

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

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.

FAQ'S

1 How does Grant Thornton support your exam success?

- Grant Thornton offers the following to support success;
- Training Progression System (TPS)
- Exam placement bonus; bonus for 1st attempt pass
- Financial support
- Dedicated team available all year around
- Study Support
- Extensive course resources

2 Is Grant Thornton an Approved employer with ACCA?

Grant Thornton is a Platinum Approved Employer.

3 When does the programme start?

Start dates depend on type of course you are enrolled in. Professional Education will send a communication once registrations have opened or commenced depending on the professional body. Although you are staying in October you will be required to attend lectures are most will commence before you start your employment with the firm.

4 Can I get a day off for my graduation?

Yes, you would be entitled to a day off for your graduation ceremony.