

Subject Information Sheet



Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)

ACCOUNTANCY

Course Aims:

Studying for an AAT accounting qualification will ensure that you have the knowledge and expertise that businesses are looking for. Accounting jobs are incredibly diverse and offer great career prospects. AAT qualifications are universally respected and internationally recognised. Organisations hire AAT qualified mebers for their knowledge skills, diligence and enthusiasm because AAT represents the highest standards of professionalism.

The AAT qualification can only be studied alongside three additional A Level/Level 3 Subjects such as the BTEC Level 3 National Diploma Business Studies (equivalent to 2 A Levels) and the LiBF Financial Studies (equivalent to 1 A Level).

Course Information and Assessment:

Year 12

The AAT Level 2 qualification will be studied during Year 1. The is the foundation stage of the AAT with the course introducing essential accounting skills and principles that include the following:

- Introduction to Bookkeeping
- Principles of Bookkeeping controls
- Principles of Costing
- The Business Environment

The Level 2 qualification usually takes one year to complete.

Assessment

- There are three external computer-based unit assessments set by the AAT, completed online and marked online immediately, with results accessible through your MyAAT within 24 hours of submitting the assessment.
- One external synoptic assessment that covers all aspects of the course, except 'Using Accounting Software'. This is also set by the AAT and marked externally by qualified assessors, with results available after 6 weeks of the last day of the assessment window.

Year 13

The AAT Level 3 qualification will be studied during Year 2 of your study programme upon successful completion of the Level 2 AAT qualification. The Level 3 is the intermediate stage of AAT covers a range of essential and higher-level accounting techniques and disciplines. You will learn and develop skills for a range of financial processes, including maintaining cost accounting records, advanced bookkeeping, final accounts, VAT issues in business, management accounting costing techniques and ethical practices for accountants.

You must successfully achieve the four mandatory unit assessments to achieve this qualification. The proportion of this qualification assessed by externally marked assessment is 100%. All assessments are computer based.

On achieving the AAT Level 3, you can gain up to 56 UCAS points which is equivalent to an A at A Level.

Entry Requirements:

- GCSE Grade 4 or above in Maths.
- Grade 3 or above in GCSE English.

Career Opportunities:

AAT Level 2

- Accounts payable clerk
- Accounts officer
- Payroll administrator

AAT Level 3

- Finance Officer
- Assistant accountant
- Bookkeeper

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