

THE MALAYSIAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS  
(INSTITUT AKAUNTAN AWAM BERTAULIAH MALAYSIA)



**PRESS CLIPPING**

PUBLICATION : The Star  
SECTION : StarSpecial Higher Education Guide – Page 2 & 10  
DATE : 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2014  
TITLE :  
1) Professional Accountant of Choice (Article)  
2) The MICPA-ICAA Programme (Advertorial)

# Professional accountant of choice

**I**n a world where a myriad of options are available for just about anything a person could need, the question is always asked – what makes any option better than the rest?

What are the key factors that would make you choose something over the other?

It's the same for accountants who want to take themselves a step further by qualifying as professional accountants – with so many programmes available to them out there, what would make them the professional of choice to employers, not just here in Malaysia, but globally?

Discerning accountants in Malaysia would know that the ultimate goal is to become a technically sound professional with a strong understanding of business in a global context, highly equipped with analytical skills and the ability to apply technical knowledge to any situation and, to top it off, belong to a wide global network of professionals of equal status.

The MICPA-ICAA Programme offers all these and more – being the only Malaysian-grown professional accounting body established since 1958.

The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) has a strong foothold on the inner workings of the Malaysian business landscape and is well-positioned to advise its members on the latest updates from the regulatory bodies or agencies that matter.

The collaboration with the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA) since 2009 further cements the fact that candidates who have completed the programme are granted access to a global network of around 800,000 professionals from 11 premier professional accounting bodies across five continents by means of the Global Accounting Alliance (GAA) passport.

As the MICPA-ICAA Programme is a joint programme, candidates will qualify for two memberships from the two institutes, which in turn



Discerning accountants in Malaysia would know that the ultimate goal is to become a technically sound professional with a strong understanding of business in a global context.

award them with dual qualifications – Certified Public Accountant, Malaysia and Chartered Accountant, Australia – both of which are highly regarded qualifications both in Malaysia and abroad.

Recent developments have seen a merger between ICAA and the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants (NZICA) to form one unified institute across Australia and New Zealand effective April 2014.

This means even wider horizons for MICPA-ICAA candidates who will become part of a bigger body when they graduate from its programme. Choosing the right professional programme will indeed make you the professional accountant of choice.

To give accounting undergraduates a competitive edge, MICPA launched the Students Sponsorship Programme (SSP) with approved training employers (ATEs) in Malaysia.

The SSP gives candidates a headstart in pursuing the MICPA-ICAA Programme as they will complete two out of five modules of the programme in their final year of an accredited four-year Bachelor of Accountancy degree programme, sponsored by the ATE.

The ATE also provides an internship placement for the candidate, and finally a permanent job offer upon graduation.

Candidates can then pursue the

remaining three modules of the programme once they commence full-time employment with the ATE, allowing them to complete the programme earlier than their peers, and can subsequently focus on their career development.

Accounting students from accredited universities who are looking for an internship placement in 2014 and who would like to pursue the MICPA-ICAA Programme can apply for the SSP by sending their CVs to [cv@micpa.com.my](mailto:cv@micpa.com.my).

■ For more details about the MICPA-ICAA Programme, call 03-2698 9622, e-mail [micpa@micpa.com.my](mailto:micpa@micpa.com.my) or log on to [www.micpa.com.my](http://www.micpa.com.my)

## The Professional Accountant of Choice

In a world where a myriad of options are available for just about anything a person could need, the question is always asked – what makes any option better than the rest?

What are the key factors that would make you choose something over the other?

It's the same for accountants who want to take themselves a step further by qualifying themselves as professional accountants – with so many programmes available to them out there, what would make them the professional of choice to employers, not just here in Malaysia, but globally?

Discerning accountants in Malaysia would know that the ultimate goal is to become a technically sound professional with a strong understanding of business in a global context, highly-equipped with analytical skills and the ability to apply technical knowledge to any situation, and to top it off – belong to a wide global network of professionals of equal status.

The MICPA-ICAA Programme offers all these and more – being the only Malaysian-grown professional accounting body established since 1958,

The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) has a strong foothold on the inner workings of the Malaysian business landscape and is well-positioned to advise their members on the latest updates from the regulatory bodies or agencies that matter.

The collaboration with the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA) since 2009 further cements the fact that candidates who have completed the Programme are granted access to a global network of around 800,000 professionals from 11 premier professional accounting bodies across 5 continents by means of the Global Accounting Alliance (GAA) passport.

As the MICPA-ICAA Programme is a joint programme, candidates will qualify for 2 memberships from the 2 Institutes, which in turn award them with dual qualifications – Certified Public Accountant, Malaysia and Chartered Accountant, Australia – both of which are highly-regarded qualifications both in Malaysia and abroad.

Recent developments have seen a merger between ICAA and the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants (NZICA) to form one unified Institute across Australia and New Zealand effective April 2014.

This means even wider horizons for MICPA-ICAA candidates who will become part of a bigger body when they graduate from our Programme. Choosing the right professional programme will indeed make you the professional accountant of choice.

To give accounting undergraduates a competitive edge, MICPA launched the Students Sponsorship Programme (SSP) with approved training employers (ATEs) in Malaysia.

The SSP gives candidates a headstart in pursuing the MICPA-ICAA Programme as they will complete 2 out of 5 modules of the Programme in their final year of an accredited 4-year Bachelor of Accountancy degree programme, sponsored by the ATE.

The ATE also provides an internship placement for the candidate, and finally a permanent job offer upon graduation.

Candidates can then pursue the remaining 3 modules of the Programme once they commence full-time employment with the ATE, allowing them to complete the Programme earlier than their peers, and can subsequently focus on their career development.

Accounting students from accredited universities who are looking for an internship placement in 2014 and would like to pursue the MICPA-ICAA Programme can apply for the SSP by sending their CVs to [cv@micpa.com.my](mailto:cv@micpa.com.my).

**For more details about the MICPA-ICAA Programme:**

Call +603-2698 9622

Email: [micpa@micpa.com.my](mailto:micpa@micpa.com.my) or visit: [www.micpa.com.my](http://www.micpa.com.my)

Get a headstart  
in your Accounting  
profession with the  
MICPA-ICAA  
Programme

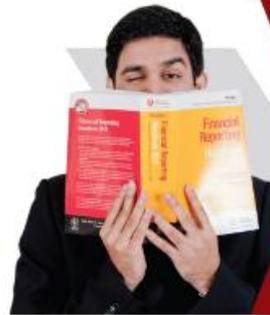


Begin your professional  
journey in your 4th year with  
the Students Sponsorship  
Programme (SSP):

- › Get an internship placement
- › Complete 2 out of 5 programme modules during internship
- › Secure a job offer



1 Examination  
=  
2 Qualifications  
& Memberships  
*CPA (M) & CA (Aust.)*  
+  
∞ Opportunities



Make the right move.  
Talk to us to find out more!

