

The Graduate Diploma in
Accounting
at Western University



welcome to
DAN Management



DAN Management edge

The Graduate Diploma in Accounting is an incredible opportunity to fast track to your career as a Chartered Professional Accountant. The three-month intensive program offered by the DAN Department of Management & Organizational Studies, leverages the academic reputation of one of Canada's top universities, with the industry expertise of our outstanding faculty.

The world is evolving faster than ever before. These changes have created the need for Canadian CPAs who have the skill set to successfully navigate this new landscape. If you have completed your undergraduate degree (or are close to it) and a CPA designation is your professional goal, the DAN Department of Management & Organizational Studies Graduate Diploma in Accounting (GDip) at Western University is a fantastic way to kick-start your career.

As a student of our Graduate Diploma in Accounting you will have the opportunity to complete the first four modules of the CPA Professional Education Program (CPA PEP) in a university setting before commencing full time employment. The advantage is you avoid the stress of studying and working at the same time. You will also benefit from face-to-face interactions with faculty, technical learning, and ongoing feedback on your case writing skills from experienced markers - critical for success on the Common Final Exam (CFE).

Our program provides graduates with strong technical knowledge and solid case writing skills across all areas needed for success on the CFE. The technical competencies of all four electives in the CPA PEP program (Assurance, Taxation, Performance Management, and Corporate Finance) along with Financial Reporting are covered in the curriculum. The program concludes with a course we designed specifically to allow students to integrate their technical knowledge within multi-subject cases, writing these in real time in order to simulate the challenges they will experience with the CFE.

As a graduate of our program you will be advantageously positioned for success on the CFE and for your future career as a CPA.

Stacey Hann, CPA, CA
Director, Graduate Diploma in Accounting

DAN Management experience



Western University

You'll be studying at one of Canada's most storied universities, world renowned for our contributions to the arts, sciences and professional fields like medicine, engineering, law and business. As a student for these three intense months, you will be a member of the Western community, enjoying one of Canada's most picturesque campuses.

The roots of the DAN Department of Management & Organizational Studies at Western go back several decades and now boasts one of the largest cohorts of students from a variety of universities across Canada pursuing an accounting career. The program is well known and highly valued among the top accounting firms in the country.



London

Located two hours away from Toronto in the heart of SouthWestern Ontario, London is one of the nation's truly iconic university towns.

The city features shopping, restaurants, entertainment and a multitude of things to do over the spring/summer term when you will be here.



DAN Management team

Industry + Faculty

The GDip is delivered by faculty who are a blend of designated CPA's and renowned scholars. The team brings a wealth of experience in both public practice and industry, as well as close relationships with CPA Ontario and the business community.

The accounting profession - including the world's big four accounting firms - are actively involved in the GDip experience at Western. Industry professionals provide mentorship to students in the program, as well as participate as judges at the end of the term for a mock Capstone 1 case competition.



"Building on the knowledge students have acquired in their undergraduate program, the Graduate Diploma in Accounting serves to enhance their technical and enabling competencies, and put students on the path for academic and professional success."

Maria Ferraro, Lecturer
Graduate Diploma in Accounting



DAN Management career advantage

The DAN Department of Management & Organizational Studies GDip attracts students from Western University as well as from other undergraduate accounting programs across the country. Our mission is to prepare our graduates with the tools they will need for their career as a CPA - strong technical skills, team work, leadership and most importantly the professional judgement to shape them to become the industry leaders of the future.



After completing my undergraduate degree, I took the next three months to complete the GDip before starting my professional career. This allowed me to focus entirely on my new job without the distraction and added stress of studying for the CPA PEP modules concurrently. The GDip allowed me to fast-track to the CFE a year earlier while the technical knowledge and case writing skills were fresh.

Bethany McKenna, GDip 2018
Staff Accountant, PWC



The GDip provides all of the elective courses, as well as an integrated course over three months. The program helped develop the foundation for my case writing skills in each of the specialization areas, and was a great transition from my undergraduate studies to starting my full time career. Overall, the GDip experience was a great asset in my journey to achieving the CPA designation.

Christopher Armstrong, GDip, 2018
Staff Accountant, KPMG

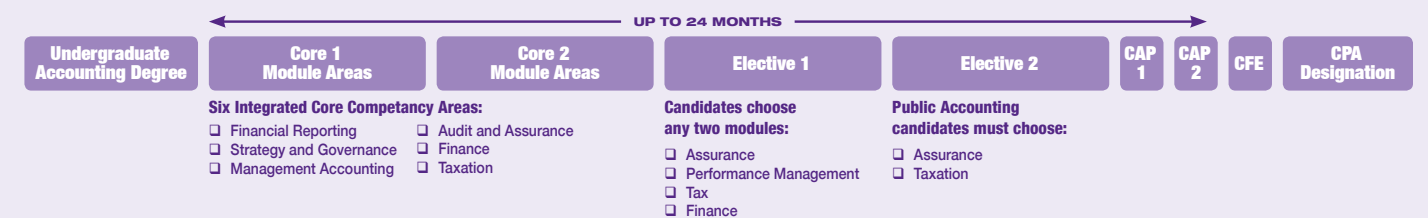


My learning experience was enhanced by the small class sizes offered in the GDip as it allowed me to build lifelong friendships and a strong professional network through daily, personal interactions with my peers and esteemed faculty members who provided immense support and exceptional education throughout the program.

Ambrin Mahbub, GDip 2019
Staff Accountant, EY

The thirteen week intensive summer program covers four modules of the CPA Professional Education Program, giving you a head start on your path to the CPA designation.

CPA Professional Education Program



DAN Management GDip



The case writing approach used in the GDip allowed me to develop a deep understanding of complex issues and apply my knowledge in real-life contexts. This method of learning was very effective for my future career as a CPA.

Adrienna Lesperance, GDip 2019
Staff Accountant, MNP

DAN Management admission

The Graduate Diploma in Accounting is designed to prepare undergraduates for entrance into CPA Canada's Professional Education Program (PEP) at an advanced level and the ultimate completion of the non-work experience requirements of the CPA designation.

The diploma is offered by the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies through the DAN Department of Management & Organizational Studies in the Faculty of Social Science (DAN).

The DAN GDip runs from the beginning of May to the end of July.

Admission Requirements

The DAN Department of Management & Organizational Studies will consider applicants that have achieved a minimum 72% average across the third and fourth year required CPA courses, a minimum grade in each individual CPA required course of 60%, and who meet the admission requirements as indicated on our site:

http://dan.uwo.ca/graduate/future_students/admission_requirements.html

The DAN Program also requires a 250-word Statement of Interest and current Resumé.

Application Deadline

January 31 - Acceptance notification by March 30

Fee Structure

Domestic Students \$9,326*

International Students \$16,534*

**Please note that all fees are set annually and are subject to change.
Costs do not include university incidental fees or compulsory ancillary fees.*

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