

What does a Chartered Accountant do?

Chartered Accountants are well represented at senior management level and in the boardrooms of most large South African and international companies.

Chartered Accountants work in all industries and in several business fields. Areas of speciality include:

- Accounting and External Reporting
- Auditing and Assurance
- Management Decision Making and Control
- Financial Management
- Taxation
- Strategy, Risk Management and Governance
- Forensic Auditing
- Management Consulting
- Corporate Finance and
- Financial Planning.

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The CA(SA) Roadmap Through UNISA

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OUR CTA PROGRAMMES

Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting Sciences (first year of the two-year CTA programme)

The purpose of this qualification is to advance students' knowledge in the field of accounting sciences at postgraduate level. It also serves to prepare students for admission to the Postgraduate diploma in Applied Accounting Sciences (CTA Level 2), the qualification required to obtain admission to the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants' Initial Test of Competence (ITC) (previously known as the Qualifying Examination Part 1 (QE1). You are allowed to complete this Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting Sciences on a piecemeal basis in the maximum period allowed (three years).

Curriculum CTA1 detail:

- AUE4861 - Advanced Auditing
- FAC4861 - Advanced Financial Accounting I
- FAC4862 - Advanced Financial Accounting II
- MAC4861 - Advanced Management Accounting
- TAX4861 - Advanced Taxation

CTA 2: Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Accounting Sciences (serving as the second year of the two-year CTA programme)

The purpose of this qualification is to enable qualifying students to be certified as competent in the Theory of Accountancy (CTA Level 2), which is the admission requirement for Part 1 of the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants' (SAICA's) Initial Test of Competence (ITC).

Important: A student obtains the Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Accounting Sciences (CTA Level 2) by:

1. Passing the five subjects (disciplines) in one sitting (within four years). All five modules must be completed in one academic year, which includes the supplementary exam period to be able to qualify for admission to SAICA's initial test of competency (ITC).
2. Passing the five subjects (disciplines) on a piecemeal basis (within four years). If the qualification is passed on a piecemeal basis you will not qualify for admission to SAICA's initial test of competency (ITC). This qualification will however enable you to continue with a Master's degree.

Curriculum CTA2 detail:

- AUE4862 - Applied Auditing
- FAC4863 - Applied Financial Accounting I
- FAC4864 - Applied Financial Accounting II
- MAC4862 - Applied Management Accounting
- TAX4862 - Applied Taxation

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(All Unisa qualifications start with a QC).

