

What's Next?

Accounting

Bachelor of Business (Honours)
in Accounting

Achieving your degree means you have knowledge and expertise in accounting and developed a range of skills that are valued in all sectors. You may decide to pursue a professional accountancy qualification, which you can undertake in industry or in a professional firm. Alternatively, you may decide to develop your career by building on your degree and you may seek opportunities in all size and types of organisations, including the public sector.



Transferable Skills

- Communication
- Advanced numeracy skills
- Analytical ability
- Attention to detail
- Commercially aware
- Professionalism
- Problem solving
- IT and digital skills



Degree-specific Skills

- Accounting theory and techniques
- Cost and management accounting
- Preparation of financial statements
- Company law and regulations
- Problem solving accounting and business
- Consumer ethics and social responsibility
- Business growth and profitability

Core Skills

Career Options



A degree in Accounting will establish a strong foundation for understanding commercial enterprise and business ethics, as well as providing the ability to partake in key business functions. It will particularly equip you with excellent numeracy skills, allowing you to understand and effectively use financial data.

Check out the jobs page and follow the Careers Service on social media for the heads-up on full-time and part-time jobs!

<http://www.mycit.ie/careers>

- Management Accountant
- Chartered Accountant
- Investment Fund Manager
- Insurance Risk Assessor
- Auditor
- Budget Analyst
- Credit Controller
- Financial Consultant
- Tax Advisor

Employers



Main sectors that employ graduates —

“Big 4” accountancy firms such as PwC, KPMG, EY and Deloitte.

Industry including Apple, Dell, EMC, Dairygold, Kerry Group, Quintas, Musgrave Group, Southern Western Services (SWS), Financial Control Outsourcing Services.

Banking and Investment including J.P. Morgan, Goldman Sachs, Bank of Ireland Asset Management, Morgan Stanley, Barclays.

Insurance and Risk Management including VHI, Zurich Insurance, FBD, Hibernian Aviva, AXA Insurance, Canada Life.

Project Management including Mercer, Accenture, McKinsey & Company, PwC.

Where are CIT graduates working?



Company

Financial Services Ombudsman
Grant Thornton
Deloitte
Quintas Partners
TRIDENT SAFETY GROUP
Marinochem Ltd
Statkraft Ireland Ltd
Vmware
EY
Roberts Nathan
EBS
Clearstream

Job Role

Executive officer
Trainee Tax Accountant
Internal Auditor
Trainee Accountant
Finance Manager
Accounts Manager
Assistant Management Accountant
Revenue Analyst
Assistan in Audit
Audit Junior
Bank Manager
Financial Adviser

Professional Groups & Associations



Professional accountancy bodies confer professional qualifications and provide the route to becoming a qualified accountant. As a CIT graduate, you will qualify for a certain number of exemptions given what you have already covered in your degree. Contact each body to check the exemptions available for their qualification.

Membership of a professional association is a useful way to meet new people in your field and if you do qualify as an accountant, will be mandatory to fulfil annual CPD requirements. Membership also looks good on your CV. Many professional bodies have jobs boards and these roles may not be advertised elsewhere. Relevant professional bodies include:

- The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland (ICAI): www.charteredaccountants.ie
- The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA): www.acca.ie and www.accaglobal.com
- The Institute of Certified Public Accountants in Ireland (CPA): www.cpaireland.ie
- The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA): www.cimaglobal.com
- The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW): www.icaew.com
- The Irish Tax Institute: www.taxinstitute.ie
- Insurance Institute of Ireland: www.iii.ie



Starting Your Job Search

Job search takes focus, effort and commitment. It's essential that you create a strong online presence. You need to have a LinkedIn profile and work at building your network. If you blog or have a website, be sure to include links in LinkedIn and on your CV. Don't wait for jobs to be advertised, actively look for roles that interest you. Invite relevant people to connect with you on LinkedIn, such as recent graduates from your course and those in jobs and organisations that interest you.

Graduate programmes are a great career starting point as extra training is provided. A Level 8 degree is the minimum for entry to most programmes. Free GradIreland resources are available to take away in the Careers Service. Register with GradIreland: <https://gradireland.com/user>



Postgraduate Study

For further information, go to the 'Further/Postgraduate Study' link on the Students page of our website: <http://www.mycit.ie/careers>. You can also use www.qualifax.ie

For information on Masters' programmes through English in universities across the EU: www.mastersportal.eu

Graduates can also consider become a teacher:
Postgraduate Teacher Training (Second Level) – Accounting, Economics or Business

The PME, Professional Masters in Education, formerly known as the Postgraduate/Higher Diploma in Education, can be completed through the four NUI Colleges or through a number of other colleges in Ireland such as Hibernia, see <https://hiberniacollege.com/>

Check out the Teaching Council Curriculum Subject Requirements to see if you have the necessary modules/credits in your undergrad qualification. <http://www.teachingcouncil.ie/en/Publications/Registration/Documents/Curricular-Subject-Requirements-after-January-2017.pdf>



Want to go abroad?

For career opportunities in the UK see: www.targetjobs.co.uk; www.gradjobs.co.uk and www.graduate-jobs.com

Jobs across the EU can be seen on the EURES website and financial supports are available for relocating to another EU country, visit: <https://ec.europa.eu/eures/eures-searchengine/page/main?lang=en#/search>

If you wish to work in the USA, Canada or Australia, check out work visa requirements first. There are graduate work visas available to the USA, a great opportunity to gain global experience in your field.

Notes


