

Alli Wonn MSTax Alumna

"I credit so much of my success early in my career to the faculty at Gonzaga!"

After Alli Wonn completed her undergraduate degree in accounting, she decided to continue her education at Gonzaga and pursue her Master of Science in Taxation (MSTax) degree. While in the program, Alli worked as a Graduate Assistant and Academic Tutor, and also managed to pass all four sections of the CPA exam! Graduating with her MSTax degree in 2017, Alli started her career at Deloitte as a Tax Consultant, where she specializes in investment management and real estate.

Learn more about Alli's experience, in her own words...

Why did you decide to pursue a Master of Science in Taxation degree?

I decided to pursue an MSTax degree after taking my first undergraduate tax class; it combined everything I loved from my financial accounting courses with the complexity of law and public policy. I had a fantastic experience as an undergraduate student in the accounting program, and I knew that Gonzaga's MSTax program would provide me with a reputable and specialized degree that I can leverage throughout my career as a CPA. Working in the profession, I love that two situations are rarely the same. This requires me to constantly think of new and creative ways to solve a problem for a client.

What did you appreciate most about your classes in the MSTax program?

I cannot emphasize enough how phenomenal the faculty is in the MSTax program! Every professor in the program works not only to ensure that students are proficient with course material, but they also go out of their way to help students with networking, provide career advice, and inform students of upcoming internships.

How has Gonzaga's MSTax program helped you in your current position?

The Gonzaga MSTax program does much more than simply prepare students for their first job out of college; it prepares each person for their career. The professors do a phenomenal job of challenging students to not only understand the concepts, but also to apply them to real life situations. Professors have high expectations of students which allowed me to practice balancing all of my responsibilities as a student. This definitely helped me when transitioning into the workplace.

Every class I took in the MSTax program helped me hit the ground running on my first day in public accounting. I felt very prepared for what was (and continues to be) asked of me as a tax consultant at Deloitte.