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HE Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) is a pioneer for the training of professional accountants in Malaysia and the first local professional body in Malaysia to conduct professional examinations in accountancy.

The first batch of MICPA students registered in 1961 and its first examination was held in 1963.

The institute has always maintained its commitment to the tradition of excellence in education.

The Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
Malaysia qualification commands high
recognition in the market and offers great
career prospects. Its system of education,
training and examination has been well
regarded for its emphasis on thoroughness and quality.

Over the years, the CPA Malaysia qualification has evolved to become a premier business professional qualification.

As Malaysia modernises and becomes a key player in the global business community, it is important for Malaysian professionals to possess qualifications, knowledge and skills that meet international benchmarks.

In this regard, MICPA and The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (ICAA) entered into a partnership aimed at enhancing educational standards in accountancy and to encourage training across borders.

The relationship between ICAA and MICPA started in 1959 when the institute's council recognised the ICAA professional qualification for membership with the institute. Both institutes share a commitment to education and training of professional accountants.

The partnership provides a joint programme based on Recognition, Examination and Membership. The arrangement facilitates the movement of young members within a worldwide alli-

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ance, enabling them to work in other countries to gain wider experience and personal enrichment and also to participate in a global profession after returning to their own countries and enhancing their ability to contribute to economic development.

Students who register for the Revised MICPA Programme will be required to undertake common examinations that comprise five modules - Financial Accounting and Reporting, Management Accounting and Analysis, Audit and Assurance, Taxation, and Ethics and Business Applications.

Upon completion, students will be eligible to be admitted as members of MICPA and ICAA.

A unique feature of the Revised MICPA Programme is the Taxation module, which reflects Malaysian taxation regulations and provides greater relevance for accountants working in Malaysia. Students can undertake the four technical modules in any order and must complete the programme with the final module, Ethics and Business Application.

The assessment process is designed to ensure that potential CPAs and CAs (Chartered Accountants) have gained the knowledge, skills and professional values fundamental in becoming a professional accountant. For each module, students will be assessed on a range of activities. including written projects, compulsory attendance at focus sessions and the final written examination. The MICPA programme provides a unique blend of technical knowledge, communication skills and commercial awareness. It will enhance students' understanding of the function of different types of businesses and the application of professional knowledge. It will also develop their interper-

sonal skills and role as a team player.

To be eligible as a member of MICPA and ICAA, students must:-

 Possess a recognised degree in accountancy or other disciplines accredited by MICPA and ICAA

Complete the Revised MICPA

Programme within the prescribed period

 Obtain at least three years of approved practical experience

Graduates with non-relevant degrees must undergo a conversion course to fulfil the pre-requisite requirements before allowed entry into the Revised MICPA Programme.

All potential CPAs and CAs are also required to obtain not less than three years of practical experience in any one of the technical areas such as accounting, auditing, taxation, insolvency and information technology.

There is no standard model for the work experience to be given to every student. As a general guide, the following categories of experience are fundamental for professional accountants - Accounting, Financial Management, Auditing, Insolvency, Taxation and Information Technology.

Being a CPA gives one an edge in today's challenging global environment. CPAs have an advantage, as their skills are universal. A CPA's training moulds one into a well-rounded business professional who would be prepared for a strategic position in a company as a chief accountant, a chief financial officer or even a chief executive officer.

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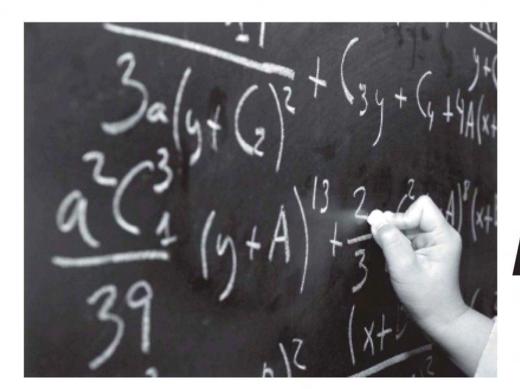
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