

ASCPA Holds Student Career Fair to Meet the Firms

Arkansas Society of CPAs hosted its annual Student Career Fair on September 19, 2018, at its Conference Center in Little Rock.

The Student Career Fair allowed students to meet with accounting professionals from a variety of firms and organizations, and to learn about internships or prospective job openings after graduation. Post bachelor graduate students, and junior and senior level

accounting majors at Arkansas' four-year public and private colleges and universities attended. Representatives of public accounting firms, corporations, and state and federal government agencies were also in attendance. Students were asked to dress in business casual attire and bring copies of their resumes to be given to firm representatives in attendance.

Each professional obtained resumes from the students they met, and a list of student registrants, and were allowed a description of their firm or company profile on the ASCPA website, and a table at the event to display materials. Beverages and snacks were available during the event. To learn more about the event, contact Robin Harris, at (501) 664-8739.



Congratulations to the two students whose names were chosen in a drawing held by Wiley CPAexcel: Students **Ty Houser** at Central Baptist College, and **Jessalyn Jackson** at UALR will each receive a full 4-part CPA Exam Review Gold Course including textbook and software., valued at \$1,850 each. Also, congratulations to student **Jennifer Lee** from UA Fort Smith who was selected in a drawing for a free review course by Surgent!



For more photos of the event, check out the album on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/arcpafans/>



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UCA Students Win First Place at Beta Alpha Psi Annual Meeting

Theta Lambda chapter of Beta Alpha Psi chapter at the University of Central Arkansas earned a first place award at the organization's annual international meeting in Washington, D.C. in August, 2018.

Kylie Garrett of Heber Springs, Obed Onyemakonor of Nigeria, Nathan Scheuter of Conway, and Alyman Ouattara of Côte d'Ivoire competed in the Branding Your Chapter category of Best Practices using their project, "Accounting: It's in the Numbers." After winning first place at the Southwest Regional Conference in February, the students competed against eight other regional winners from across the world and won the competition.

Onyemakonor and Scheuter, along with Paola Ibale of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, also presented "Showing Gratitude" in a Chapter Operations session. In addition, Jacob Harrington of Conway competed in Project Run with It, a competition that required students to develop solutions to real-life not-for-profit organization business problems. During the conference, students attended sessions on professional development, ethical behavior, leadership skills, service, and professional networking.

The UCA Department of Accounting received contributions from BKD, LLP, which allowed the students to travel to the conference. The

Arkansas Society of Certified Public Accountants also sponsored a networking social for all Arkansas Beta Alpha Psi chapters attending the conference.

Beta Alpha Psi is an honor organization for financial information students and professionals with over 300 chapters on college and university campuses. The Theta Lambda chapter is identified as a superior chapter by the organization for its commitment to professional and service hours. For questions or comments, please contact the chapter's faculty advisor, Dr. Connie McKnight, cmcknight@uca.edu or 501-450-5076).



Left to right: Alyman Ouattara, Jacob Harrington, Obed Onyemakonor, Nathan Scheuter, Kylie Garrett, and Paola Ibale

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Guide to Public Accounting Firms Booklet—Now Available

The 2018-2019 issue of the [Guide to Public Accounting Firms](#) is now available. The Guide can be downloaded from the Student Lounge section of Arkansas Society of CPAs website: <https://www.arcpa.org>.

The Guide provides students with a free directory of public accounting firms throughout Arkansas, from which they can obtain contact information on employment or internship opportunities. This guide also offers firms exposure to students about to begin careers in accounting.

Helpful articles are included in the Guide on topics such as the CPA Exam, the 150-Hour Education Requirement, How to Write a Resume, Common Interview Questions, Questions to Ask a Firm, and more!

The guide will be distributed to the accounting department heads of Arkansas' colleges and universities. Each ASCPA student member will receive a mailed copy.

To request a copy or additional copies, contact Robin Harris at Arkansas Society of CPAs, at (501) 664-8739 or email: rharris@arcpa.org

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2018-2019 Guide to Public Accounting Firms in Arkansas



A Message From ASCPA Member Martha Grant

Meet Martha Grant, CPA, from Mountain Home, Arkansas who is living out her dream with an accounting career that has taken her on a journey from the Ozarks in Arkansas to Denali National Park in Alaska.

Watch the video to hear the message she shares about how getting an education in accounting can help you achieve your dreams.



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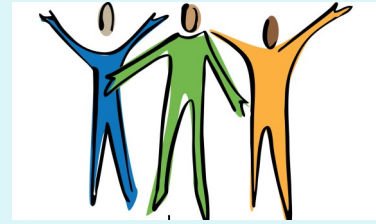


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Launch of CPA Exam in Europe - Convenience for Candidates

By Ken Tysiac

Beginning next month, CPA candidates in Europe will no longer have to undertake intercontinental travel to sit for the CPA Exam. Nine Prometric test center locations in Europe will begin offering the CPA Exam on Oct. 1, the AICPA, the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA), and Prometric announced Wednesday. The exam will be offered in:

- England (Bristol, London, and Manchester).
- Scotland (Edinburgh).
- Republic of Ireland (Cork and Dublin).
- Germany (Berlin, Frankfurt, and Munich).

“The U.S. license has global value, and there’s a large presence of multinational companies and major firms in this part of the world,” said Michael Decker, vice president—Examinations for the AICPA. “You add all that up, and ... it’s a smart thing to do to work with NASBA and Prometric to administer the exam there.”

Some European nationals may also take the exam, but Decker expects the majority of candidates at those locations to be U.S. expatriates. Candidates can take the exam at the European locations if they are deemed eligible by a U.S. board of accountancy and are a resident of the United Kingdom, Ireland, Germany, Norway, Russia,

Switzerland, the United States, or any of the other European Union nations.

Approximately 300 candidates per year are initially expected to take the exam in each European country where it’s offered, and the success of the exam in other countries shows there is potential for many more candidates in the future. For example, since the exam was launched in Japan in 2011, more than 14,000 candidates have taken the exam there.

“The expansion of testing to the European Union is in direct response to the thousands of international exam candidates currently testing in Japan, the Middle East, and Brazil,” said NASBA Executive Vice President and COO Colleen Conrad, CPA. “Now, aspiring U.S. CPAs throughout the U.K., European Union, Norway, Switzerland, and the Russian Federation can test in the same way as candidates who reside in the United States.”

The exam’s other international locations are in Bahrain, Brazil, Kuwait, Lebanon, and the United Arab Emirates. Regardless of where the exam is taken, the same rules apply. Candidates must meet all eligibility requirements, and the exam is given exclusively in English using tools and a format that’s identical to the exam offered in the United States.

“One of the core tenets is that we have consistent branding, consistent processes, consistent training, and consistent policies that our clients like the AICPA and NASBA ask us to do, so that the testing experience is identical whether you’re in Europe or Fargo, North Dakota,” said Mark Muth, vice president of client services and sales for Prometric. “The goal is the consistent, high-quality testing experience that allows them to do their best on the exam.”

Exam scheduling at the European locations is underway on the Prometric website. The [International Qualification Examination \(IQEX\)](#) also will be offered to eligible candidates at the new European locations. The IQEX is designed to facilitate the U.S. CPA qualification process for accounting professionals from other countries whose professional bodies have reciprocity agreements with the U.S. accounting profession.

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