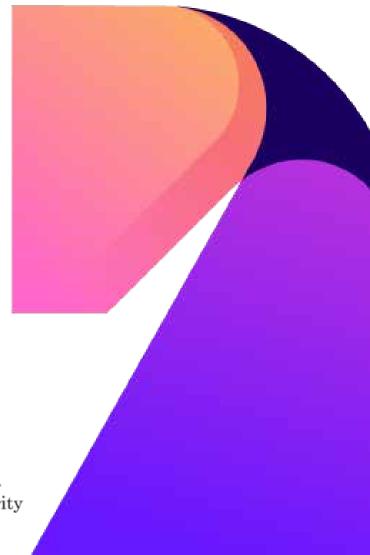


# STUDY ACCA WITH BPP ONLINE CLASSROOM

# Flexibility, Support, Structure, Success

**Central Mediterranean Business School** 





# Study ACCA anytime, anywhere



#### Who are We?

CMBS was launched in late 2013 and boasts over 1000 students who successfully completed accredited courses. CMBS provides opportunities for professionals to increase their awareness of industry issues, learn the skills necessary to handle today's changes, and discover their potential. All courses run at CMBS are accredited programmes delivered by industry professionals.

We currently offer accredited courses in leadership and management, coaching and mentoring, marketing, human resources, employment law, finance and healthcare. We are also working on several ambitious projects with international universities and management colleges that will see us launch new programmes and grow CMBS even further in the future.

CMBS is licensed as a Further/Higher Education Institution with the Malta Further and Higher Education Authority, and is an accredited centre of the City & Guilds of London Institute, the Institute of Leadership & Management (ILM), Organisation for Tourism and Hospitality Management (OTHM), Dublin City University (DCU) and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).

#### Who are ACCA?

ACCA has a worldwide reputation for excellence and its rigorous qualifications are recognised and respected across the globe. Individuals who join ACCA, become part of a diverse body of more than 200,000 members and 486,000 students in 181 countries.

The ACCA qualifications are the gold standard in accountancy, opening doors to highly respected, interesting work in any sector. The ACCA professional qualification has been officially benchmarked to Master's level.

Employers across the globe seek out ACCA-trained professionals because they know they have the strategic thinking, technical skills and professional values to drive their organisations forward. Learn more at: www.accaglobal.com.

#### Who are **BPP?**

With over 40 years of experience in educating professionals and pass rates 23% above the ACCA Global average, you can be confident of BPP's quality of teaching and the support that BPP offer.

Supported by over 80,000 learners, 7,000 businesses and 170 countries, BPP's learning material has become a benchmark for quality and an essential support for success in the world of professional qualification exams globally.

As an ACCA Approved Content Provider, BPP's study material and exam revision kits undergo constant reviewing by the ACCA examining team, so you can be assured that BPP will provide you with everything you need for exam success! Learn more at: www.bpp.com.



#### Key benefits of studying ACCA with BPP?

As an ACCA Platinum Approved Learning Partner with over 40 years of experience in the training market, BPP have harnessed all the knowledge and best practices of classroom courses to design and develop a market-leading **Online Classroom** which enables students to develop their skills in a more flexible way than the traditional offline route.

When it comes to deliverability and flexibility, BPP's Online Classroom is at the leading edge of course provision, offering students various flexible ways of studying including live and recorded tutor-led lectures and an online platform to help students structure their own time effectively.

BPP don't just offer learners standard course material; they also offer students access to the awardwinning **BPP Momentum** – an innovative learning approach which helps students at every step of their study to increase their chances of success by identifying strengths and weaknesses and allowing them to properly progress through the qualification and achieve their goals. You will get:

- ACCA Approved Content which gives you access to the best resources you need to achieve exam success
- A **Lifetime Pass Assurance** so that if you don't pass an exam, you can return to study the course as many times as necessary (T&C's apply).

#### BPP Online Classroom (OCR) & Online Classroom Live (OCR Live)

#### **Overview**

BPP's **ACCA Online Classroom** is ideal for students who want the flexibility of studying whenever and wherever they want, combined with the support of a dedicated tutor. Students study at their own pace with access to the programme content, learning activities and assessments available at any time.



### Key Benefits of Studying ACCA with BPP's Online Classroom

#### Flexibility

Live and/or pre-recorded lectures enable students to log in and access their study materials at any time and from anywhere. Lectures can be paused, rewound and fast forwarded, allowing students to study at their own pace. Each module is designed to take between 6 and 8 weeks to cover the entire syllabus.

#### Course Content

- Each OCR course covers the entire ACCA syllabus and is specifically designed around exam style and the level of skill required; mirroring the type and format of exam questions throughout the programme to help students learn and adapt the technique.
- Students will have access to all the pre-recorded online lectures and 'Practice & Apply' activities so that they are free to study at their own pace. Accessibility of the course content is instant, provided that the latest updated course material has been built.
- Students are given access to comprehensive online learning activities and resources with over seven exams' worth of questions for each paper and expert-led live and/or prerecorded lectures. This content is available for six months.
- Topics and learning content are broken down into logical topics and associated learning activities. For each topic within the paper, there will be a 30 to 60 minute-long full lecture and a 10-minute summary lecture.
- BPP classroom focused materials including course notes/workbook, study text and practice & revision kit





#### Achievement Ladder

All students are given access to their personal online learning area, which includes the **Achievement Ladder**. The Achievement Ladder is central to a student's learning at BPP and shows a record of their progress through the paper. The Achievement Ladder consists of a series of assessment steps that build in complexity and syllabus coverage, preparing students for exam success. Suggested dates to complete each step are provided along the way.

#### Study Guidance

- Study guidance is provided to help students plan their studies. The activities within each topic will help students identify their strengths and weaknesses in specific areas and learn core syllabus knowledge, whilst also providing lots of opportunity for students to practice with real life examples.
- Each activity helps students understand and apply the syllabus content by either explaining a concept, showing a worked example, or providing an opportunity to apply the concept.
- There is an Assessment In question at the beginning of each topic which the students can complete. Students can choose between watching the full version or the summary. The 'Practice & Apply questions in this section will test the students' learning abilities for that topic.
- Students will also have access to a Calendar with suggested submission dates for homework when the students are in their Acheivement Ladder stage. The tutors will also point these dates out in the online forum in their regular posts.
- Exam standard questions will also be provided from the start to ensure that students can learn and enhance your technique wholly, and build your confidence step-by-step.

#### **Tutor Support**

All students are assigned a BPP tutor – a subject specialist who is there to guide and assist learning. Regular, proactive emails ensure that students stay motivated, that their learning remains efficient, and that students can maximise their time. OCR tutor support is available through the online Forums on the Hub, as well as through the Live sessions (on set dates & times) for those who opt for OCR Live.

In addition, OCR students will also have the support of **BPP's Performance Support** team who will get in contact with students on an individual basis at various 'touch points' throughout the course to offer support and guidance and help them stay on track.



#### Which option is best for me?

There are two types of online classroom options available: one which is recorded (OCR), and one which is live (OCR Live). The OCR and OCR Live courses cover the same syllabus content. The only difference between the two is in the mode of study/delivery of the programme which utilises different formats and timetables.

# Online Classroom (OCR)

BPP's award-winning Online Classroom gives you all the freedom and flexibility you could need, as well as the quality of materials and resources you would expect from an ACCA Platinum Approved Learning Partner with an amazing pass rate of 96%. In the Online Classroom, you will learn from BPP tutors and receive all the support and structure that you would get in a traditional non-virtual classroom. This includes:

- Access to a comprehensive suite of pre-recorded lectures which can be accessed 24/7 anywhere provided that you have an internet connection
- Detailed guidance documents to walk you through the syllabus content
- An Online ourse calendar showing key dates for submitting various assessments some of which will be marked
- Proactive Support from BPP's Performance Support team who will contact you on an individual basis at various 'touch points' throughout the course to offer you support and guidance and help you stay on track
- Forums to interact with and get support from your tutor and fellow students





# Online Classroom Live (OCR Live)

Online Classroom Live provides interactive online sessions at scheduled times. This is the ideal approach if you like the discipline and motivation of structured classes, but want the flexibility of studying wherever you have internet access. The OCR Live Classroom provides everything you would expect from a traditional BPP classroom, but is delivered live online instead of in a classroom environment.

Separate Tuition and Revision phases covering syllabus knowledge and application:

**Taught Phase** - Taught sessions offer you the perfect foundation on which to prepare for the exam. As well as guiding you through the key topics, you can make an early start on seeing how topics are examined and how you should apply knowledge to real exam questions.

**Revision Phase** - The revision phase offers students a full range of exam skills and techniques which include a comprehensive **Practise and Revision Kit**. Revision sessions help you to focus on your skills and techniques so that you learn to understand what the examiner is asking for. This phase will teach you how to spot the easy marks, further your practical techniques and improve your time management skills. You will also have the opportunity to practice questions with full support and feedback from the tutor.

- Interact with your tutor and fellow students via forums and online polls during the live sessions
- Recordings of the live sessions are made available 24 hours later for you to watch again
- Access to a comprehensive suite of pre-recorded lectures
- Tutor support during live lectures and via BPP's online forum

The OCR Live sessions are timed as 'half a day' and the content covered equals a half day of teaching per session. In that time, the tutor will cover a number of whole topics (equivalent to a recorded lecture per topic), as well as work out some sample questions and give students some in-class workings/exercises. Students will also be sent some home reading material and/or an Achievement Ladder step to complete.



# ACCA Course Modules and Fees

#### **ACCA Fundamentals**

#### **Applied Knowledge Modules**

The Applied Knowledge Module is made up of three papers and introduces you to the core areas of financial and management accounting as well as general business principles and theories.

	OCR	OCR Live
Business and Technology (BT-F1)	€195.00	€210.00
Management Accounting (MA/F2)	€325.00	€370.00
Financial Accounting (FA/F3)	€325.00	€370.00

#### **Applied Skills Modules**

Building on existing knowledge and understanding, the Applied Skills Module develops strong, broad and practical finance qualities required of strategic professional accountants in any sector or industry.

	OCR	OCR Live
Performance Management (PM/F5)	€355.00	€395.00
Financial Reporting (FR-F7)	€355.00	€395.00
Audit and Assurance (AA/F8)	€355.00	€395.00
Financial Management (FM/F9)	€355.00	€395.00



#### Learning Outcomes

#### **Business and Technology (BT-F1)**

On successful completion of the Business and Technology exam, candidates should be able to:

- Understand the purpose and types of businesses and how they interact with key stakeholders and the external environment.
- Understand business organisation structure, functions and the role of corporate governance..
- Recognise the functions, systems and new technologies in accountancy and audit in communicating, reporting and assuring financial information, including the effective compliance, internal control and security of financial and other data.
- Recognise the principles of authority and leadership and how teams and individuals are recruited, managed, motivated and developed.
- Understand the importance of personal effectiveness as the basis for effective team and organisational behaviour.
- Recognise that all aspects of business and finance should be conducted in a manner which complies with and is in the spirit of accepted professional ethics and professional values.

#### Management Accounting (MA-F2)

On successful completion of the Management Accounting exam, candidates should be able to:

- Apply fundamental ethical and professional principles to ethical dilemmas and discuss the consequences of unethical behaviour
- Evaluate the appropriateness of the financial reporting framework and critically discuss changes in accounting regulation
- Apply professional judgement in the reporting of the financial performance of a range of entities
- Prepare the financial statements of groups of entities
- Interpret financial statements for different stakeholders
- Communicate the impact of changes and potential changes in accounting regulation on financial reporting



#### Financial Accounting (FA-F3)

- On successful completion of the Financial Accounting exam, candidates should be able to:
- Apply fundamental ethical and professional principles to ethical dilemmas and discuss the consequences of unethical behaviour
- Evaluate the appropriateness of the financial reporting framework and critically discuss changes in accounting regulation
- Apply professional judgement in the reporting of the financial performance of a range of entities
- Prepare the financial statements of groups of entities

#### Performance Management (PM-F5)

- On successful completion of the Performance Management exam, candidates should be able to:
- Identify and discuss the information, systems and developments in technology required for organisations to manage and measure performance.
- Explain and apply cost accounting techniques.
- Select and appropriately apply decision-making techniques to facilitate business decisions and promote efficient and effective use of scarce business resources, appreciating the risks and uncertainty inherent in business and controlling those risks.
- Identify and apply appropriate budgeting techniques and methods for planning and control and use standard costing systems to measure and control business performance and to identify remedial action.
- Assess the performance of an organisation from both a financial and non-financial viewpoint, appreciating the problems of controlling divisionalised businesses and the importance of allowing for external aspects.

#### Financial Reporting (FR-F7)

On successful completion of the Financial Reporting exam, candidates should be able to:

- · Discuss and apply a conceptual and regulatory frameworks for financial reporting
- Account for transactions in accordance with International accounting standards
- Analyse and interpret financial statements
- Prepare and present financial statements for single entities and business combinations in accordance with International accounting standards



#### Audit and Assurance (AA-F8)

- On successful completion of the Audit and Assurance exam, candidates should be able to:
- Explain the concept of audit and assurance and the functions of audit, corporate governance, including ethics and professional conduct.
- Demonstrate how the auditor obtains and accepts audit engagements, obtains an understanding of the entity and its environment, assesses the risk of material misstatement (whether arising from fraud or other irregularities) and plans an audit of financial statements
- Describe and evaluate internal controls, techniques and audit tests, including IT systems to identify and communicate control risks and their potential consequences, making appropriate recommendations. Describe the scope, role and function of internal audit.
- Identify and describe the work and evidence obtained by the auditor and others required to meet the objectives of audit engagements and the application of the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs)
- Explain how consideration of subsequent events and the going concern principle can inform the conclusions from audit work and are reflected in different types of auditor's report, written representations and the final review and report.

#### Financial Management (FM-F9)

- On successful completion of the Financial Management exam, candidates should be able to:
- · Discuss the role and purpose of the financial management function
- Assess and discuss the impact of the economic environment on financial management
- Discuss and apply working capital management techniques
- Carry out effective investment appraisal
- · Identify and evaluate alternative sources of business finance
- Discuss and apply principles of business and asset valuations
- Explain and apply risk management techniques in business.



#### **ACCA Strategic Professional Papers**

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The Strategic Professional exams prepare students for future leadership positions. They develop your strategic vision using your unique blend of technical, ethical and professional skills and allow you to specialise in areas which best suit your career ambitions. Students must complete both **Essentials Exams** and choose two out of the four **Options**.

Essentials	OCR	OCR Live
Strategic Business Leader (SBL)	€399.00	€ 465.00
Strategic Business Reporting (SBR)	€399.00	€ 445.00

Options	OCR	OCR Live
Advanced Audit and Assurance (AAA)	€ 399.00	€435.00
Advanced Financial Management (AFM)	€ 399.00	€445.00
Advanced Performance Management (APM)	€ 399.00	€445.00



#### Learning Outcomes

#### Strategic Business Leader (SBL)

On successful completion of the Strategic BusinessLeaders exam, candidates should be able to:

- Apply excellent leadership and ethical skills to set the 'tone from the top' and promote a positive culture within the organisation, adopting a whole organisation perspective in managing performance and value creation
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the governance and agency system of an organisation and recognise the responsibility of the board or other agents towards their stakeholders, including the organisation's social responsibilities and the reporting implications
- Evaluate the strategic position of the organisation against the external environment and the availability of internal resources, to identify feasible strategic options.
- Analyse the risk profile of the organisation and of any strategic options identified, within a culture of responsible risk management
- Select and apply appropriate information technologies and data analytics, to analyse factors affecting the organisation's value chain to identify strategic opportunities and implement strategic options within a framework of robust IT security controls
- Evaluate management reporting and internal control and audit systems to ensure compliance and the achievement of organisation's objectives and the safeguarding of organisational assets
- Apply high level financial techniques from the Applied Skills exams in the planning, implementation and evaluation of strategic options and actions
- Enable success through innovative thinking, applying best in class strategies and disruptive technologies in the management of change; initiating, leading and organising projects, while effectively managing talent and other business resources
- Apply a range of Professional Skills in addressing requirements within the Strategic Leader examination and in preparation for, or to support, current work experience

#### Strategic Business Reporting (SBR)

On successful completion of the Strategic Business Reporting exam, candidates should be able to:

- Apply fundamental ethical and professional principles to ethical dilemmas and discuss the consequences
  of unethical behaviour
- Evaluate the appropriateness of the financial reporting framework and critically discuss changes in accounting regulation
- Apply professional judgement in the reporting of the financial performance of a range of entities
- Prepare the financial statements of groups of entities
- Interpret financial statements for different stakeholders
- Communicate the impact of changes and potential changes in accounting regulation on financial reporting



#### Advanced Audit and Assurance (AAA)

On successful completion of the Advanced Audit and Assurance exam, candidates should be able to:

- Recognise the legal and regulatory environment and its impact on audit and assurance practice
- Demonstrate the ability to work effectively on an assurance or other service engagement within a professional and ethical framework
- Assess and recommend appropriate quality control policies and procedures in practice management and recognise the auditor's position in relation to the acceptance and retention of professional appointments
- Identify and formulate the work required to meet the objectives of audit assignments and apply the International Standards on Auditing
- Evaluate findings and the results of work performed and draft suitable reports on assignments
- · Identify and formulate the work required to meet the objectives of non-audit assignments
- Understand the current issues and developments relating to the provision of audit-related and assurance services

#### **Advanced Financial Management (AFM)**

On successful completion of the Advanced Financial Management exam, candidates should be able to:

- Explain and evaluate the role and responsibility of the senior financial executive or advisor in meeting conflicting needs of stakeholders and recognise the role of international financial institutions in the financial management of multinationals
- Evaluate potential investment decisions and assessing their financial and strategic consequences, both domestically and internationally
- Assess and plan acquisitions and mergers as an alternative growth strategy
- Evaluate and advise on alternative corporate re-organisation strategies
- Apply and evaluate alternative advanced treasury and risk management Techniques

#### Advanced Taxation (ATX)

On successful completion of the Advanced Taxation exam, candidates should be able to:

- Apply further knowledge and understanding of the Maltese tax system through the study of further taxes and tax incentives, together with more advanced topics within the taxes studied previously
- Identify and evaluate the impact of relevant taxes on various situations and courses of action, including the interaction of taxes
- Provide advice on minimising and/or deferring tax liabilities by the use of standard tax planning measures
- Communicate with clients, the Inland Revenue and VAT Departments and other professionals in an appropriate manner



#### Hints and tips when choosing your BPP online course

- You can study these papers in any order within each level, but for the best results we recommend studying one paper at a time starting with F1.
- Choose which exam sitting you are aiming for. Remember, you can study one or more paper at every sitting or alternative sittings, or choose the sittings that work best for you.
- Choose the study mode that best meets your needs.
- Students can book at any time even after the start date, but we recommend that students consider the timing of starting the course versus the real exam date so that they can properly decide whether it's best to start now or defer to the next sitting.
- We advise you don't join a cohort any later than three weeks after it has begun. Joining at a later stage will mean you have significant work to do to catch up with the rest of the cohort.
- We recommend booking your exam within two weeks of completing the course whilst the knowledge is still fresh. To qualify for BPP's Pass Assurance you must sit the exam within three weeks of your course ending.
- If you are unsuccessful with one of your exams, you should re-attempt the paper at the next sitting. There's no need to worry if you have started studying for your next paper because BPP will offer you free deferral until the next sitting.

#### Accreditation

The Malta Further and Higher Education Authority (MFHEA) deems the ACCA Fundamentals Qualification to be at Level 6 and the ACCA Professional Qualification to be at Level 7 of the Malta Qualifications Framework (MQF) and the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) for Lifelong Learning.

#### **Funding Opportunities**

Benefit from a 70% refund once you complete the ACCA Fundamentals and/or the ACCA Professional Qualifications.

#### **How to Book**

Students can apply for the OCR or OCR Live course by sending an email to **info@cmbs.edu.mt** or by calling us on **2247 0737**. Applicants will be provided with a link to complete our online booking form and will be requested to submit any relevant documents required to process the application.



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