



KPMG CPA Kickstart

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Program overview

The CPA Kickstart program provides an opportunity to start early with KPMG to exclusively study and sit for two sections of the CPA exam while receiving a stipend and eligibility to benefits! This approximately two-month program will be facilitated by Becker and uses their review course as the foundation of the program. It is designed for participants to spend 40 hours each week in the program prior to starting client facing work with KPMG. Those enrolled in the program will receive additional support for completion of the remaining parts of the CPA exam once they begin fulltime employment with KPMG.

According to Becker's extensive research, the number one hindrance to studying and passing the CPA exam once professionals begin their career is time management – the busier one gets, the harder it is to find the time to study. Therefore, it is highly recommended that professionals pass as many parts of the exam as possible prior to starting work. The CPA Kickstart program provides this opportunity to a select number of our campus hire professionals across all offices.

Participants will be paid a stipend while they are enrolled in this Becker program as well as be eligible for bonuses if exams are passed during the program and within one year of their hire date.

Eligibility

Campus hires that have accepted a full-time Associate position in Audit with KPMG starting in the Summer/Fall season are eligible to apply. To be eligible to participate, they must also have:

- Satisfied their state's requirement to sit for the CPA exam and obtained their Notice to Schedule (NTS) by a specific date outlined by the program team (approximately July of their start year);
- Met their state's (the state in which their office is located) educational requirements for CPA licensure by the start of the program; and
- At a minimum, they must have both FAR and AUD left to pass at the start of the program.

Those waiting for FAR and/or AUD results or NTS confirmation as of the program's start date will not be eligible to participate.

Program support

This program offers the following features and support to help the participants be successful in passing the exam:¹

- Customized daily study plans during the approximately two-month program.
- Becker-led webinars to cover exam and study strategies, as well as next steps after the program is completed.
- Becker-led content workshops to go through the most challenging exam topics and concepts.
- Becker-led Guided Simulated Exam Review Sessions (GSERs) right before sitting for each part of the exam.
- Optional CPA Kickstart program Study Pods to help build camaraderie, accountability, and support.
- Access to Becker Account Managers specific to individual's state/jurisdiction to assist with exam registration, scheduling, study planning and more.

Program expectations

If selected for the program, participants are expected to do the following:

- Enroll in Becker's study modules.
- Complete weekly assignments, including lectures, multiple choice questions (MCQs), task-based simulations, mini exams, and simulated exams. The program is designed for participants to spend approximately 40 hours a week.
- Mandatory attendance at CPA Kickstart program kickoff and midway touchpoint meetings, workshops, and Guided Simulated Exam Review Sessions (GSER) sessions.
- Register and sit for the appropriate parts of the CPA exam, based on the program schedule.
- Achieve Becker's weekly completion percentages and Exam Day Readiness (EDR) by the end of each month of the program.

Application

The application period will open in the early Spring for the upcoming Summer/Fall Associate start class.

An invitation to apply will be sent to those that have accepted a full-time Audit Associate position with KPMG that upcoming Summer/Fall. Interested professionals must complete an application and answer a short essay question. For your application to be considered, you must submit your application by the deadline noted. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.

This is a competitive program that is open to a limited number of KPMG's Audit campus hire professionals.

¹ These products and support are exclusively offered to those enrolled in the KPMG CPA Kickstart program.

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