



Your degree in
Accountancy

What
next?



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Employers typically include professional services firms, shared services, multi-national and indigenous businesses, SMEs, financial services and advisory environment. Specifically, roles exist in audit/assurance, internal audit, corporate finance, financial planning and analysis, management and financial accounting, technical accounting, fund accounting and tax.

Almost 40% of graduate jobs are either in the accountancy or financial services sector with the Big 4 Firms alone employing over 1,000 graduates annually.

Your exemptions as an accountancy graduate

To qualify as an accountant, further training is needed. Depending on the modules you studied at NCI and your exam performance you may be entitled to significant exemptions from the professional accountancy exams.

The Careers Team will help you decide which qualification is most appropriate for you. You then register with the appropriate professional body (ACA, ACCA, CIMA, CPA and CTA) and complete the exams whilst working as a Trainee Accountant.

Further exemptions can be secured for certain qualifications by undertaking a relevant Masters programme.

What do NCI graduates do?

Each year the NCI Career Development and Employability Service produces a *Graduate Outcomes Report* based on an annual survey of graduates nine months after graduation.

From 2019 work placement has been an option for 3rd year students. All of those who completed a placement to-date are working in professional roles and 60% of those are working with companies they completed their placement with.

The Careers Service organises a number of employment led initiatives throughout term-time and on average circa 40% of graduates in accounting and finance secure a role with a company they met on-campus in NCI.

10 Year Trend	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Employed	81%	84%	74%	97%	90%	85%	86%	76%	60%	47%	47%
Further Study	11%	16%	23%	3%	10%	15%	20%	16%	31%	41%	28%
Seeking Employment	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	4%	5%	4.5%	6%	6%
Not Available	8%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	4.5%	6%	19%

Who employs accountancy graduates from NCI?

Graduates who progressed directly to employment have taken up a variety of roles. The following is a sample of graduate jobs and employers over the past number of years:

Insurance

123.ie Accounts Assistant; **Allianz** Claims Administrator; **Allianz Worldwide Care** Cash Allocations and Commissions Officer; **Chill Insurance** Administration Agent; **O'Driscoll O'Neill** Insurance Brokers Client Administrator; **Zurich** Group Pensions Administrator.

Financial Services

AIB Audit Junior; **AIB** Account Manager; **AIB** Graduate Programme; **AIB Corporate Banking** Enterprise Lending Systems Advisor; **Bank of Ireland** Customer Service Agent; **BNY Mellon** Fund Accountant; **BNY Mellon** Trustee Administrator; **Citco** Fund Accountant; **Citco** Operations Analyst; **Citi** S&D Analyst; **Citi** Graduate Risk & Controls Analyst; **Citi** Operations Graduate, Direct Custody and Clearing; **Deutsche Bank** KYC Operator; **Hedgeserv** Graduate Fund Accountant; **State Street** Fund Accountant; **State Street** Private Equity; **Bank of Ireland** Mortgage Administrator; **BNP Paribas** Middle Office Administrator; **GAM Fund Management** Pricing Administrator; **KBC** Retail Control Officer; **SMT Fund Services** Fund Accountant; **SFM Europe** Trainee Chartered Accountant; **Towers Watson** Pensions Administrator.

Professional Services

Barr Pomeroy Trainee Chartered Accountant; **BDO** Trainee Chartered Accountant; **JPA Brenson Lawlor** Trainee ACCA; **Byrne Curtin Kelly** Junior Accountant; **Crowleys** DFK Trainee Chartered Accountant; **Deloitte** Trainee ACA; **Deloitte** Trainee Tax Advisor; **Eisner Amper** Trainee Tax Accountant; **Gorman Quigley Penrose** Trainee Chartered Accountant; **EY** Trainee Chartered Accountant; **Grant Thornton** Trainee ACA; **HLB Sheehan Quinn** Trainee Accountant; **Houlihan Cushman** Trainee Accountant; **Mazars** Trainee Chartered Accountant; **PKF O'Connor** **Leddy & Holmes Limited** Audit Trainee; **PwC** Trainee Chartered Accountant.

Industry

Aerfast Accounts & Billing; **Coca Cola** Cash Analyst; **DTZ Sherry Fitzgerald** Accounts Assistant; **Hudson Advisors Europe Ltd** Accounts Payable Associate; **Flynn Management & Contractors** Accounts Assistant; **Joe Duffy Motor Group** Accounts Assistant; **Kellings Property Management** Accounts Assistant; **McCartons Pharmacy** Accounts Assistant; **United Drug** Purchasing Assistant; **Windmill Lane Productions** Accounts Assistant; **Ryanair** Finance Graduate Programme; **Ryanair** Media Budget Administrator; **Syncreon** Financial Accountant.

Tax

BDO Trainee Tax Consultant; **Meridian Global Services** VAT Trainee; **Conlan Crotty Murray & Co** Tax Trainee; **Cornmarket Financial Services Group** Tax Advisor; **Ernst & Young** Tax Trainee; **Brown Murphy & Hughes** Tax Trainee; **Burns Kelly Corrigan** Trainee Tax Consultant; **Clancy Associates** Tax Trainee.

Non Finance Roles

AIB HR Shared Services; **Chad Consulting UK** International Search Consultant; **Euromedics** Clerical Officer; **Eircom for Business** Customer Service Agent; **Mace Promotions** Accounts Manager; **Trinity Biomedical Sciences Institute** Executive Officer.

What postgraduate courses do accounting graduates choose?

The following list provides a sample of the postgraduate courses that the BA (Hons) Accounting & Finance graduates progressed to, following graduation:

DCU Masters in Accounting

DCU Masters in eBusiness

DCU MSc International Accounting & Business

Maynooth University Masters in Accounting

Maynooth University Masters in Economics

National College of Ireland MA Human Resource Management

National College of Ireland MSc in Management

National College of Ireland MSc Finance

Queens University Masters in Accounting

Sheffield Hallam University (UK) MSc International Business Management

TCD MSc in Finance

TUD Masters in Strategic Management

University College Cork MSc Information Systems for Business Performance

UCD Smurfit Masters in Accounting

UCD Masters in Computer Science

University of Cardiff Masters of Accountancy & Finance

University of Technology, Sydney MSc Finance

University of York MSc Finance

University of Reading Masters in Accounting and Finance

Careers open to all graduates

You also have the option of taking a postgraduate conversion course when you graduate. Pursuing a postgraduate conversion course will allow you to alter your original career path, to think beyond previous educational restrictions, such as CAO points, and open the door to a new career path that you really want. Postgraduate conversion courses exist in teaching, law, IT, marketing, HR, advertising etc.

About one-third of all graduate jobs are advertised for graduates of any discipline. Examples of these jobs include management trainee positions, marketing and sales, research, banking, etc.

For much more detailed information and resources relating to a career in accounting, the exemptions available, vacancy sources etc., please visit our website www.ncirl.ie/careers.

Every student will create their own career path based on their personal values and interests so please do arrange to meet us to help you get started on planning your journey.

Career paths of past NCI graduates

2006 BA (Hons) Accounting & HRM	2006 Deloitte Senior Consultant	2012 – 2013 St James’s Hospital Director of Finance	2014 – 2016 St James’s Hospital Director of Finance	2014 – 2016 Blackrock Clinic CFO
2007 BA (Hons) Accounting & HRM	2006 – 2007 NCI Students Union President	2017 – 2015 Citi Ireland Client Operations Manager	2015 – 2021 Citi NY Director Head of Nth America Market Management	Current JP Morgan & Chase, US, Global Head of Clearing Transformation
2006 BA (Hons) Accounting & HRM	2006 – 2014 Crowleys DFK Manager	2017 – 2019 Crowleys DFK Director	Current Crowleys DFK Director	
2006 BA (Hons) Accounting & HRM	2008 – 2012 Grant Thornton Mngr, Corporate Recovery & Reorganisation	2012 – 2014 EY Director	2014 – 2018 RSMI Partner	Current Teneo Senior Management Director
2008 BA (Hons) Accounting & HRM	2008 – 2012 PWC Asset Manager	2012 – 2014 Maitland, Senior Fund Accountant	2014 – 2018 Mitsubishi UFJ Fund Services, Internal Audit Manager	Current Citi Vice-President Intenal Audit

