

# **Accounting Certifications Worksheet**

The purpose of this worksheet is to help you understand that if the CPA exam is not for you that there are other certifications available to help you progress your career.

Listed below are all the specialization certifications that are currently available to accounting professionals.

## **Other Top Tier Certification**

**Certified Managerial Accounting (CMA) Exam:** If public accounting doesn't interest a student, remind them that the CMA exam is for anyone looking to get into the private industry. It focuses on the financial analysis and budgeting side of accounting.

### **Specialized Certifications**

**Enrolled Agent (EA) Exam:** For any tax majors the enrolled agent exam is an excellent option for anyone looking to specialize is tax preparation.

**Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) Exam:** If a student chooses internal audit as a career path, the CIA exam is perfect for solidifying their specialization.

**Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) Exam:** IT Audit and Information Systems are growing fields and the CISA exam is the perfect complement to any student pursuing this career path.

**Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) Exam:** For anyone interested in joining the FBI or becoming a forensic auditor the CFE is the go to certification.



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**Certified Bank Auditor (CBA) Exam:** The demand for auditors in the financial industry has risen with the increased scrutiny of Wall Street and banking regulations. For any students looking to get a leg up in the banking industry the CBA exam is a perfect way to specialize.

**Certified Government Auditing Professional (CGAP):** To help make a difference in reducing waste in government the CGAP is an excellent certification to help accomplish this goal.

#### Other Certifications That Are Available

Certified Payroll Professional (CPP) and Fundamental Payroll Certificate (FPC)

Accredited Business Accountant

Accredited Financial Examiner (AFE)

Accredited Tax Advisor (ATA)

Accredited Tax Preparer (ATP)

Certified Bookkeeper (CB)

Certified Financial Services Auditor (CFSA)

Certified Forensic Accountant (Cr.FA)

Certified Professional Environmental Auditor (CPEA)

Certified Quality Auditor (CQA)

Forensic Certified Public Accountant (FCPA)



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Bottom line: I believe those who do nothing achieve nothing.

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