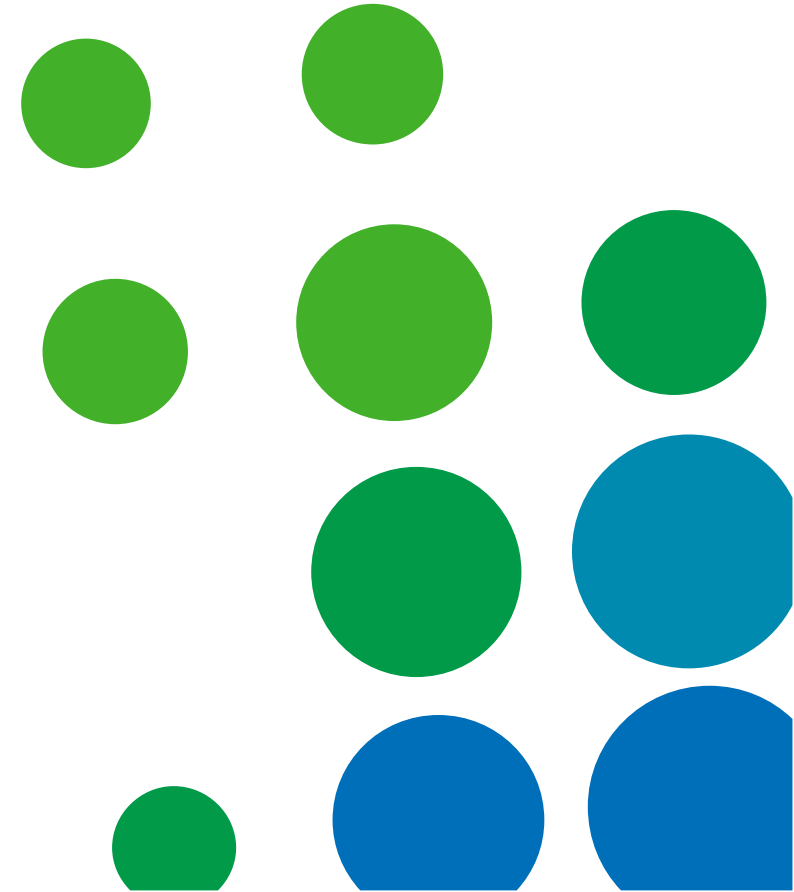


CPA Alberta Information Session

Presented by CPA Student Recruitment & Employer Relations Team

CPA Alberta acknowledges that we reside and serve on the traditional and ancestral territories of many Indigenous, First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples.



Agenda

- What is CPA Alberta
- What is the difference between a CPA and an accountant
- Benefits of having the CPA designation
- Where do CPAs work
- The path to becoming a CPA
- Support for CPAs and candidates
- Q&A

What is CPA Alberta?

As part of the CPA profession in Canada with over **217,000** members, CPA Alberta is the professional organization for more than **30,000** designated accountants across the province.

It is our mission to **protect the public interest** by educating and regulating the competency and ethical standards of our members.

CPAs v. Accountants

CPAs are more qualified than accountants.

All CPAs are accountants, but not all accountants are CPAs.

The CPA difference

- Education
- Continuous Professional Development
- Recognition
- Integrity and ethics
- Earnings

Why CPA?

- Follow Your Passion
- Acquire a Powerful Skillset
- Be in Demand, Become Invaluable
- Pursue Endless Opportunities
- Work Anywhere in the World
- Make a Positive Difference



"A CPA brings a grounded, very rational perspective to decision making that's critical. The ability to understand numbers, cash, and the role of effective governance and fiscal management—all of those things are fundamental for an organization."

Pedro Carriel CPA, CMA



Where do CPAs Work?



LIFE AT A FIRM

Jackie Kirk CPA, CA
Director, PwC Cayman
Islands

MNP

KPMG

BDO

RSM

KRP | KINGSTON
ROSS
PASNAK^{LLP}
CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS

Deloitte.

 **Crowe**



EY

 **Grant Thornton**


pwc

 **CPA** CHARTERED
PROFESSIONAL
ACCOUNTANTS
ALBERTA

LAND YOUR DREAM JOB



Javed Sommers CPA,
CMA
Field Manager,
Indigenous Services
Canada



Alberta



Canada




Indigenous Services
Canada

Services aux
Autochtones Canada



Calgary Board
of Education

CREATIVITY + FINANCIAL KNOW-HOW



Janet Hamley CPA,
CMA
COO and Co-
Executive Producer,
Prairie Dog Film +
Television



OILERS ENTERTAINMENT GROUP



PRAIRIE DOG
FILM+TELEVISION



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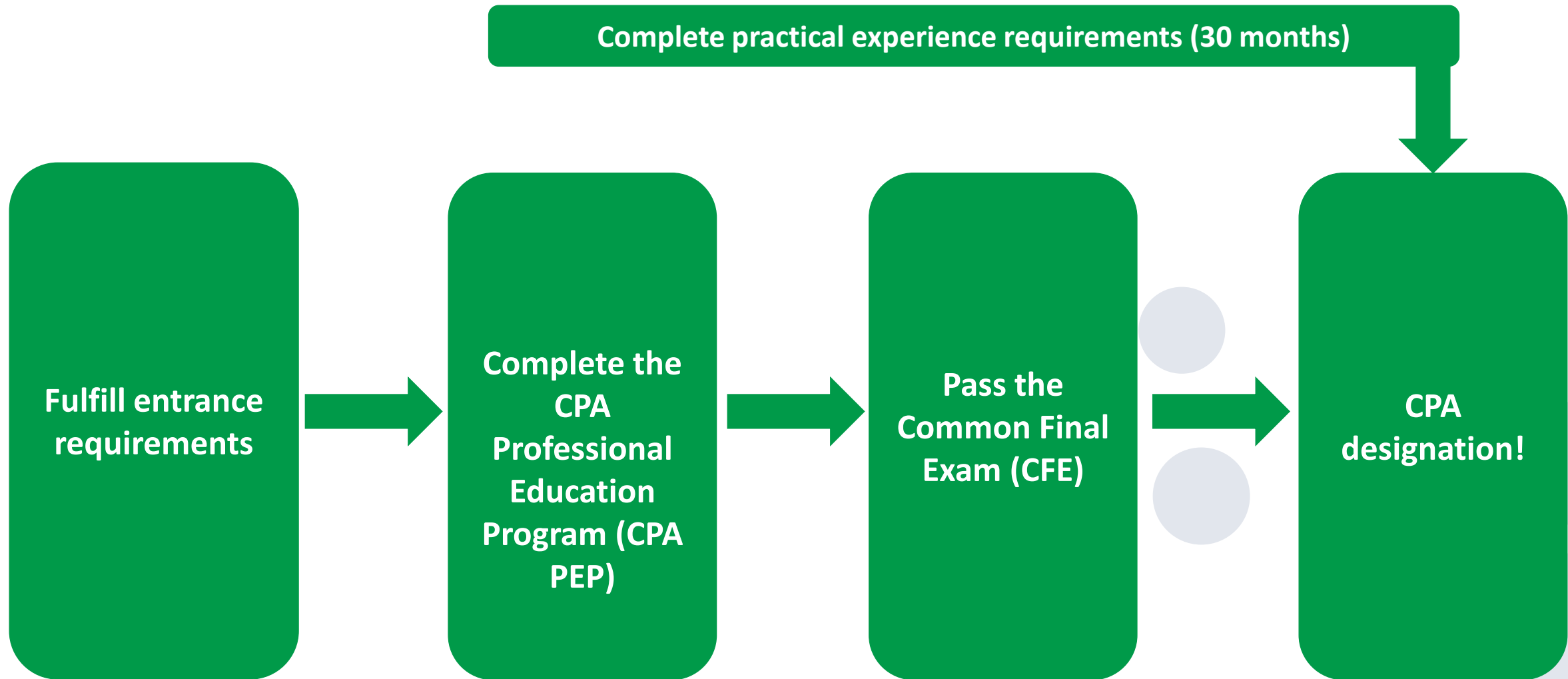
BE YOUR OWN BOSS

Gavin Fedorak CPA,
CA
CEO and Co-owner
Press'd Sandwich
Company



How do I become a CPA?





Entrance Requirements

- At least an undergraduate degree in any area of study (120-credit hours of post-secondary education)
- Transcript assessment
- Non-core and core prerequisite courses

[Transfer Credit Guide:](#)



Core and Non-Core Prerequisite Courses

Non-Core Courses	Core Courses
Intro Financial Accounting	Intermediate Financial Reporting 1
Intro Management Accounting	Intermediate Financial Reporting 2
Economics	Advanced Financial Reporting
Statistics	Corporate Finance
Business Law	Audit and Assurance
	Taxation
	Intermediate Management Accounting
	Performance Management
	Information Technology

Application Process

Create a profile at: my.cpawsb.ca

Request transcript assessment and pay the fee (\$100.00)

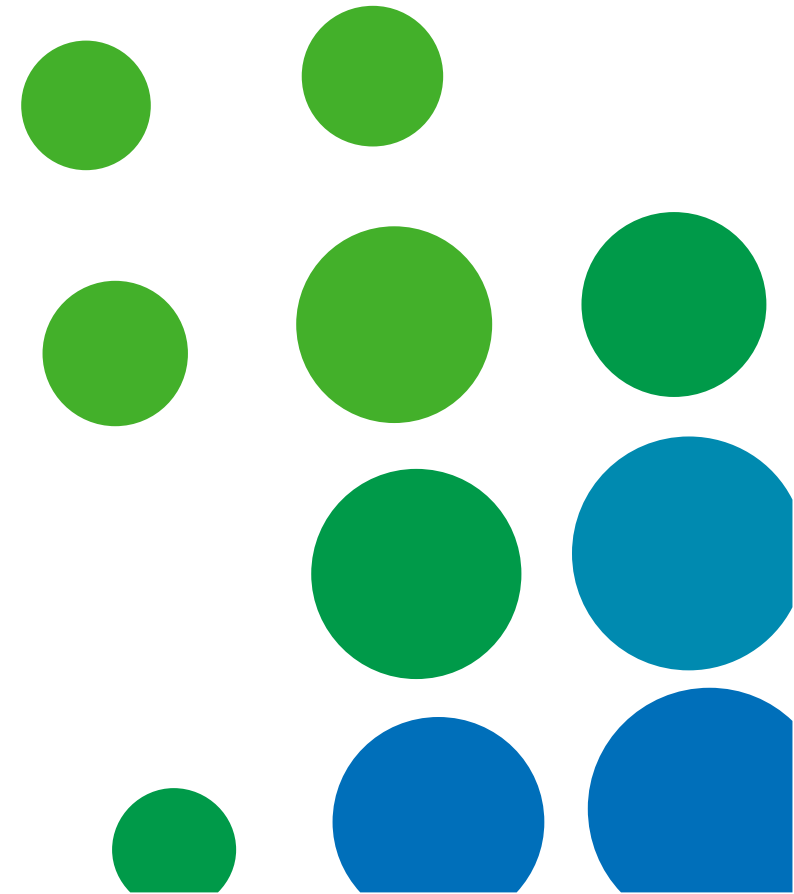
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After all documents are received, assessment is completed within 10 business days approximately

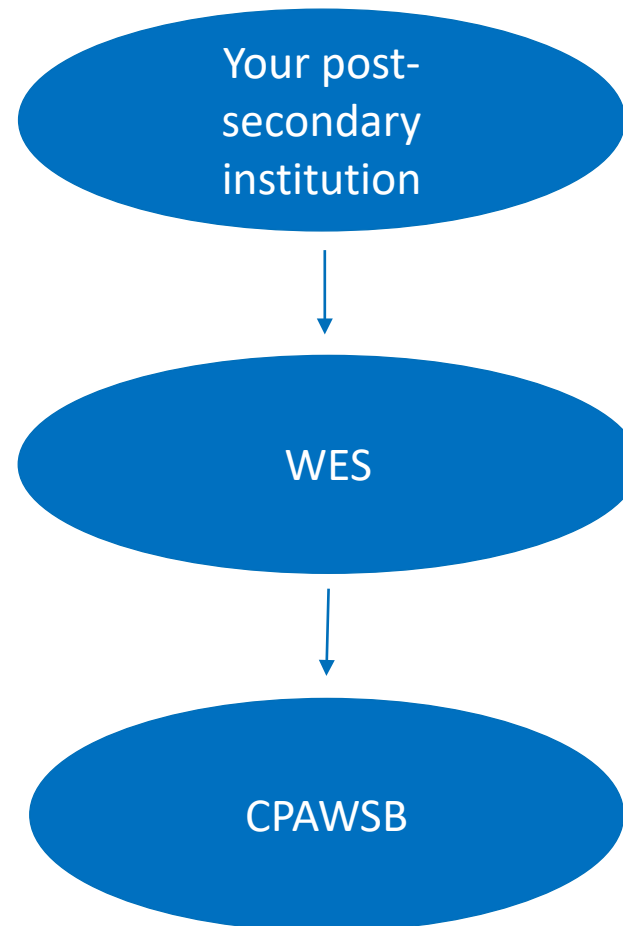
Transcript assessment is valid for 1 year

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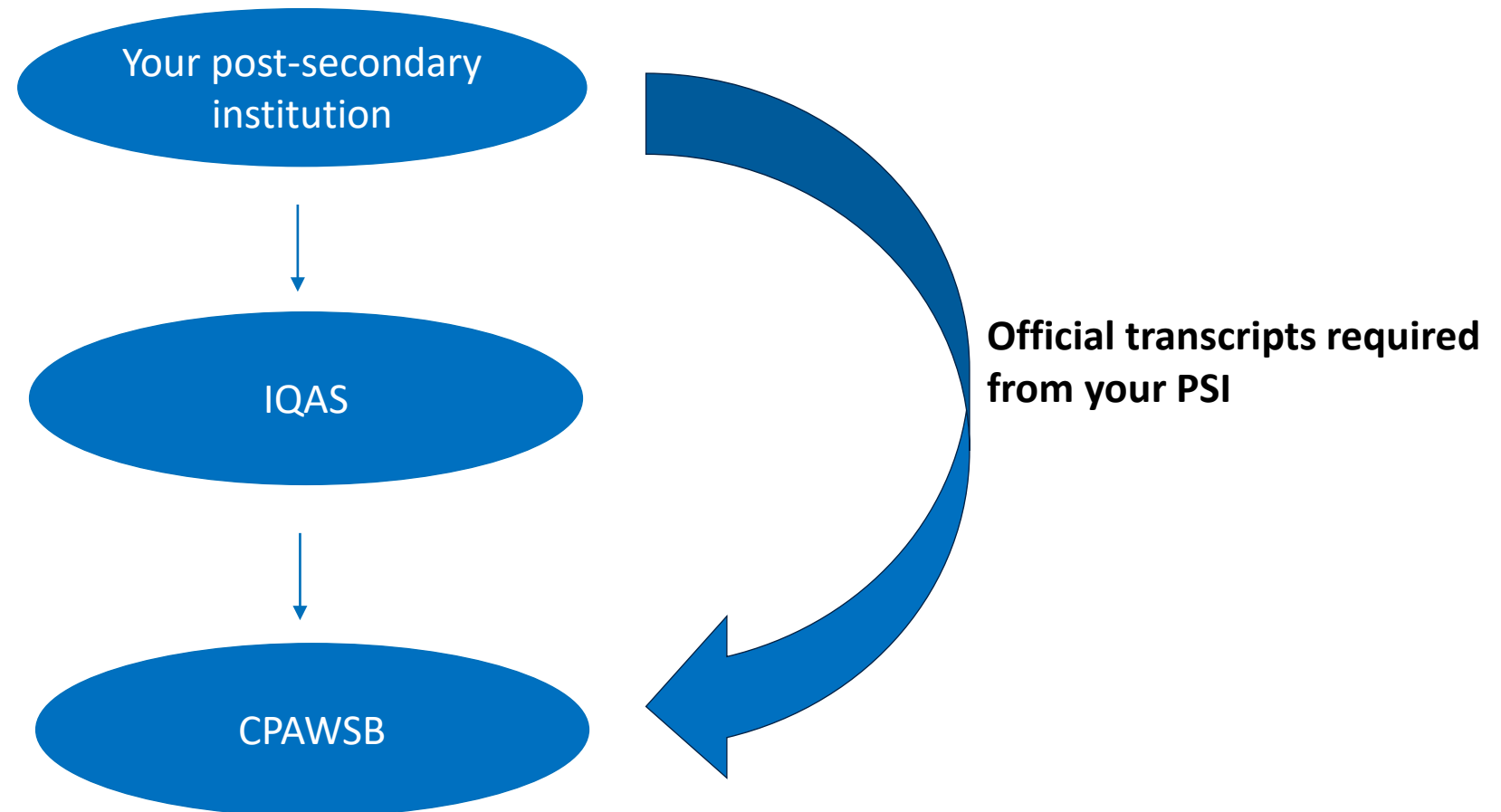
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 1. World Education Services (WES)
 2. International Qualifications Service (IQAS)
 3. etc.
- 2. By the CPA Western School of Business*



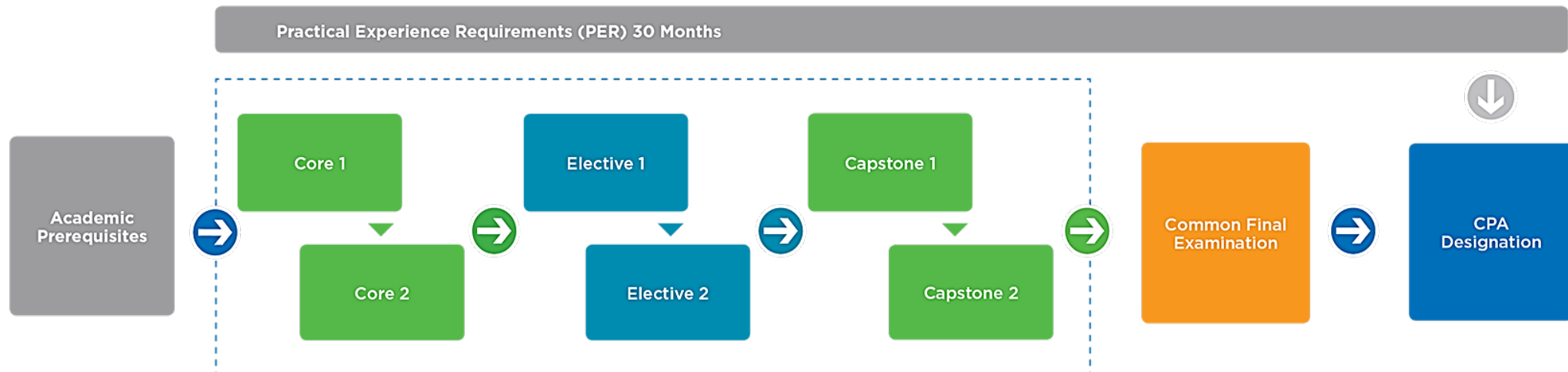
The WES International Credential Advantage Package (WES ICAP)



Other Assessments



CPA Professional Education Program (CPA PEP)



Education Modules

CORE 1 & 2

Six integrated core competency areas:

- Financial Reporting
- Strategy and Governance
- Management Accounting
- Audit and Assurance
- Finance
- Taxation

Education Modules

ELECTIVE 1 & 2

Choose two elective modules:

Assurance

Tax

Performance Management

Finance

Education Modules

CAPSTONE 1 & 2

Integrative Module

A lot of teamwork
Hone your presentation skills

Evaluation Preparation

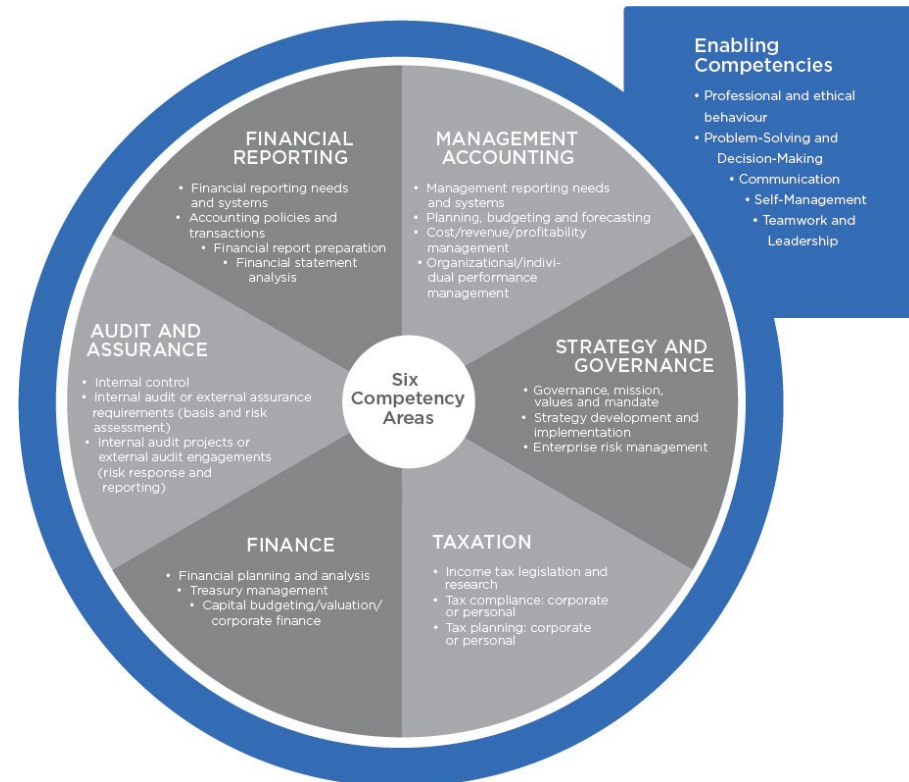
Apply the competencies you have acquired through the CPA program to real life case studies

Common Final Exam (CFE)



Practical Experience

- 30 months of paid qualifying experience required to get a CPA designation
- Show progressive responsibility
- Demonstrate adequate technical competency development
- Record experience in PERT



PPR and EVR

Pre-Approved Program Route (PPR)	Experience Verification Route (EVR)
Structured to meet all Practical Experience requirements after 30 months	Candidate is responsible for ensuring requirements are met
Streamlined experience reporting	More detailed reporting required

CPA PEP Fees

CPA PEP

Core 1, Core 2 and Electives → \$1,320 each

Capstone 1 and Capstone 2 → \$1,320 each

Common Final Examination (CFE) Fee all days → \$1,750

Initial Registration Fee → \$450

Annual Candidates Dues 2023-2024 → \$1,070

Services/resources for CPAs and candidates

Career Services

Job search
strategies

Resume
review

Interview
coaching

Career
mapping

Social media
support

Networking
&
mentorship
opportunities

On-the-job
support

Job board



MEET YOUR EMPLOYER



CALGARY
September 15

EDMONTON
September 19

LETHBRIDGE
September 21

Upcoming Events

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Book an advising session:



Mutual Recognition Agreements (MRAs)

Active MRAs

- Instituto Mexicano de Contadores Publicos (IMCP)
- American Institute Certified Public Accountants (limited states)

Expired MRAs

- Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)
- Certified Public Accountants of Australia
- Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)
- Certified Public Accountants of Ireland

Reciprocal Membership Agreements (RMAs)

- Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of Australia and New Zealand
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ireland
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland
- The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- The South African Institute of Chartered Accountants
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of Zimbabwe

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

- Institute of Chartered Accountants of India
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan