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The fact that the Micpa-CAANZ Programme allowed self-study with guidance through online learning videos and online materials made it a attractive option. Upon completion of the programme, the opportunity to apply for dual memberships was also appealing.

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He advises aspiring accountants to be proud of their career choice as businesses are constantly seeking out strong young talent.

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■ For more information on the Micpa-CAANZ Programme, call the marketing department at 03-2698 9622, email info@micpa.com.my or visit www.micpa.com.my

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