



The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

Founded 1919, CIMA is the leading management accounting body of 77,000 students and 60,000 members in 155 countries. Unlike other accounting or financial qualifications, its scope extends beyond pure accountancy and management. Its key activities are related to strategy in finance, business and information.

CIMA attracts those entering the business field; its syllabus is commercially relevant, often reflecting new developments. In today's global competition, chartered management accountants are trained to provide timely and accurate financial information. Most executives rely on their finance advisors to help them analyse financial consequences of decisions and understand risks and changes often faced by companies. Thus, management accountancy skills influence every area of a business.

Career Opportunities After CIMA

The CIMA qualification is flexible; members work in all business sectors at all levels. Internationally-valued as a complete education for business in the 21st century, it is equal to an honour's degree in Malaysia, and accepted by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA). Members of MIA are called Chartered Accountants. It can be your passport to success for careers in commerce, financial services, consultancy, government, the public sector, or manufacturing.

The CIMA syllabus covers theories and skills needed to qualify as a chartered management accountant, and gives thorough grounding in business and management accounting. You will become skilled at the preparation of accounts and the management of budgets. (see programme structure)

CIMA Programme Structure

The programme starts with basic concepts. Later, you learn how to interpret financial and management information by applying advanced statistics and mathematical techniques. You will also study the financial and legal environment in which businesses operate, including banking systems, taxation, regulatory frameworks and laws governing business activities in the UK and worldwide.

CIMA Progression Chart

