

# Advanced Stage EXAMINATION

**MICPA**  
MALAYSIA



CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS™  
AUSTRALIA + NEW ZEALAND



**“Our education curriculum covers international standards, business finance and strategies”.**

## WHY MICPA?

There is so much more to being an accountant – it’s about becoming a professional, equipped with knowledge, skills and values, upholding ethics and possessing the right attitudes necessary to succeed in the profession. Being a professional accountant sets you apart as one who leads, innovates, value-adds, conducts oneself with absolute integrity and is a reliable source of knowledge and advice.

The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) is a premier professional accounting body that will prepare you for the new world of business. Our education curriculum covers international standards, business finance and strategies which will equip you with the knowledge and understanding of the international nature of business. A career in accounting is indeed a rewarding one – one with no boundaries or limitations, and MICPA provides you with the keys to broadening your horizons as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and a Chartered Accountant (CA).

### **MICPA gives you:**

- **Dual membership – MICPA & CA ANZ**
- **Pathway to become part of a global network of accounting professionals**
- **Access to the Global Accounting Alliance (GAA)**
- **Strong technical support & representation**



## MICPA-CAANZ PROGRAMME

MICPA has been developing professional accountants in Malaysia through its professional examinations since 1963.

In 2009, MICPA entered into an agreement with the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA), sealing a new era of professional ties providing for mutual advanced entry for candidates into both of the accountancy bodies' professional examinations.

In 2014, we saw the amalgamation between ICAA and the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants (NZICA) which led to the establishment

of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ). Now, graduates of the MICPA-CAANZ Programme will obtain 2 professional qualifications – Certified Public Accountant (Malaysia) and Chartered Accountant (ANZ).

Candidates are required to complete five (5) modules covering concepts and principles underpinning accounting in all its disciplines. The modules and examinations are identical to that offered by CA ANZ in Australia and New Zealand with the exception of the Taxation module which has been adapted to Malaysian taxation regulations to provide greater relevance for careers in Malaysia.

The MICPA-CAANZ Programme couples theoretical knowledge with 3 years of relevant practical experience overseen by a mentor with an Approved Training Employer. The practical experience will build upon a candidate's academic excellence by providing candidates with an avenue to apply the theoretical knowledge to real-life cases whilst developing professional skills and values relevant to the candidate's specific job. Upon fulfilling MICPA membership requirements, candidates will qualify for full MICPA and CA ANZ memberships.

# MICPA-CAANZ PROGRAMME ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To be admitted into the Advanced Stage Examination of the MICPA-CAANZ Programme, candidates must:

- Possess a degree in Accounting or other disciplines accredited by MICPA or CA ANZ.
- Be employed by an approved training employer in a relevant field of work.

Graduates with non-relevant degrees must undergo a conversion course to fulfill the pre-requisite requirements before admission to the Advanced Stage Examination

# FRAMEWORK OF ASSESSMENT

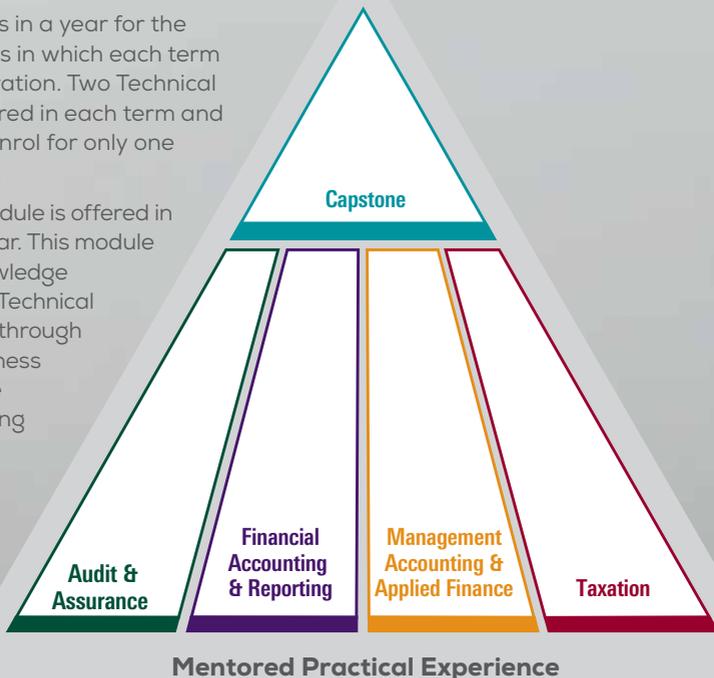
The Programme is structured to cultivate the attributes of a successful professional accountant in a holistic manner. Assessment methods such as online assessments, focus sessions and open-book examinations test a candidate's ability to apply technical knowledge to real-life business case studies.

## MICPA-CAANZ PROGRAMME MODULES

There are 5 modules in the Programme. Candidates can undertake the 4 Technical Modules in any order and must complete the Programme with the final Capstone Module.

There are 3 terms in a year for the Technical Modules in which each term is 12 weeks in duration. Two Technical Modules are offered in each term and candidates can enrol for only one module per term.

The Capstone Module is offered in all 3 terms per year. This module incorporates knowledge gained from all 4 Technical Modules, applied through a real-world business case study to give candidates a strong understanding of overall business strategy and management.



## APPROVED PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

All candidates are required to obtain employment with an Approved Training Employer (ATE). An ATE can be an accounting firm or a commercial organisation that has been approved by MICPA or CA ANZ. The mentorship and support provided by an ATE contributes greatly to the success of MICPA's candidates. Under the Programme, each candidate is assigned a Training Supervisor who is responsible for reviewing his/her progress and has an influence on his/her training and development within the firm or organisation. A candidate's programme fees are also sponsored by the ATE.

## QUALIFY AS A MICPA AND CA ANZ MEMBER

To be admitted as a MICPA and CA ANZ member, candidates must fulfill the following pre-requisites:

- Complete the Advanced Stage Examination of the MICPA-CAANZ Programme.
- Obtain a minimum of 3 years' relevant practical experience with an Approved Training Employer.



**Bachelor of Accounting Degree from Accredited Universities**

**MICPA-CAANZ Programme**

**3 years approved practical experience**

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# SEE WHAT THESE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SAY ABOUT THE MICPA-CAANZ PROGRAMME



**Ajrrina Annuar**

Corporate Finance Executive in a National Oil & Gas Company

MICPA-CAANZ Programme Gold Medal winner

**"The MICPA-CAANZ Programme is uniquely structured in such a way to suit working adults as there is no burdensome classroom commitment and yet the tutors are just a click away. Assessment methods allow the students to marry theoretical knowledge with practical experience."**



**Che Shiau Wen**

Audit Senior in a Global Accounting Network Firm

MICPA-CAANZ Programme Gold Medal Winner for AAA Module

World Top Scorer for MAA Module

**"I chose the MICPA-CAANZ Programme because of its benefits and flexibility. The dual membership gives me an edge over the rest in the job market leading to brighter prospects in achieving career fulfilment and financial rewards."**



**Tee G-Mun**

Audit Senior in a Global Accounting Network Firm

**"The MICPA-CAANZ Programme caters to local requirements and addresses international needs. The course structure has helped me learn how to think out of the box in problem-solving and to always look for alternative solutions."**



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## ABOUT MICPA

The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) has been a pioneer in the training of professional accountants in Malaysia since its incorporation in 1958 and is the only local professional body in Malaysia conducting professional examinations in accounting. As an International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) member, MICPA's education standards meet and exceed the highest international education standards for professional accounting programmes.

## ABOUT CA ANZ

Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand is made up of over 100,000 diverse, talented and financially astute professionals who utilise their skills every day to make a difference for businesses the world over.

Members of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand and are known for professional integrity, principled judgment and financial discipline, and a forward-looking approach to business.

We focus on the education and lifelong learning of members, and engage in advocacy and thought leadership in areas that impact the economy and domestic and international capital markets.

We are represented on the Board of the International Federation of Accountants, and are connected globally through the 800,000 strong Global Accounting Alliance, and Chartered Accountants Worldwide, which brings together leading Institutes in Australia, England and Wales, Ireland, New Zealand, Scotland and South Africa to support and promote over 320,000 Chartered Accountants in more than 180 countries.



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