

## **KPMG**

### **Your career in accounting**

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What is accounting?

- Common misconception: Routing and boring, bookkeeping, working alone, crunching numbers, and doing tax returns, pocket protectors.

What really is accounting?

- It is a dynamic environment.
- Accounting is the means by which companies track and report on their financial performance, as well as their internal processes. It is a foundation for running and managing all types of businesses.

Typical career progression

- Associate: 1 year – 3 years; Salary range from \$50,000 to \$71,500
- Senior Associate: 3 years -5 years ; Salary range from \$68,500 to \$88,750
- Manager: 6 years to 7 years; Salary range from \$86,000 to \$117,000
- Senior Manager: 8 years – 12 years; Salary from \$105,250 to \$165,000.
- Partner: when you are ready, Salary is \$250,000 and above.

Why else choose accounting?

- Rank 1<sup>st</sup> among the top employers with jobs offers for graduating college students.
- Evolving skill development
- Expanding career opportunities
- Professional certifications
- Global experiences
- Rapid advancement
- Benefits and rewards

Become an accountant is to be: Certified professionals; Technical specialists; Project managers; Analysts and decision makers; Strategic thinkers

Career path for accounting students:

- Public accounting
- Corporate accounting
- Governmental
- Business Entrepreneur, etc...

How to figure out if it's right choice:

- What do you want out of a career?
- Talk to family, friends, teachers and those knowledgeable about the profession
- Get involved with business organizations
- Pursue an internship to get valuable professional work experience

Some facts about KPMG

- KPMG's clients: IBM, Amazon, Best Buy, Costco, Burger King, Visa
- OC Clients: Corelogic, Gap Inc, Cal State system, Panasonic, Pacific World, CHOC, Hyundai, Western Digital, Biola.
- KPMG's services: Audit, Tax, Advisory

Are you ready to be an accountant? Quiz

- The FBI has over this many accountants among its special agents? 1,400
- According to the US Department of Labor, accounting careers are expected to grow by what % between 2008 and 2018? 22%
- What university is home to the Accounting Hall of Fame honoring outstanding contributions to the profession? Ohio State University
- Which famous athlete is partnering with KPMG to provide books to children in need through First Book? Phil Mickelson
- Walter Diemer worked as an accountant for the Fleer Corporation in the 1920s. He is credited with inventing what product commonly used today? Bubble gum
- Avg annual income for a partner in a large CPA firm is expected to approach what amount? 500k
- Which of these well-known business leaders started their careers in accounting? Arthur Blank, Phil Knight, J.P. Morgan.
- Which of the following professions can you enter as an accountant?
- Forensic Acct, CFO, International Accountant

- Where does the Accounting profession rank for job offers for graduating college students? 1

Q&A?

What do you love about your job?

Matthew: Working in a dynamic team environment, watching people grow in the firm. People development is a big thing in the firm.

What do you do to get you to where you are now?

Mathew: In 2005, there wasn't any Summer Leadership Program back then. To progress in your career, finding mentors is a key to your career path. Having good structure above and below that you can rely on.