ACCOUNTANCY, BANKING AND FINANCE RELATED CAREERS

INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE. FIGURE OUT THE BEST CAREER FIT FOR YOU. DISCOVER YOUR OPTIONS WITH PROSPECTS:


ACCOUNTANCY

Graduates entering this profession who want a recognised qualification should expect to study for professional examinations whilst working.

There are different routes to becoming a qualified accountant. The four major routes to qualifying are:

Chartered Accountants (ACA) – many graduates train with a public practice accountancy firm but it is becoming more common to find training opportunities in both large organisations and public sector organisations. For further information visit The Institute of Chartered Accountants: careers.icaew.com

Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) – can opt to work in any sector and have the opportunity to train and work in a wide variety of organisations from large, multinational companies to small, local businesses. For further information visit The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants: www.accaglobal.com

Chartered Public Finance Accountant (CIPFA) – is responsible for ensuring the effective operation of accounting and financial activities within public sector organisations. Increasingly, numbers are also working in industry and private practice firms. For further information visit: www.cipfa.org

Chartered Management Accountant (CIMA) – tend to work in all types and sizes of industrial, commercial and public sector organisations. For further information visit: www.cimaglobal.com

FURTHER INFORMATION AND VACANCY SOURCES

Accountancy Age: www.accountancyage.com
For information about the profession, plus a jobs board
Inside Careers: www.insidecareers.co.uk
Specialists in niche finance careers
Target Jobs: https://targetjobs.co.uk
Accountancy and Financial Management graduate jobs

www.essex.ac.uk/see/careerhub
BANKING AND INVESTMENT
Find jobs in banking and investment in loads of different business areas. Research occupations using the prospects website:

Roles include:
Retail Banking - financial services provided by high-street banks and building societies for individual customers and small businesses.
Investment Banking - covers the provision of specialised financial services and advice to industrial, commercial and government clients.
Private Banking - specialist banks offering banking, investment and financial services to high net-worth individuals.

BUILDING SOCIETIES, INSURANCE AND ACTUARIAL SERVICES
Main roles include: Insurance Broker, Insurance Claims Handler, Chartered Loss Adjuster, Insurance Underwriter and Pension Scheme Manager/ Pensions Consultant.

Research these roles using the Prospects website:
www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/browse-sector

For further information visit The Chartered Insurance Institute
www.cii.co.uk

Actuaries evaluate, manage and advise on financial risks. For further information visit The Actuary at www.theactuary.com

FURTHER INFORMATION AND VACANCY SOURCES
Financial Times Podcasts:
www.ft.com/management-podcast

The Banker: www.thbanker.com - the latest UK and International banking, finance and business coverage and analysis

The British Bankers’ Association: www.bba.org.uk - includes information on training and qualifications and latest news

The Chartered Banker Institute: www.charteredbanker.com - The Chartered Institute of Bankers in Scotland (CIOBS). Includes information on banking and financial services qualifications

The Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment: www.cisi.org

Association for Financial Markets in Europe: www.afme.eu

London Institute of Banking & Finance: www.libf.ac.uk - a leading provider of financial education

Inside Careers: www.insidecareers.co.uk/professions/banking

The Institute of Asset Management: www.theiam.org - membership organisation offering student members access to collaboration and networking with other professionals

The Investment Association: www.theinvestmentassociation.org - a trade association for the UK investment management industry

SEO London: www.seo-london.org - a charity that provides access for outstanding undergraduates from under-represented communities to secure internships and graduate programmes with leading graduate employers

WikiJob: www.wikijob.co.uk/content/industry/investment-banking/list-investment-banks - list of investment banks

OTHER VACANCY SOURCES
efinancialcareers: www.efinancialcareers.co.uk
CityJobs.com recruitment website: www.cityjobs.com
Bank of England Jobs Pages: www.bankofengland.co.uk/careers
Accountancy Age www.accountancyage.com/jobs
All About Careers www.allaboutfinancecareers.co.uk
The Finance Job www.thefinancejob.com
Top Financial Jobs www.topfinancialjobs.co.uk
Pension Careers www.pensioncareers.co.uk
Insurance Jobs www.insurancejobs.co.uk