

## ROUTES TO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANCY IN GREECE



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## WHO ARE WE AND WHAT DO WE DO?

- The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) was established in 1880 by Royal Charter.
- Our members are leaders in accountancy, finance and business, providing trusted, quality advice based on the highest ethical standards.
- Our profession is right at the heart of the decisions that will define the future, so we share our knowledge, insight and capabilities with governments, regulators and business leaders – to ensure that we are building robust, accountable and fair economies across the globe.

## THE ICAEW CHARTERED ACCOUNTANCY QUALIFICATION, THE ACA

The ACA qualification is one of the most advanced learning and professional development programmes available. Successful completion of the qualification awards our members with the letters ACA after their name – the prestigious designation of an ICAEW Chartered Accountant.

Recognised throughout the world as a benchmark of quality and valued in practice, business and the public sector, the ACA from ICAEW is your passport to a successful and highly rewarding career.

## WHY CHOOSE THE ACA?



**RENOWNED GLOBALLY –**  
ICAEW Chartered Accountants are recognised around the world as leaders in accountancy, finance and business.



**RESPECTED AS THE BEST QUALIFICATION BY LEADING GLOBAL BRANDS –** 98 of the world's 100 global leading brands employ ICAEW Chartered Accountants.



**RECOGNISED AS PREMIUM QUALITY –**  
the ACA qualification combines the highest level of technical rigour, commercial content and ethical standards.



## ABOUT SOEL

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Greece (SOEL) is a public interest professional institute representing Greek auditors. The Institute currently comprises 47 audit firms active in the Greek market, and has approximately 3,500 registered members.

SOEL is also a founding member body organisation of IFAC, Accountancy Europe (former FEE) and FCM. The Institute has established educational and training programmes to create more pathways to the profession through the Institute of Education of SOEL (IESOEL).

## ICAEW-SOEL ACCREDITED MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMME (AMP)

ICAEW and SOEL (the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Greece) have partnered and formed the Accredited Membership Programme (AMP), which enables students to study and qualify as chartered accountants and members of both bodies. This new programme also provides a route for members of both bodies to become registered auditors in Greece and the UK, in full respect of the relevant national legislation.

## BEGIN A CAREER THAT'S MORE THAN YOU'D IMAGINE

Start your journey and take your career further than you'd imagine with the ICAEW-SOEL AMP. There are two ways to become an ICAEW Chartered Accountant and a SOEL member with the AMP:

### ICAEW and SOEL membership via the AMP

**1.** You can achieve the ACA qualification by successfully completing all components of ACA training which include:

As an ACA student, you don't have to take the following four ACA modules: Certificate Level – Law and Principles of Taxation and Professional Level – Business Planning: Taxation and Tax Compliance. Instead, you will need to study for the equivalent SOEL tax and law modules. Once you successfully complete these, you can become a member of ICAEW and SOEL.

**2.** Once you become a full member of SOEL, you can achieve the ACA qualification by claiming 11 credits for prior learning and successfully completing four ACA modules: Professional Level Business Strategy; and Advanced Level Corporate Reporting, Strategic Business Management and Case Study. Successful completion will give you ICAEW membership.

### TOP TIP

ICAEW and SOEL students, including students of the ACCA Joint Examination Scheme and students studying at many universities in Greece, can apply for credit for prior learning (CPL). ACCA students and affiliates and IESOEL students and SOEL graduates may be eligible to apply for CPL free of charge for all exams that have been accredited by ICAEW\*.

For more information and to view the available credits, please visit [icaew.com/cpl](https://www.icaew.com/cpl)

## ICAEW MEMBERSHIP FOR EXPERIENCED SOEL MEMBERS

If you are a fully qualified SOEL member with at least five years' full membership and hold a strategic role, you may be eligible to join ICAEW based on your experience using our Pathways to Membership route.

For more information, please visit [icaew.com/pathways](https://www.icaew.com/pathways)

## AUDIT RIGHTS

If you are registered as a statutory auditor with SOEL/ELTE then you can apply for audit recognition in the UK under the Statutory Audit Directive (SAD).

To apply and for more information, please visit [icaew.com/statutoryauditdirective](https://www.icaew.com/statutoryauditdirective)

If you are not registered as a statutory auditor with SOEL/ELTE, but have gained ICAEW membership under the Accredited Membership Programme, then you may gain audit recognition in the UK by completing additional practical experience and passing additional exams.

For further details, please visit [icaew.com/UKauditrights](https://www.icaew.com/UKauditrights)



## YOUR STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO COMPLETING THE ICAEW-SOEL AMP

To complete the AMP and become a member of both ICAEW and SOEL, you will need to successfully complete the ACA and SOEL qualifications. Here is your guide to achieving both qualifications.

### 1. REGISTER AS A STUDENT

You can start studying for the Accredited Membership Programme as either an ACA or SOEL student. Whichever qualification you start first, make sure you register as a student with both ICAEW and SOEL.

### 2. APPLY FOR CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

Credit for prior learning is available towards the ACA and SOEL modules. ICAEW and SOEL students, including students of the ACCA Joint Examination Scheme and students studying at many universities in Greece, can apply for CPL. ACCA students and affiliates and IESOEL students and SOEL graduates may be eligible to apply for CPL free of charge for all exams that have been accredited by ICAEW\*. For more information and to view the available credits, visit [icaew.com/cpl](http://icaew.com/cpl)

### 3. START STUDYING

Start your journey by studying for, and successfully completing, the ACA and SOEL qualifications. You can start studying for the exams straight away; our flexible tuition options may help you.

### 4. FIND A TRAINING AGREEMENT

To become an ICAEW Chartered Accountant, you will need to complete an ACA training agreement with one of our c5,000 ICAEW authorised training employers.

### 5. BE ACCEPTED AS A MEMBER

Once you have successfully completed your ACA training and SOEL exams and are accepted as an ICAEW and SOEL member, you can use the prestigious ACA and OEL letters after your name.

## FIND OUT MORE

For more information on the ICAEW-SOEL AMP, please visit [icaew.com/acagreece](http://icaew.com/acagreece)

\*Please refer to our website for details of the current CPL offering. All information within the brochure is correct at time of printing and may be subject to change without notice.

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Over 149,000 of these are ICAEW Chartered Accountants. We train, develop and support each one of them so that they have the knowledge and values to help build local and global economies that are sustainable, accountable and fair.

We've been at the heart of the accountancy profession since we were founded in 1880 to ensure trust in business. We share our knowledge and insight with governments, regulators and business leaders worldwide as we believe accountancy is a force for positive economic change across the world.

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