ACA Syllabus 2022



*Credit for prior learning available

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CORPORATE REPORTING

- corporate reporting compliance
- corporate reporting financial statement analysis
- audit and assurance
- ethics

STRATEGIC BUSINESS MANAGEMENT CASE STUDY

- business strategy and management
- financial strategy
- financial structure and financial reconstruction
- financial instruments and financial markets
- corporate reporting
- assurance
- ethics

- requires demonstration of knowledge, skills and practical application from multiple areas of the syllabus
- tests professional skills in the context of a specific business issue
- demands ability to analyse financial and non-financial information
- requires demonstration of professional and ethical judgement
- involves the development of conclusions and recommendations
- relates to how students will be expected
- assesses the application of professional ethics

PROFESSIONAL LEVEL

AUDIT AND ASSURANCE*

- legal and other professional regulations, ethics, accepting and managing engagements and current issues
- planning and performing engagements
- · concluding and reporting on engagements

BUSINESS STRATEGY AND TECHNOLOGY'

- strategic analysis
- strategic choice
- implementation and monitoring of strategy

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND **REPORTING: IFRS AND UK GAAP***

- accounting and reporting concepts and
- single entity financial statements • consolidated financial statements

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT*

- financing options
- managing financial risk
- investment decisions and valuation

TAX COMPLIANCE*

- ethics and law
- indirect taxes
- capital taxes
- corporation tax
- income tax and NIC

BUSINESS PLANNING*

Business Planning: Banking

- risk management and financial services products
- financial and regulatory reporting for banks
- audit and assurance of banks
- ethics

Business Planning: Insurance

- insurance products and risk management
- financial and regulatory reporting for insurance companies
- audit and assurance of insurance companies

Business Planning: Taxation

- ethics and law
- taxation of corporate entities
- taxation of owner-managed businesses
- personal taxation

CERTIFICATE LEVEL

ACCOUNTING*

- maintaining financial records
- adjustments to accounting records and financial statements
- preparing financial statements

ASSURANCE*

- the concept, process and need for assurance
- internal controls
- gathering evidence on an assurance engagement
- professional ethics

BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY AND FINANCE*

- business objectives and functions
- business and organisational structures
- the role of finance and the finance function
- key issues for the accountancy profession and business
- the external environment of business
- technology and data analysis

- the impact of civil law on business and professional services
- company and insolvency law
- the impact of criminal law on business and professional services
- the impact of law in the professional context

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION*

- costing and pricing
- ethics
- budgeting and forecasting
- performance management and management information operations
- management decision-making

PRINCIPLES OF TAXATION*

- objectives, types of tax and ethics
- administration of taxation
- income tax and national insurance contributions
- capital gains tax and chargeable gains for companies
- corporation tax
- VAT