



GRADUATE APPRENTICESHIP IN ACCOUNTING

What is Special About this Course?

Do you want to unlock your accounting potential and become a Chartered Accountant while earning a wage? Are you an employer looking for a staff training opportunity that combines an industry-relevant qualification with on-the-job training?

Look no further than UHI Inverness's exciting new Graduate Apprenticeship (GA) MA in Accounting. This unique programme blends Higher Education and vocational learning to offer a Master's degree with a difference, and all without leaving the workplace.

The world in which business professionals practice is changing. Competition has never been more intense; clients are more demanding, and technology offers new ways of working.

Such changes demand new knowledge, new skills, and new ways of learning. The GA MA Accounting has been designed and developed to meet these needs.

This course is ideal for anyone working in an accounting or finance role in the public, private or third sector, who wants to enhance their knowledge and develop professional practice.

Entry requirements

- 3 Scottish Highers at grade C or above or 2 A levels at grade C or above.
- Candidates must be at least 16 years of age. However, the suitability of an individual for entry onto a GA will be decided by the employer and their learning provider partner.
- You must be in employment for a minimum of 21 hours per week and have approval of employer prior to application. Candidates must be resident in Scotland at the start of the GA, in addition to this, their employer's working premises must also be located in Scotland.
- Direct entry to year two or three may be possible with a relevant HNC/HND. Applicants will be considered on an individual basis and may be required to complete an application for Recognition of Prior Learning.

Special Features

- Course fees funded by SAAS,
- Work-based course so you can earn while you learn
- Available throughout Scotland
- Access to a work-based mentor
- Access to all your learning resources via the VLE at a time that suits you

For further information please email: Graduate.App.ic@uhi.ac.uk



Content

Year 1 - Cert HE

You will study the following core modules:

- Principles of Financial Accounting
- Introduction to Management Accounting
- Personal Effectiveness
- Introduction to UK Taxation
- Introduction to Economics
- Business Technology

Year 2 - Dip HE

You will study the following core modules:

- Performance Management
- The World Economy
- Financial Reporting
- Professional Skills for Managers
- Business Analytics and AI
- Corporate and Business Law

Year 3 - BA/BSc

You will study the following core modules:

- Financial Management
- Auditing
- Project Management
- Business Performance and Managing Risk
- Interpersonal Communication
- Advanced Financial Reporting

Year 4 - BA/BSc (Hons)

You will study the following core modules:

- Social and Environmental Accounting
- Corporate Financial Decision Making
- International Financial Reporting
- Strategic Business Reporting
- Taxation

Year 5 - MA

You will study the following core modules:

- Critical Reflection for Chartered Accountants
- Strategic Business Leader

You can then choose 2 from the following 4 options:

- Advanced Taxation
- Advanced Performance Management
- Advanced Financial Management
- Advanced Audit and Assurance

Study Mode

How will I study my course?

- Full-time
- This is a work-based qualification: learning happens in the workplace and is supported by activities and content via the university's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE), giving you time outside of the work environment to undertake certain elements of the course.
- You will be taught by a combination of online tutorials and case studies, which will be contextualised to your practice; you will be supported by a mentor, with evidence from the workplace used in assessment.

How long will my course last?

- 5 years

This is a full-time work-based learning qualification. You will need to dedicate some time in addition to your paid working hours to gather work-based evidence, study via the VLE and research information for the qualification.

Start Date

September 2025

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