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Welcome to the ACCA Programme

Dear clients,

PwC's Academy is pleased to offer a full ACCA qualification. Whether you are new to ACCA or a returning student, we are excited to present our new courses, tutors, and study options.

Our ACCA vision is simple – to provide a premium teaching and support service that establishes the highest possible levels of quality and leverages our knowledge and experience as a leading professional services firm.

Your success at ACCA is our first priority and our years of experience with thousands of ACCA students across the regions have shown us that the right learning makes all the difference between success and failure at ACCA. Our students regularly score some of the highest pass marks in the world and their success at ACCA is based on our ACCA Advantage. A winning combination of supported self study, regular progress tests and an intensive, focused teaching course before the exam has proven to be the most successful model for our ACCA students and clients.

Join us at PwC's Academy and get the most out of your studies.

Good luck with all of your exams!

Joe



Joe Appleton

Director of PwC's Academy

With the strengthening of the code of conduct, regulation and legislation within the finance profession, there is a growing demand for finance people with high standards of expertise and ethics. Therefore, both potential employers and clients are paying increasing attention to these professional qualifications.

Get certified, get noticed!

The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)

The ACCA is one of the largest and fastest-growing international accountancy bodies. Being around for over 100 years means that ACCA has built a reputation for quality and excellence. All around the world, people in business simply know the ACCA for its high standards of expertise, professionalism and ethics.

The ACCA Qualification

The ACCA Qualification is your route to learning modern finance methods and becoming an ACCA member. It is designed to provide the accounting knowledge, skills and professional values that will deliver finance professionals who are capable of building successful careers across all sectors.

No previous knowledge of accounting or finance is required to start ACCA studies. All you need is the motivation to make the significant investment in time to achieve success.

Study the ACCA
along with
424,000
students worldwide

147,000
members worldwide
mean that wherever
you go, ACCA will get
recognized.

ACCA Qualification

Why choose The ACCA Qualification?

Holding the ACCA Qualification sends a clear message to both your employers and clients – you are committed to the highest standards of service and professional ethics. Therefore, the qualification will help you achieve faster career development, which you will be able to continue anywhere in the world because the ACCA is recognised globally.

Within the ACCA you will learn to understand and master all the processes involved in how a business or financial organisation works. This means that the ACCA is not just for accountants. Members have the knowledge and skill to succeed in other areas such as business consulting, taxation, IT, strategic planning, and general management.

Benefits of your ACCA studies for your employer

Gaining the support of your employer will help you manage your work and studies at the same time and therefore it is important that your employer understands what benefits your studies will bring to the business.

Know-how

- Studying with PwC's Academy means that you will learn from PwC professionals and bring this knowledge into your business.

Retention

- Supporting your studies may motivate you to stay with one employer for extended period of time and it demonstrates that you are committed to developing within the field of finances.

Employer branding

- Potential employees closely look at the support the employers offer. Therefore, supporting the ACCA studies may help your employer attract the most dedicated workers.

Developing skills

- The ACCA means that you will accelerate your learning and, apart from understanding your workflow, you will also gain an overview of the “bigger picture” of the business.

Quality standards

- For the clients, the ACCA means a standard of quality, which when representing your employer, will transfer onto him.

Performance indicator

- Supporting your ACCA studies gives your employer an overview of what areas you are developing in and may help him to fully utilise your potential.

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**Approved Learning Partner - Student Tuition
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Pricewaterhouse Coopers Business Academy
Has been awarded Platinum approval under the Approved Learning Partner - Student Tuition programme in recognition of the excellent quality of tuition provision and support for ACCA students.
Approved until 30 September 2014

Executive Director - Learning & Business Partner


Why study the ACCA with PwC's Academy?

Extensive experience delivering the ACCA across a number of regions has enabled PwC's Academy to develop an effective study programme in response to both the students' needs and the employers' requirements.

Our commitment to the quality of the courses, study materials and student support is demonstrated best by the results of our students.

- Learn from our tutors - PwC professionals with years of practical experience
- Achieve the best results with our unique study programme ACCA Advantage, for which we guarantee that you will pass your exams

- Receive support for your studies from our dedicated and experienced co-ordinators

We consistently achieve pass rates around **20%** higher than the Global average



Our high achievements did not go unnoticed!

PwC's Academy is very pleased to have won two high-level accreditations from the ACCA:

PwC's Academy is awarded the **Platinum Approved Learning Partner** for the ACCA Professional Scheme. Approval is given to tuition providers who demonstrate that they meet the challenging performance targets set by ACCA.

ACCA has also accredited PwC's Academy as an **ACCA CPD Provider** (Continuing Professional Development). This means that all Academy courses contribute CPD points towards the annual target of ACCA members.

Administration of your studies

Getting oriented to the ACCA deadlines, forms and regulations may appear difficult, but our dedicated and experienced ACCA co-ordinators are here to help. Students registering in our courses receive this service for FREE.

Do not forget that, as PwC, we are also an employer monitoring the results of our own trainees. Therefore, we can assist your employer by sending progress reports about you, help to develop internal policy and plan suitable study paths.

Administering your studies means:

- Registering for relevant exams/resits directly with ACCA Glasgow
- Dealing with any queries on exemptions/exam entry issues with ACCA
- Providing advice on e-learning support – testing and Assessments
- Receiving and distributing exam results from ACCA to students
- Registering and providing Computer Based Testing for Academy registered students
- Sending study plans/timetables and joining instructions to students

Leave the paperwork to us!



ACCA Study Options with PwC's Academy

1. Our formula for success - ACCA Advantage

For years we have been listening to the suggestions of our students and tutors, monitoring the experience from Central and Eastern Europe and considering the employers' point of view. The result is the ACCA Advantage – a winning combination of a guided home study and intensive focused block course.

It is designed to give our students the best possible chances of passing all of their examinations on the first attempt. Our results prove that it works.

The night before the exam is for sleeping, not for panicing!

Scheduling study time matters and that is why we give you a study plan and interactive study support to help you prepare outside of the course time. Books are slowly becoming a matter of the past and therefore we will also provide you with electronic versions and an interactive e-learning programme. Audio and video recordings of tutors and interactive tests will help you make your studies more variable.

Even though we emphasise continuous learning, we understand that you will focus your studies especially in the weeks preceding the exam. That is exactly when the block courses will be run and by

the time you sit in the examination room, you will still have all the tutors' tips fresh in your mind.

After the courses, our tutors will make sure you revise efficiently. How? At the end of the course you will sit a mock exam and the tutors will give you detailed feedback on what areas need more focus. You will also receive useful tips and last-minute advice.

It is time to start
passing your
exams!

ACCA Advantage

Below, the progression during the ACCA Advantage study programme is shown. From receiving the books to the final revision, we will guide you every step of the way.

Phase 1 Guided Study Programme	Pre-course study	Receive your Kaplan books and PwC Course Notes Watch recorded lectures via ACCA Online
	Online Progress Tests	Practice questions and check your answers on the Kaplan Engage on-line system
	Assessed Pre-course work	Test your progress on an interim assessment Receive full feedback from an experienced tutor Listen to an audio debrief on the exam technique and how to approach the assessments
Phase 2 Face to Face	Block Intensive Course	Review key theoretical topics from the Guided Study Programme + go through the most difficult parts with the tutor Practice examples, exam questions and ask! Perfect your exam technique with the tutor Sit a mock exam
Phase 3 Focused Revision	Course & Individual Feedback	Receive full mock examination feedback with the tutor's comments
	Final Revision	Get the latest Exam Tips and tutors' advice on how to practice during your last days before the exam



2. ACCA boot camp

Our ACCA boot camp is a one-day, highly intensive training course focused entirely on exam simulation, question practice and 'learning by doing'. Our expert trainers will coach you on exam technique, raising your awareness of mark allocation and "target the easy marks". With an active learning approach, you will see where you make mistakes, get answers to your questions and achieve your ultimate goal: to pass the exam!

3. Evening courses

The evening courses provide full exam preparation spread over a period of 8-12 evenings within one month. During the course you will cover the whole syllabus and only need to do a few homework tasks to keep you on track. The evening courses are run for papers F1, F2 and F3. Now you can study and only need to devote two or three evenings a week.

Our dedicated CBE centre



5. ACCA Live Online Classroom

Study at home with extensive support of a tutor. Attend scheduled classes online, interact with both tutors and other students and benefit from a full set of online materials.

- ACCA Live Online classes scheduled at various times
- Recordings of classes available in your own time
- ACCA Online study materials
- E-learning study programme and progress tests
(This study option is not available for papers F4, F6)

5. Home Study Premium Option

If you prefer to study individually, but want to benefit from the extensive support provided by the Kaplan ACCA Online system, this option combining a wide range of online resources and high quality study materials will be the one for you.

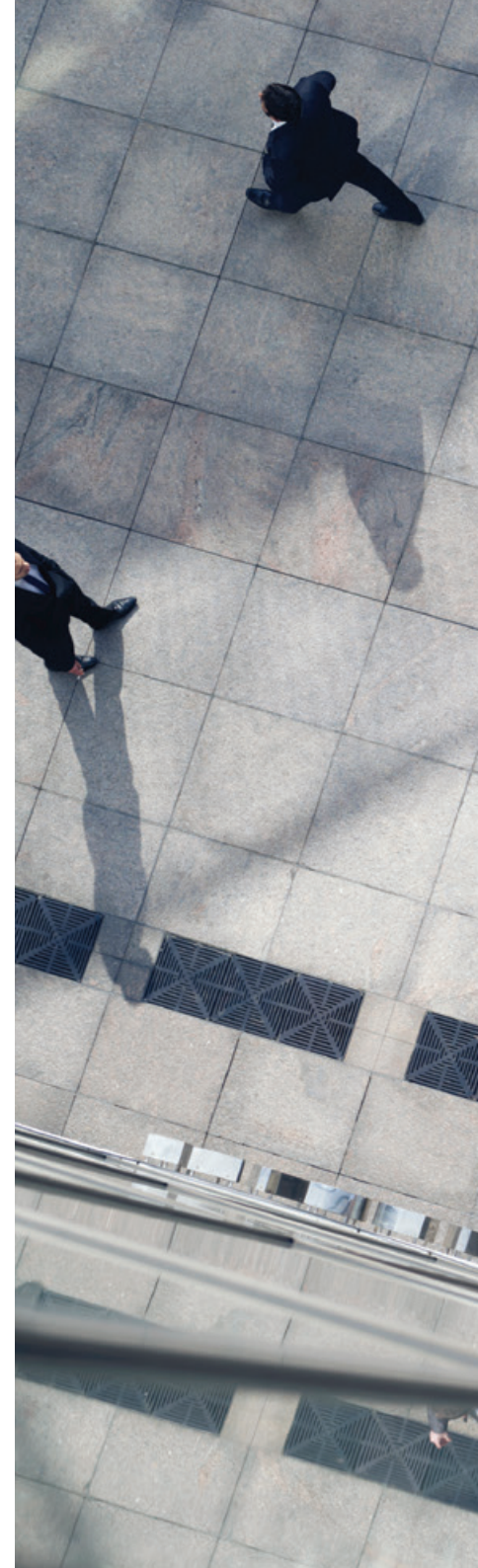
ACCA Online

- Complete Learning Set of materials
- Recommended study plan E-learning study programme and progress tests
- Full progress tests with marking and exam advice
(This study option is not available for papers F4, F6)

6. Home Study Option – materials only

For students who wish to study independently with no further support from The Academy, we can provide full study materials at a generous discount from standard UK prices.

- Complete Learning Set of materials from Kaplan Publishing
- En-gage online study programme and progress tests
(This study option is not available for paper F6)





Your journey to the ACCA Qualification with PwC's Academy

A recommended study plan

Year 1

June session

- F1 Accounting in Business
- F2 Management Accounting
- F3 Financial Accounting

December session

- F4 Corporate and Business Law
- F5 Performance Management

Year 2

June session

- F7 Financial Reporting
- F8 Audit and Assurance

December session

- F6 Taxation

Year 3

June session

- F9 Financial Management

December session

- P1 Governance, Risk & Ethics
- P2 Corporate Reporting

Year 4

June session

- P3 Business Analysis

December session – choose 2 out of 3

- P4 Advanced Financial Management
- P5 Advanced Performance Management
- P7 Advanced Audit and Assurance



ACCA Qualification

During the first year you will start your journey with the Knowledge Module (F1-F3) in the first session, and build on these papers with your first paper-based exams later in the year.

The second year will give you an overview of a number of financerelated topics and in F6 you will gain a deeper understanding of Czech taxes.

During the third year you will finish your Skills Module (F1-F9) and move on to the Professional level by focusing on the ethics and corporate reporting.

In the fourth year you will build on the Skills module and you will decide between specialising in performance management, audit or financial management.

Together with 3 years of relevant work experience and completing the ethics module, the ACCA qualification allows you to become an ACCA member.



ACCA Advantage

ACCA Qualification and membership requirements In order to qualify as an ACCA member, you need to complete 14 examinations (students holding relevant university degrees may be exempted from up to 9 exams), relevant practical work experience, and an Ethics Module.

How long will it take to qualify?

It generally takes 3 to 4 years to complete the examinations, together with the Ethics Module and the relevant 3 years of work experience. It may be possible to finish earlier depending on how many exemptions are granted as the result of your educational background and if you have already accumulated enough work experience.



ACCA Exams

Examinations are held in the first two weeks of June and December every year. Students are permitted to sit a maximum of 4 examinations per session.

The papers – F1 Accountant in Business, F2 Management Accounting, and F3 Financial Accounting – may be sat at any time during the year as Computer-Based Examinations (CBE).

The Academy is an ACCA-Approved Computer Based Examination Centre and therefore you may sit these exams in our premises. With the CBE you will receive your result right after the exam and can resit the exam as often as necessary.



ACCA Exams – Fundamental Level

The Fundamentals level is divided into two modules – Knowledge and Skills.

Knowledge Module

The Knowledge module (F1 – F3) introduces students to the core areas of financial and management accounting. This provides the platform from which the other technical accountancy areas will be studied in greater detail in the Skills module.

Paper F1 Accountant in Business (AB)
Paper F2 Management Accounting (MA)
Paper F3 Financial Accounting (FA)

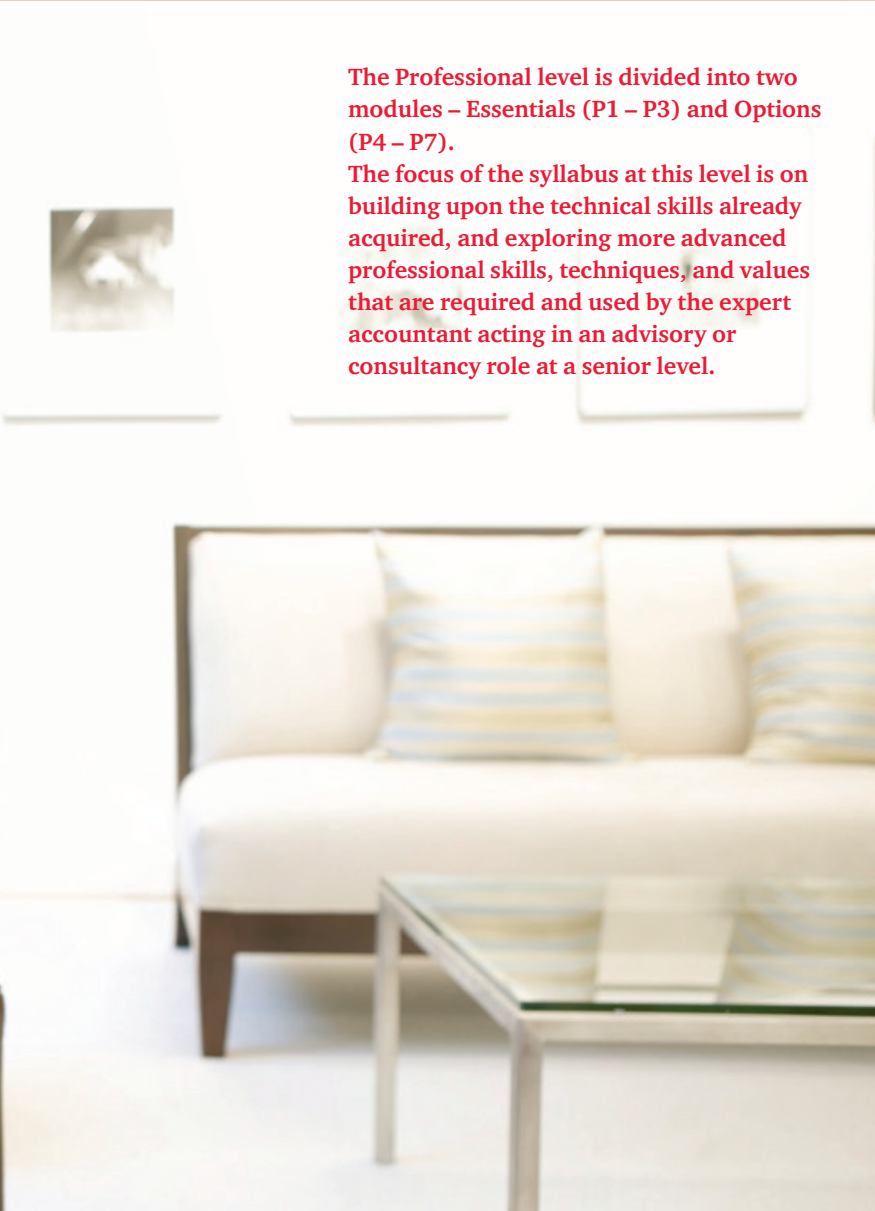
Skills Module

The Skills module (F4 – F9) contains six subjects that comprehensively cover the main technical areas that any accountant – regardless of their future career aspirations – are expected to have mastered.

Paper F4 Corporate and Business Law (CL)
Paper F5 Performance Management (PM)
Paper F6 Taxation Czech (TX)
Paper F7 Financial Reporting (FR)
Paper F8 Audit and Assurance (AA)
Paper F9 Financial Management (FM)



ACCA Exams – Professional Level



The Professional level is divided into two modules – Essentials (P1 – P3) and Options (P4 – P7).

The focus of the syllabus at this level is on building upon the technical skills already acquired, and exploring more advanced professional skills, techniques, and values that are required and used by the expert accountant acting in an advisory or consultancy role at a senior level.

Essentials

All students must complete the three papers in the Essentials module.

- Paper P1 Governance, Risk & Ethics (GRE)
- Paper P2 Corporate Reporting (CR)
- Paper P3 Business Analysis (BA)

Options

The Options module contains four papers. These are directly underpinned and supported by their equivalent within the Skills module in the Fundamentals level. Students select two out of four Option papers and are advised to choose the options that relate to their chosen or anticipated field of work.

- Paper P4 Advanced Financial Management (AFM)
- Paper P5 Advanced Performance Management (APM)
- Paper P7 Advanced Audit and Assurance (AAA)

Professional Ethics Module

Ethics is an integral component of the ACCA qualification, directly appearing in 11 of the 14 examination papers and in all of the essential work experience performance objectives.

Also, before applying for ACCA Membership, the Professional Ethics Module must be completed.

It is an online training course accessible at any computer with an internet connection and its aim is to expose student to a range of ethical perspectives in business.

It is recommended that students complete this module before they sit the paper – P1 Governance, Risk & Ethics. Statistics show that completing this module before the P1 tutorial course greatly increases a student’s understanding of the syllabus and results in higher examination pass rates for all Professional Level examination papers.

More information on the Ethics module can be found at
www.accaglobal.com/students/acca/ethics

Relevant Work Experience

A key component of the ACCA Qualification is gaining relevant practical experience, which consists of a specified set of Practical Experience Requirements (PER). These are closely linked to the exam syllabus to further develop your skills in the workplace.

ACCA students are required to achieve this set of objectives over a 3-year period working in an accounting or finance-related role and record the completion of the PER through the Trainee Development matrix (TDM).

There is no time limit to complete the PER, though it is necessary to complete it before applying for ACCA membership.

You will need to seek your employer’s assistance to gain your PER, so it is useful to choose the right employer to meet your requirements.

**The basis of professionalism?
Knowledge and ethics!**

**Monitoring work experience is a great way to make
your employer notice your development**

Diploma in Accounting and Business

If you are looking for an introductory qualification in accounting and finance, you will find it on the route to the ACCA qualification.

By passing the 3 initial exams of the ACCA qualification and completing the online ethics module you may achieve a Diploma in Accounting in Business, which generally takes 6-12 months to complete.

Having completed the Diploma, you can continue your studies to become a professional accountant and reach the ACCA Qualification.



Linking the ACCA Qualification and the Diploma in Accounting and Business

ACCA Qualification

Knowledge Module

- F1 Accounting in Business
- F2 Management Accounting
- F3 Financial Accounting



Skills Module

- F4 Corporate and Business Law
- F5 Performance Management
- F6 Taxation Czech
- F7 Financial Reporting
- F8 Audit and Assurance
- F9 Financial Management



Professional Ethics Module



Essentials Module

- P1 Governance, Risk & Ethics
- P2 Corporate Reporting
- P3 Business Analysis



Options Module – choosing 2 out of 3

- P4 Advanced Financial Management
- P5 Advanced Performance Management
- P7 Advanced Audit and Assurance

Diploma in Accounting and Business

Foundations in Professionalism Module



How do I register for courses with PwC's Academy?

Find out more and register on PwC's Academy website at www.pwc.cz/academy

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