Helping shape your future
Certified Internal Auditor (CIA)
PwC’s Academy is the educational business of PwC. Our goal is to help improve the knowledge, skills, competence and expertise of our people in finance and business; to help organisations across the region grow and retain their talent. Our foundation is our team of expert professionals who convey their wealth of knowledge and the practical experience they have gained within leading organisations around the world.

PwC’s Academy is committed to supporting the sustainable growth of local talent across the region. Our expanding Academy currently operates across the Middle East from six countries: UAE, Oman, Egypt, Lebanon, Qatar and Saudi Arabia. PwC’s Academies in the Middle East are part of a growing network of Academies present in over 30 countries worldwide. We offer a variety of training courses covering financial competencies, management skills and professional qualifications. Our courses are based on the best practices of PwC Global and the individual experiences of our experts. We constantly adapt our courses to meet the needs of modern business, customising them to our client’s requirements and assisting our clients in reaching their organisational training and strategic objectives.

PwC’s Academy’s global network of professionals sets us apart from other providers. We communicate constantly, exchange best practice, ideas and experience. We take this knowledge and evolve our courses to meet the ever-changing needs of modern businesses and their people in the region; this way we make sure that we are providing the very best training programmes for our clients, our students and their sponsors.
PwC’s Academy

Our capabilities at a glance

Risk Management and Internal Audit
International Professional Qualifications
Management Skills
IFRS
Finance and Accounting
PwC’s Mini MBA
Project Management
Fraud and Forensic
Board Training and Corporate Governance
Management Skills
The CIA qualification, awarded by the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA), is the only globally accepted certification for internal auditors and remains a standard by which individuals can demonstrate their competence, professionalism and ethics in the field of internal auditing.

Established in 1941, The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) is an international professional association with over 180,000 members worldwide.

The IIA is the internal audit profession’s global voice, recognized authority, acknowledged leader, chief advocate, and principal educator. Generally, members work in internal auditing, risk management, governance, internal control, information technology audit, education, and security.

Earning the CIA designation is a valuable accomplishment and a professional advantage for auditors at all stages of their careers, including chief audit executives, audit managers, audit staff, and risk management staff, as well as students enrolled in an accounting or other business or financial degree program.

The CIA designation is more than just proof of what you know and what you’ve achieved — it’s the best way for auditing professionals to communicate to the world that they are prepared to meet today’s challenges.

180,000 Members worldwide
Getting Qualified

To get your CIA designation, you must meet the eligibility requirements which include passing 3 exams (parts) of the qualification and obtaining a minimum of 24 months of internal auditing experience or its equivalent.

## Minimum entry requirements

To qualify as a CIA, you must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Bachelor’s degree
- 2 years’ post-secondary education and 5 years’ relevant work experience
- 7 years’ relevant work experience (if you do not have a Bachelor’s degree)

## How long does it take?

CIA examinations are offered all year round. How you choose to study is flexible and you can progress at your own pace. You can complete the training within 9-12 months but to become certified you must ensure that you have 24 months of internal auditing experience. You can do this whilst you study or after taking and passing the exams.

The CIA exams are computer based and consist of 125 MCQ’s for part I and 100 each for parts II and III.

The part 1 exam is 2.5 hours long and parts II and III are 2 hours each.

The pass mark for the CIA exams is a scaled score of 600 for all three parts which equates to an approximate pass rate of 75% per part.

### CIA Exams Topics

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Our CIA training programme

Our CIA training programme is made up of a series of Comprehensive Preparation classes followed by a full revision programme.

Comprehensive Preparation Series
This is a series of lectures and is made up of over 100 hours of classroom learning using a range of methodologies. The lectures include:

- Comprehensive study materials
- Series of tests during the programme to monitor progress
- Access to over 1000 practice questions
- 3 paper based mock exams

Revision course
Our CIA revision course is designed to help you strengthen your understanding of the key topics and provide you with an opportunity to address any weak areas. The sessions focus on exam technique and a recap of all topics covered during the lectures.

- Over 9 hours of classroom based revision
- One to one consultations to help you prepare for the exam
- An in-depth session on study tips and techniques

Schedule and Fees

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<td>Part I</td>
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<td>Full course</td>
<td>11,880</td>
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In addition early bird, group and corporate discounts may be available.
Why choose PwC’s Academy

Ensuring you pass
At PwC’s Academy our focus is to make sure you have all the conceptual knowledge and exam techniques you need to achieve your CIA qualification. Our core objective is to help you pass all three exam levels and our ability to do this is demonstrated by our exceptional pass rates.

Our CIA programme is designed to give you the knowledge and expertise you need to perform at the higher levels in internal audit. We provide you with the very best course materials including online and offline resources. Our course materials are designed to help the learning process and make it simple for you to grasp complex topics.

Our lecturers
At PwC’s Academy, our foundation is our fantastic team of lecturers, all of whom are not only professionally qualified but have huge experience teaching CIA. All our lecturers are experts in the subjects they teach and understand the exam requirements so that they are able to help you get the best results.

Our premises
Our new Academy premises provide you with a professional environment in which to study and interact with other students and our lecturers. Our Academy is equipped with state of the art facilities including:

- Free wireless in all classrooms and 8 desktop computers in the lounge area
- Lounge area in which to relax and chat to other students and lecturers
- Library with a full range of reference books
- Provision of a quiet study area
- Pantry area with comfortable seating and free tea and coffee
- 5 spacious classrooms

We are a 5 minute walk from the Dubai Mall and a short journey to Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC). The Academy is also located on the metro line making us accessible no matter where you are coming from.

Going the extra mile
We want your time studying with us to be a positive and happy experience and so we provide a range of services that help you to get the most out of your time with us:

- Mentoring and guidance from the CIA course manager
- Programme advisors to help with registrations and to guide you throughout your studies
- Student counselling and career guidance on applying concepts in the workplace
- Full time lecturers always available to help and support you
- Internships and graduate recruitment opportunities
- Sessions on exam tips and strategies
- Arabic and English speaking faculty
What our students say

I would like to thank PwC’s Academy for giving me all the tools I needed to pass my CIA part I exam.

Joining the CIA classes at PwC’s academy was extremely helpful. I developed a good understanding of the process and was prepared for the exam. The lecturers helped me identify my weaker topics and provided me support to get better and gain confidence in them. I enjoyed the real life examples that were given in class to make it easier to understand the concepts. Also the classes were highly interactive and not boring.

The material provided is an excellent support to the classroom learning. In addition, the amount of practice questions and mock exams were a great way to learn and get feedback. Thank you for a wonderful experience. I look forward to completing part II with PwC’s Academy.

Haifa Zibian,
CIA Part II candidate

Thank you Mr. Husam for the presentation and thank you so much for requesting Mr. Mahmoud to present CIA part I because he is one of the most exceptional presenters that I have met during my experience in attending other courses related to Internal Audit. I am especially astounded at his ability to keep us engaged throughout the programme. Joining PwC’s Academy has been a great decision for me and I am very proud to be a part of the experience.

Lina Al Farsi,
Senior Auditor,
Electricity Holding Company, Oman

With the help of PwC’s Academy’s wonderful lecturers and a comprehensive study plan, I was able to pass my first CIA exam. It’s a great feeling and I am glad that I chose PwC’s Academy to help me understand the basics of internal auditing and motivate me to succeed.

Maricel Laconsay,
Accountant in Thoqban MEI
Course Manager

Jouhaina Sarieddine

Jouhaina is the CIA course manager at PwC’s Academy. She has over 10 years experience in training and education and has advised large corporations and individuals on choosing the right professional qualification for their careers.

Prior to joining PwC, Jouhaina successfully managed a training institute in Dubai for more than 5 years though building lasting business relationships and creating tailored training programmes to suit individual needs. Jouhaina has worked with the IMA since 2007 and joined the IMA Dubai Chapter in 2008 as a voluntary contributor where she has organized and managed all the Chapter’s events and helped in increasing the number of members in the UAE. She has also held a senior position at The Association of Accountants and Financial Professionals in Business, Dubai.

Jouhaina is a graduate from University of Arts, Sciences, & Technology in Lebanon with a Bachelor of Science (Business Accounting), and is a qualified Professional in Human Resources, PHR.
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