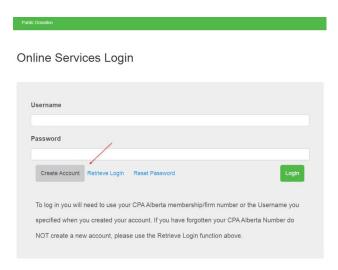
Pre-Assessment Questionnaire (PAQ) Process

Please follow the steps below to ensure your pre-assessment questionnaire is submitted successfully.

Step 1 - Create a Profile

In order to complete the pre-assessment process, you are required to create a record in our system. You may do that <u>here</u>. Select "Create Account" and enter in your information. You will be required to enter in a username and password.

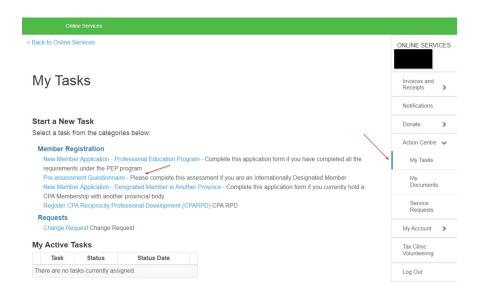
Once you have created an account you will receive an email with an activation code so you can activate your account.



Step 2 - Complete PAQ Online

Once your account is activated, in the portal select Action Centre>My Tasks. Click on "Pre-assessment Questionnaire", complete all fields with an * and submit. The PAQ will require the following information:

- Section 1 Personal information and citizenship status:
- Section 2 Pre-designation international employment please identify the country where you worked in the accounting profession, and the number of years of your worked immediately prior to being admitted into membership;
- Section 3 Post Secondary Education list any post-secondary education you have (degrees, diplomas, etc);
- Section 4 Professional Memberships list all of your Professional Accounting Memberships (all questions in this section are mandatory);
- Section 5 Work Experience, list all of your work experience in any accounting-related field beginning with the most recent;
- Upload a detailed copy of your resume.



Step 3 - Provide Legal Documents

Provide evidence of Canadian citizenship or proof of your ability to lawfully work in Canada (ie: Canadian passport, birth certificate, citizenship card or certificate, driver's license, permanent resident card, or work permit) by emailing registrations@cpaalberta.ca with the subject "PAQ Submission – Your Name".

Step 4 - Request for Certification of Membership

While your PAQ is being reviewed, please request a membership verification letter from your accounting body and request that they have it sent directly to CPA Alberta, 800-444 7 Ave SW Calgary AB T2P 0X8 Attn Member Registrations or emailed directly to us at registrations@cpaalberta.ca. Please do not upload your personal copy of the verification documentation to your file.

The verification letter must state the following:

- When you received your designation;
- You did not receive your CPA Ireland designation by virtue of a third-party agreement CPA Ireland has with any other accounting bodies;
- You have not had or have had a history of discipline in the last 5 years;
- No outstanding discipline or complaints.

Step 5 - Request an Evaluation of University Transcripts

Request an evaluation of your university transcripts by International Qualifications Assessment Service, or World Education Services to ensure Canadian degree equivalency and request the results be sent directly to CPA Alberta at the address noted in Step 3 or emailed to registrations@cpaalberta.ca. The Bachelor of Science in Applied Accounting from Oxford Brookes University is a recognized degree. If you hold this degree, we will require official transcripts to be sent from Oxford Brookes University to CPA Alberta Attn: Member Registrations. Note: CPA Ireland program cannot be used as a degree equivalent. Please do not upload a personal copy of your degree assessment to your file.

Step 6 - Results and Next Steps

After you have submitted a complete PAQ, you will be sent the results within 5 - 10 business days (volume dependent). Based on the results, if you are eligible and wish to proceed with an application, it will be made available to you through the online portal. All information submitted as part of the pre-

assessment will form part of your application. In addition, the following are required to form a complete application:

- Completion of the CPA Reciprocity Professional Development (CPARPD) course. Once you have decided to make application, the registration form for the course will be sent to you. When completed, please submit the certificate of completion to CPA Alberta at registrations@cpaalberta.ca.
- Online submission of a complete application form that has been notarized by a notary public or commissioner of oaths.
- Payment of the prescribed fees. This includes the one-time Application Fee, plus your prorated Annual Member Fee. For information on the CPA Alberta Fee Schedule, please click here.
- Provide additional evidence as requested and satisfactory to the Registrar.

Once we have received a **complete** application and related documents and the Registrar has reviewed your application, you will receive an email notifying you of the outcome.