

Smart farmer

Agri accountants work with agri businesses and their owners to manage cash flow and tax obligations, facilitate farm succession, assess acquisitions, and help optimise on-farm outcomes through insights and benchmarking. A great team to be part of.

Professional influencer

Business advisers use real-time data and great apps to tell business performance stories to owners, building understanding, profit and financial resilience. They mentor business owners, helping solve problems and advising on new strategies.

Cyber defender

Cybersecurity analysts ensure businesses protect sensitive data and identities, and systems are maintained and updated. They actively keep organisations safe from cyber-attack and security breaches.

Financial investigator

An **auditor** works across the spectrum of business and not for profit sectors – opining on annual financial reporting and business systems, and validating probity and financial wellbeing.

Business trailblazer

Corporate accounting covers a range of roles and depends on the entity's business model and needs. There will be exposure to analysis, reporting, and planning as well as opportunities to grow with the business.

Expert mentor

Management consultants drive business performance by solving problems and finding new and improved ways of doing things. They work in teams analysing and reporting on business strategy, structure, management and operations.

Climate change warrior

Environmental accountants help calculate the impact business decisions will have on the environment. They may also collect and analyse data on the impact of carbon emissions or biodiversity loss for external reporting to investors and regulators.

Financial bodyguard

Tax practitioners help businesses interpret and understand tax laws to ensure they meet their legal obligations. The work is wide ranging, including advising on operational matters, strategic business decisions and helping with forward planning.

Crime fighter

Forensic accountants investigate fraud and financial theft or misstatement. They are trained to uncover complex financial webs and work with lawyers to prosecute the criminals who rob others and fund illegal activities. Great work, protecting everyday Kiwis.

Skilled negotiator

Corporate finance accountants focus on how to raise and allocate capital so the business can be ready for investment opportunities as they arise. This includes investment loans, financial backing and restructuring.

School subjects



Mathematics



English

useful but not essential:



Accounting



Business studies



Technology



Economics



Qualifications

NCEA: Level 3 Merit or Excellence

University: Bachelor degree in business

Post Grad: CA qualification (CAANZ)

.... see over for pathways



Key Skills

Accounting is more than just numbers & maths



Great communication



Teamwork



Big picture thinking



Problem solving



Attention to detail

Ability to work overseas



The CA qualification is highly sought after worldwide and the skills easily transferrable to any economy, anywhere.



Salary

Yr 1 – 3:

\$55k - \$70k + uni|CAANZ fees paid

CA qualified:

corporate, CA firm \$70k- \$195k

CFO, CEO, CA Firm: \$225K+

.... see over for where your CA could take you

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



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AUSTRALIAN PROFESSION

Fascinated by finance, business or economics?

... take a look at becoming a CA

Where do CAs fit in?

CAs get a great grounding in all areas of business and finance and go on to be tomorrow's CFOs, CEOs, consultants and savvy business owners. They make great leaders, drive change and innovation, and many go on to forge satisfying 2nd careers as professional directors.

They also contribute to their communities as trusted advisors and valuable members of community organisations and charities, helping navigate the world of business and government.

CAs speak the language of business and spend their time optimising outcomes for people and businesses. They think strategically, analyse deeply and report with integrity.

Where will it take you?

CA skills are an asset anywhere and the opportunities to make a difference are wide ranging. You can be a leader in your hometown, a high flyer in the city here or overseas, or working far from home building resilience and economic prosperity in developing nations. See the list on the flip side!

What is an FCA? The F stands for fellowship – an accolade awarded to CAs who have made an outstanding contribution to their community or the profession.

Where can CAs end up?

John Ryan FCA, the Auditor General for NZ, has just recently signed the financial statements for the **New Zealand government**. He comments on whether or not they give a true and fair view of the government's financial activities for the past year. Wow! What a responsibility.

Typical of many corporate boards, CAs feature prominently in local government commercial subsidiaries. At present, the Chairmen of **all** four of Dunedin City Council's **commercial subsidiaries** are **CAs or FCAs**. They lead City Forests, Aurora Energy, Dunedin International Airport, and the Delta board. The board of Dunedin City Holdings Ltd includes several CAs and FCAs too.

In contrast, right now Kapuna hospital, in inland **Papua New Guinea**, needs a CA to help build a financial system that will enable them to operate sustainably and access the funding they need to continue providing health services to their community. Hours from Port Moresby by ski plane and riverboat there is nothing dull about this!

Where do CEOs come from?

CFOs are influential members of any company's leadership team (the C-suite), driving financial analysis and planning for large corporates and many go on to become CEOs, leading vibrant companies.

CEOs need great communication skills, advanced critical thinking abilities and the business smarts to understand the numbers. The CFO pathway provides a rich and steady pipeline of potential CEOs and CAs are well represented across NZ and around the world in these roles.

What about CA firms?

CA firm principals thrive on the variety and challenges each day brings. From averting a tax crisis, soothing cash flow anxiety, advising on multimillion purchases, and reporting a shyster to the Financial Markets Authority, it is a busy and fulfilling role.

You advise, mentor and help business people with the challenges they face and it is a positive and constructive space full of interesting work and great people. Don't rule this one out!

Where do I start? Pathways to your CA

