

# EXAM GUIDE

## CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS (ACA)

**Duration** - 3/3.5 years (Dependent on exemptions based on educational background)

**No. of Exams** – 10.5

Cap 1 law is a 0.5 on demand assessment sat ahead of main exams.

### Exam Structure

- CAP 1 (4 exams + Law)
- CAP 2 (4 exams)
- FAE (1 Core & 1 Elective)

**Flexibility** – Structured and no flexibility to alter sitting.

Exams sat consecutively over one week timeframe.

**Exam sittings** – 2 sittings a year. Summer and Autumn. Summer is firm main sitting with Autumn allowance for resits.

**Exam Support** – Additional house support sessions led by experts.

**Lecture commencement** – Lectures commence in September/ October each year.

## ASSOCIATION OF CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS (ACCA)

**Duration** - 3 years

**No. of Exams** - 13 + EPSM

### Exam Structure –

- Applied Knowledge (3 exams)
- Applied Skills (6 exams)
- Strategic Professional (2 Core exams & 2 Electives)

**Flexibility** – Very flexible. Students do not have to sit an exam at every sitting if circumstances allow. One exam per sitting – dependant on exemptions.

**Exam sittings** – 4 sittings a year available – March, June, September, December. Please note sitting are dependent on busy periods in a department.

**Exam Support** – The firm financially supports courses hosted by external providers led by experts + additional support videos.

**Lecture commencement** - Dependant on exam sitting. Classes would typically commence 12-13 weeks prior to the exam.

## IRISH TAX INSTITUTE (AITI)

**Duration** - 3 years

**No. of Exams** – 12 Exams + 2 PSAs

### Exam Structure

- Part 1 (4 Exams),
- Part 2 (4 exams + 1 Professional Skills Assignment),
- Part 3 (4 Exams + 1 Professional Skills Assignment)

**Flexibility** – Structured and no flexibility to alter sitting.

Exams sat consecutively over one week timeframe.

**Exam sittings** - 2 sittings a year. Summer and Autumn. Summer is firm main sitting with Autumn allowance for resits/late joiners.

**Exam Support** - In-house exam preparation sessions.

**Lecture commencement** - Lectures commence in October each year for the Autumn course.