including entrepreneurial ventures and large corporations. Distinguishing features of the program include exceptional faculty in every classroom, rigorous coursework, an interactive, personalized learning environment, an emphasis on professional skills, and high-performing students.

The College is accredited by AACSB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the premier accrediting association for business programs. AACSB has awarded its mark of distinction to only six percent of all business programs worldwide. Not only does this accreditation certify that Jabs meets AACSB's rigorous standards for business education, but it also signals to local, regional, and national employers that the College's graduates are well-prepared for careers in business. To learn more about Jabs, please visit our website: https://www.montana.edu/business/index.html (https://www.montana.edu/business/)

We offer two masters degrees: Masters of Professional Accountancy (MPAc) and Masters of Science in Innovation & Management (MSIM).

## Master of Professional Accountancy (MPAc) (http://catalog.montana.edu/graduate/business-master-accounting/)

This highly regarded program, in which students consistently pass the CPA exam at rates above the national average, should be considered by students who are interested in pursuing CPA certification or advanced financial positions. When students enter our program, they will have the opportunity to work closely with our nationally-recognized accounting and business faculty, using state-of-the-art technology. With the assistance of the Director of the MPAc program, students will formulate a graduate program of study that will integrate their educational background, areas of interest, and career path.

This emphasis on excellence has created a strong demand for our accounting graduates. Companies from most states in the western United States recruit on campus. Our graduates are employed by international public accounting firms, regional and local public accounting firms, corporations, and federal and state government entities.

To learn more about the MPAc program, please visit our website: https://www.montana.edu/business/accounting/MPAc/index.html (https://www.montana.edu/business/accounting/MPAc/)

## Master of Science in Innovation & Management (MSIM) (http://catalog.montana.edu/graduate/business/innovation-management/)

The MSIM is a 30-credit, non-thesis one-year graduate program is open to all degree backgrounds, and especially helpful for recent STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) graduates. The goal of the program is to provide early-stage professionals with a set of skills that will enable them to be more effective leaders, innovators, and team members in their respective careers along with a sense of professionalism and the ability to apply knowledge across a broad context.

To learn more about the MSIM program, please visit our website: https://www.montana.edu/business/innovation-management/index.html (https://www.montana.edu/business/innovation-management/)