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CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS ALBERTA The Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) designation will secure the future you want. CPAs use their unique leadership, data analytics, and finance skills to impact all organizations and to become the type of professional they want to be.

### WHAT IS



This brochure was funded by the CPA Education Foundation and generous Alberta CPAs who donated to the Stepping Up initiative. No matter the mark you want to make on the world, a CPA can help you get there. From taking the reins of a large company to reining in fraud, from making a difference in the world to making sense of mountains of data, the CPA designation will let you be who you want to be!

UTURE?



### THE TECH

Uses analytical, financial, and technical skills to help the businesses of the future succeed

**Jason Ding** CPA, CA Corporate Finance Leader and National Biotechnology Leader for Deloitte Edmonton



### THE DIFFERENCE

Employs strategic and accounting skills to make a difference to worthy causes that impact the lives of thousands

Faith Bacolod CPA

Director, Finance and Administration for Muscular Dystrophy Canada



BUSINESS MASTER-

Leverages accounting background to lead multi-national companies to new heights

**Richard (Dick) Haskayne** FCPA, FCA Pillar of the Business Community . .



THE

CREA

Takes experience and knowledge gained through their CPA and starts an innovative new business

> **Lorna Mutegyeki** CPA, CGA Founder/owner of conscientious fashion house Msichana Inc.

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## THE COMMUNIT

DER

Inspires and positively influences others for the betterment of all

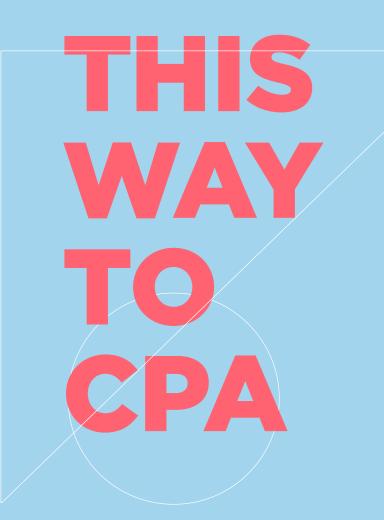
**Robert Andrews** CPA, CMA Executive Director of the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta



### THE RISING S

Gets a head start on becoming a force in the business world and their community

**Janine Rogan** CPA Financial Solutions Consultant



### WHY SHOULD YOU BECOME A CPA?



### Be in Demand - Now and in the Future

CPAs have the skills and expertise that organizations need to succeed—today and in the future. Because earning your CPA combines business and finance fundamentals with important evolving skill sets like data analytics and new technologies like artificial intelligence, your expertise will always be valued.



### **Be Rewarded and Respected**

CPAs have an exceptional reputation for their knowledge and integrity, and are part of an exclusive, regulated profession. That means there will always be plenty of career options, above-average salaries, and a path to rise to the top of organizations.

### **Be Able to Work Anywhere**

The Canadian CPA designation is recognized around the world. In fact, over a thousand Alberta CPAs work outside of the country, including in the United States, Europe, Australia, the Caribbean, and more!

### Step 1

Obtain a degree (in any discipline) and complete your required courses. An undergraduate accounting degree typically covers all required courses. But, don't worryeven if you haven't completed all of the courses, they are easy to take through a variety of institutions.

### Step 2

**Complete the CPA Professional Education Program** (CPA PEP) while working. The two-year graduate-level CPA PEP adds to your technical skills (like assurance, finance, and data analytics) and professional skills (think teamwork, problem solving, and communication). And, you'll gain valuable experience (and be paid) while completing your practical experience requirements in an organization of your choice, including private or public companies, accounting firms, government, or not-for-profits.

### Step 3

Pass the Common Final Examination (CFE). Prove you have what it takes by successfully challenging the rigorous multi-day examination that lets the world know you are ready to be who you want to be!

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### A CPA DESIG-NATION WILL GET YOU THERE!

