



Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Exam Preparation Training Course

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Course Overview:

The Certified Public Accountant CPA Exam Prep Training Course is an intensive, blueprint-aligned programme designed to strengthen the technical knowledge, analytical ability, and examination strategy required for the Uniform CPA Examination. This Certified Public Accountant Course addresses the three compulsory Core sections—Financial Accounting and Reporting FAR, Auditing and Attestation AUD, and Taxation and Regulation REG—while introducing the three Discipline options: Business Analysis and Reporting BAR, Information Systems and Controls ISC, and Tax Compliance and Planning TCP.

The 2026 examination model requires candidates to complete three Core sections and one selected Discipline section. Each examination section is four hours long and combines multiple-choice questions with task-based simulations. The weighting is generally 50% MCQs and 50% TBSs, except ISC, where MCQs carry 60% and TBSs carry 40%.

This CPA Certification Training Course combines technical review, accounting calculations, professional judgment, applied research, data interpretation, and timed exam practice. Participants work through realistic questions, financial reporting scenarios, auditing decisions, tax applications, analytics formulas, and task-based simulations. The Professional CPA Training Program is especially suitable as CPA Exam Preparation for Working Professionals because it provides a structured method for identifying knowledge gaps, prioritising high-weight areas, and building an achievable study plan for continued preparation after the course.

Target Audience:

- Accountants
- Senior accountants and corporate accountants
- Internal and external auditors
- Finance managers and accounting managers
- Tax accountants and tax compliance professionals
- Financial reporting and consolidation specialists
- Management accountants and financial analysts
- Accounting graduates pursuing CPA Certification
- Professionals returning to CPA Exam Preparation
- Finance and accounting teams requiring Corporate CPA Training



Targeted Organizational Departments:

- Accounting and Financial Reporting
- Finance and Corporate Planning
- Internal Audit
- External Audit and Assurance
- Taxation and Regulatory Compliance
- Financial Control and Controllershship
- Treasury and Corporate Finance
- Risk Management and Internal Controls
- Information Systems Audit
- Shared Services and Finance Operations

Targeted Industries:

- Accounting and professional services firms
- Banking and financial services
- Insurance and investment management
- Energy, oil, and gas
- Manufacturing and industrial organisations
- Technology and telecommunications
- Healthcare and pharmaceuticals
- Government and public-sector entities
- Construction, engineering, and real estate
- Retail, hospitality, and consumer services
- Education and nonprofit organisations
- Multinational and listed companies

Course Offerings:

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:



- Explain the current CPA Exam structure, Core sections, Discipline options, testlets, question formats, and skill levels.
- Develop an individual CPA Exam Preparation plan based on examination priorities, available study time, and professional experience.
- Apply financial accounting and reporting principles to financial statements, balance-sheet accounts, and complex transactions.
- Analyse audit engagements, internal controls, risk assessment, evidence, professional responsibilities, and reporting decisions.
- Address major federal taxation, business law, ethics, and regulatory topics tested in REG.
- Compare BAR, ISC, and TCP to select the Discipline section most closely aligned with professional strengths and career goals.
- Calculate and interpret financial ratios, performance measures, valuation metrics, and investment decision indicators.
- Solve multiple-choice questions using structured elimination, calculation, and time-management techniques.
- Complete task-based simulations involving exhibits, source documents, reconciliations, research, and written conclusions.
- Apply professional judgment, scepticism, analysis, and evaluation across CPA examination scenarios.
- Identify weak areas through diagnostic exercises and convert results into a targeted CPA Review Course plan.
- Build an actionable post-course schedule for Complete CPA Exam Preparation.

Training Methodology:

This CPA Exam Prep Course uses a highly practical methodology that combines technical instruction with examination-focused application. Each subject area begins with a concise explanation of the relevant CPA Examination Blueprint requirements, followed by worked examples, structured calculations, decision frameworks, and exam-style questions. The programme balances remembering and understanding with application, analysis, and professional judgment, reflecting the skill framework used across the CPA Exam sections.

Participants complete individual and group exercises involving financial statements, audit evidence, internal-control scenarios, taxation cases, business-law questions, analytics formulas, and Discipline-related decisions. Released AUD questions are used to demonstrate how professional standards, internal controls, review engagements, subsequent events, and audit evidence may be tested through scenario-based MCQs.

Task-based simulation practice requires participants to analyse multiple exhibits, identify relevant information, correct accounting discrepancies, document conclusions, and manage time under examination conditions. A retired FAR simulation demonstrates the need to reconcile balance-sheet amounts to supporting documents and investigate adjustments across receivables, inventory, payables, expenses, and intangible assets.

Daily feedback sessions help participants identify recurring errors, refine question-solving methods, and establish measurable improvement targets. The methodology supports both individual candidates and organisations arranging Certified Public Accountant Corporate Training for accounting teams.

Course Toolbox:

Participants receive guidance, examples, and practical insights relating to:

- 2026 Uniform CPA Examination Blueprint navigation
- Core and Discipline section comparison guide
- CPA examination content-weighting reference
- MCQ analysis and answer-elimination framework
- Task-based simulation response framework
- Financial statement adjustment case examples
- Audit-risk and evidence decision map
- Federal taxation and business-law review checklist
- Financial ratio and valuation formula reference
- CPA study schedule and weekly planning template
- Weak-area diagnostic tracker
- Mock-exam performance analysis framework
- Exam-day time-allocation model
- Post-course CPA preparation action plan
- Examples of accounting analytics, audit, research, and study tools
- The course provides instruction, demonstrations, examples, and insights regarding relevant tools. Commercial CPA review platforms, licensed databases, examination registrations, calculators, software subscriptions, and third-party tools are not supplied unless explicitly included in the training agreement.



Course Agenda:

Day 1: CPA Exam Structure, FAR Foundations, and Financial Reporting

- **Topic 1:** CPA Certification pathway, examination structure, Core sections, and Discipline choices
- **Topic 2:** Exam testlets, MCQ and TBS formats, scoring weights, and time-management requirements
- **Topic 3:** FAR Blueprint structure, financial reporting frameworks, standard-setting, and general-purpose statements
- **Topic 4:** Income statement, comprehensive income, balance sheet, cash flows, and equity presentation
- **Topic 5:** Revenue recognition, expense classification, discontinued operations, and other comprehensive income
- **Topic 6:** Adjusting entries, error correction, account reconciliation, and financial statement analysis
- **Reflection & Review:** Participants map FAR content areas against their current knowledge, review common reporting errors, and define priorities for continued CPA Exam Preparation.

Day 2: FAR Transactions, Analytics, and Task-Based Simulations

- **Topic 1:** Cash, receivables, inventory, property, equipment, intangible assets, and impairment
- **Topic 2:** Payables, contingencies, long-term debt, leases, bonds, and equity transactions
- **Topic 3:** Business combinations, consolidations, foreign currency matters, and financial instruments
- **Topic 4:** Governmental and nonprofit accounting principles within the FAR examination scope
- **Topic 5:** Financial ratios, liquidity, profitability, solvency, turnover, and performance metrics
- **Topic 6:** FAR task-based simulations using exhibits, source documents, reconciliations, and adjustments
- **Reflection & Review:** Participants complete a structured FAR simulation review, trace errors to their source, and develop a personal method for handling multi-exhibit accounting tasks.



Day 3: Auditing and Attestation, Planning, Risk, Evidence, and Reporting

- **Topic 1:** Ethics, independence, professional conduct, scepticism, judgment, and engagement quality
- **Topic 2:** Engagement acceptance, terms, documentation, communication, and quality-management responsibilities
- **Topic 3:** Audit planning, materiality, risk assessment, fraud risk, and planned audit responses
- **Topic 4:** COSO controls, entity-level controls, IT general controls, business processes, and control testing
- **Topic 5:** Audit evidence, sampling, confirmations, analytical procedures, estimates, and subsequent events
- **Topic 6:** Audit opinions, attestation reports, reviews, compilations, compliance reporting, and conclusion formation
- **Reflection & Review:** Participants analyse released AUD-style questions, explain why each distractor is incorrect, and practise distinguishing issuer, nonissuer, audit, review, and attestation requirements.

Day 4: Taxation, Regulation, Business Law, and CPA Discipline Options

- **Topic 1:** REG ethics, professional responsibilities, federal tax procedures, penalties, and authority
- **Topic 2:** Business law, contracts, agency, debtor-creditor relationships, and commercial transactions
- **Topic 3:** Property transactions, basis, gains and losses, cost recovery, and related tax consequences
- **Topic 4:** Individual taxation, gross income, adjustments, deductions, credits, and taxable income
- **Topic 5:** Entity taxation, tax preparation, corporations, partnerships, and flow-through considerations
- **Topic 6:** Comparing BAR, ISC, and TCP by content, skill level, career relevance, and preparation demands
- **Reflection & Review:** Participants solve integrated REG cases, identify the controlling rule, calculate the tax effect, and select a Discipline section based on evidence rather than familiarity alone.

Day 5: Integrated CPA Review, Exam Strategy, and Preparation Planning

- **Topic 1:** Diagnostic review of FAR, AUD, REG, and selected Discipline knowledge gaps
- **Topic 2:** MCQ strategies for conceptual, computational, scenario-based, and exception questions
- **Topic 3:** TBS strategies for document review, research, journal entries, reconciliations, and written analysis
- **Topic 4:** Applied research, authoritative literature, professional judgment, and evidence-based conclusions
- **Topic 5:** Timed mixed-section practice, performance analysis, error classification, and corrective review
- **Topic 6:** Personal CPA study schedule, examination sequence, weekly targets, and final review planning
- **Reflection & Review:** Participants convert diagnostic results into a measurable CPA Exam Prep Course action plan, including priority topics, weekly hours, practice targets, review milestones, and readiness criteria.



FAQ:

What specific qualifications or prerequisites are needed for participants before enrolling in the course?

Participants should have a degree-level background in accounting, finance, business, or a related discipline and working knowledge of financial accounting, auditing, taxation, and business law. Previous professional experience is beneficial but not mandatory for training participation.

Eligibility to sit for the CPA Exam and eligibility for CPA licensure are separate matters governed by the relevant U.S. jurisdiction or state board. Participants must independently verify education, residency, experience, ethics, and application requirements with their chosen board of accountancy. Completion of this Certified Public Accountant Training course does not itself establish examination eligibility or confer CPA Certification.

How long is each day's session, and is there a total number of hours required for the entire course?

Each day's session is generally structured to last around 4–5 hours, with breaks and interactive activities included. The total course duration spans five days, approximately 20–25 hours of instruction.

Does this five-day CPA Training Course cover every topic needed to pass all four CPA Exam sections?

The course provides an intensive, structured review of the major Core and Discipline domains, examination formats, representative tasks, technical themes, and question-solving methods. However, the Uniform CPA Examination covers a broad body of knowledge, and the official Blueprints state that representative tasks are not an all-inclusive list of everything that may be tested.

Participants should therefore treat this programme as a concentrated CPA Exam Preparation Training course that establishes priorities, corrects weaknesses, and improves exam technique. It should be followed by independent study, extensive MCQ and TBS practice, updated technical reading, and full-length simulated examinations.

How This Course is Different from Other Certified Public Accountant Courses:

This Certified Public Accountant CPA programme differs from many general accounting courses because it is organised around the current Uniform CPA Examination architecture rather than around broad academic subjects alone. It connects every major technical area to the question formats, cognitive skills, and representative workplace tasks that candidates are expected to perform.



Unlike a conventional CPA Review Course that may rely heavily on lectures and memorisation, this Complete CPA Exam Preparation Course emphasises application. Participants analyse financial statements, reconcile source documents, assess audit risks, evaluate evidence, interpret tax scenarios, calculate performance metrics, and practise multi-exhibit simulations. The course also addresses the difference between remembering rules and applying professional judgment, an important distinction because FAR, AUD, REG, BAR, ISC, and TCP assess different combinations of understanding, application, analysis, and evaluation.

The programme is also designed for corporate delivery. CPA Training for Finance Professionals and CPA Training for Accounting Professionals is linked to practical responsibilities such as reporting, audit coordination, internal controls, tax compliance, data analysis, and decision support. Emerging professional issues are incorporated through discussion of artificial intelligence, automation, data privacy, human review, and AI-supported accounting workflows.