

A CAREER IN TAX

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Your unique
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the perfect fit.



“The ATT qualification offers an excellent foundation in taxation, covering a broad range of disciplines, and consequently demonstrates your level of professional knowledge and standards to your peers, employers and clients.”

*Connor Whelan, Tax Manager,
Mercedes-Benz*



WHAT IS TAX?

‘In this world nothing is certain except death and taxes’

Every area of your day-to-day life is impacted by tax, from the food you eat for breakfast to the road you travel to college or work on. Hospitals, schools, transportation routes, fire services and police forces are all paid for by taxation.

HM Revenue and Customs has collected over £780 billion in taxes in a single year.

With every budget the tax rules change, and individuals and organisations need tax professionals to provide expert advice navigating complex tax legislation.

WHY CHOOSE A CAREER IN TAX?

A career in tax has an enormous amount to offer, including variety, intellectual stimulation and plenty of responsibility.

Once qualified, your career path can take you in many different directions. You may decide to specialise in a particular branch of taxation, e.g. you may become a personal tax specialist advising individuals, or you may prefer to advise companies on corporate tax and VAT. You can work for a professional firm, with a business, for the government, for a charity or on your own. There are even opportunities to work abroad.

GETTING STARTED ON YOUR CAREER IN TAX

Do you have:

- An ability to think creatively
- A flair for innovative problem-solving.....
- Analytical skills
- Good communication skills
- An aptitude for numbers
- An interest in technology
- An ability to adapt to an ever changing world
- A desire for life-long learning

If you can answer 'yes' to the above questions, a career in tax may well suit you!

Tax professionals come from a wide variety of disciplines and everyone brings their own unique skills to the role.

Your career in tax will most likely start in a training role.

This may be in a professional accountancy or law firm, in commerce or industry, in

HM Revenue & Customs or HM Treasury. You will start by working towards your ATT qualification as well as doing your job. Most employers will give you time off to study for your qualifications.

To become a tax professional requires no previous qualifications and, whether you are studying or already working, the Association of Taxation Technicians (ATT) can put you on the route to become a Taxation Technician, studying at a time and place that suits you.

To be eligible to register as a student you must be at least 16 years old with a reasonable standard of English and Mathematics.

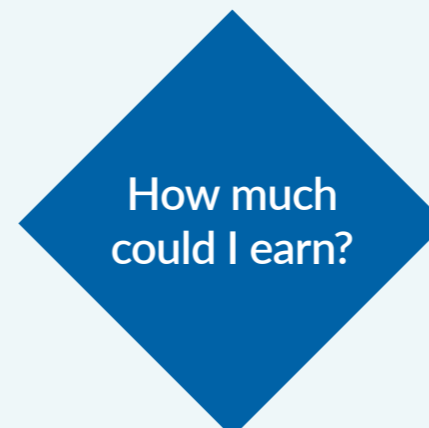


Georgiana's story

"I think like most people I fell into a career in tax. I did a degree in History of Art, and I had always planned to be a valuer in an auction house. But the things you can do with a background in tax are really quite incredible. You can travel all over the world. You can work in mergers and acquisitions. You can

help families move their business from one generation to the next. It's really interesting, and a job that I think most people don't really understand until they actually work in it."

Watch the full video here att.org.uk/hear-past-att-students



PRACTICE	LONDON	REGIONS
PARTNER	£100,000 TO £2.5m	£85,000 TO £1m
DIRECTOR	£90,000 TO £200,000	£75,000 TO £150,000
SENIOR MANAGER/ ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	£70,000 TO £110,000	£55,000 TO £86,000
MANAGER	£55,000 TO £78,000	£40,000 TO £60,000
ASSISTANT MANAGER	£45,000 TO £60,000	£36,000 TO £55,000
TAX SENIOR	£32,000 TO £50,000	£28,000 TO £43,000
TAX ASSISTANT	£28,000 TO £42,000	£24,000 TO £32,000

There are various routes to qualification, whether you are a school leaver or graduate, hold another accountancy qualification, or are looking for a career change.

Scan the QR codes below to find out more.



ATT Qualification

The route to ATT membership and a benchmark that demonstrates your commitment to the highest standards of professional conduct and keeping your tax knowledge up to date.
att.org.uk/our-tax-qualifications/att-qualification



ATT Apprenticeships

For those wishing to earn while they learn, ATT partners with NCFE to deliver End-Point Assessments for the Level 4 Professional Taxation Technician Apprenticeship.
att.org.uk/att-apprenticeship



ATT CTA Tax Pathway

A fast-track to membership of both the ATT and the Chartered Institute of Taxation, combine the ATT qualification with the CTA, the highest-level tax qualification in the UK.
att.org.uk/att-cta-tax-pathway



ATT Foundation Qualifications

Online qualifications that are ideal if you are thinking about getting into tax, or work in a complementary area, such as accountancy or law, and want to expand your skills.
att.org.uk/foundation-qualifications

There are study options to suit everyone, from classroom learning and online distance learning to self-study. Whatever your preference, you will find a method and provider that works for you.

STUDYING

Empowering students with the knowledge and skills to work in tax compliance.

- ◆ Professional benchmark respected and recognised by employers and clients
- ◆ Modular structure offering choice of topics and study options
- ◆ Route to membership of ATT and all the benefits this brings

How does it work?

The ATT qualification consists of three core elements:

- ◆ Two compulsory online examinations
 - Certificate Paper 1: Personal Taxation
 - Certificate Paper 2: Business Taxation
- ◆ Three compulsory Computer Based Examinations (CBEs)
 - Law
 - Professional Responsibilities & Ethics
 - Principles of Accounting
- ◆ Your choice of any one of the following four online examinations
 - Certificate Paper 3: Business Compliance
 - Certificate Paper 4: Corporate Taxation
 - Certificate Paper 5: Inheritance Tax, Trusts & Estates
 - Certificate Paper 6: Value Added Tax

Your achievement is recognised at each stage of learning. A pass in an examination paper will entitle you to a Certificate of Competency in that subject, with no requirement for practical UK tax experience.

Students with the ATT qualification, and who have two years' practical tax experience, can apply for ATT membership. Members are entitled to use the designatory letters 'ATT' after their name and the descriptive title 'Taxation Technician'.

How much does it cost?

For registration fees and costs scan the code



att.org.uk/students/fees
Your employer will usually pay the fees

TRAINING CONTRACT

To apply to be an ATT member, as well as passing the required exams, you will need to have completed two years' practical tax experience. This experience can be completed through a training contract, which is offered by some firms as a way of studying while working.

You will be interviewed, just like any other job and, if successful, will work as a paid employee, getting the experience you need at the same time as studying for the ATT qualification and taking your professional exams. Most firms will even cover the costs of joining the Association as a student, training and the exam fees too.

To find out more about training contracts, take a look at the websites of tax and accounting firms, or recruitment agencies, and see what options they have available.

Member Spotlight

Gurdeep Singh Dhanjal,
Tax Manager (Sports & Entertainment),
HW Fisher:

A career in tax wasn't always my plan, but I found an intriguing opportunity within the sports and entertainment sector and haven't looked back since. The qualification covers the depth and breadth of tax, and working in the profession is certainly more rewarding once you have a high level of technical understanding.

After university I was looking for a stimulating career that would provide longevity. Tax plays a large part in society, and will be ever-present, so there will always be a need for tax advisers.

Initially drawn by the interplay between tax and law, I also found the interaction with tax and politics particularly interesting, so I wasn't afraid of the challenge and put the time into my studies to complete the qualification.

Since qualifying I've seen a lot of change in the profession due to technological advancements, but the human element remains vital, with professional judgement and communication being invaluable.

Take a look at other member spotlights
att.org.uk/career-profiles



Exemptions

You may be eligible to apply for exemptions from some of our examinations if you hold certain professional qualifications.

For example: Based on the Association of Accounting Technicians qualification, you might be eligible to apply for the following exemption(s):

Examination: Principles of Accounting (Computer Based Examination). Criteria AAT Level 4 exam qualified.

To find out more about exemptions scan the code
att.org.uk/exemptions



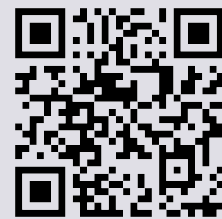


ABOUT ATT

The Association of Taxation Technicians (ATT) is the leading professional body for those providing UK tax compliance services.

We have over 9,800 members and more than 7,000 students, who can be found in private practice, commerce and industry, government and academia.

Qualified by examination and practical experience, our members commit to the highest standards of professional conduct and ensure that their tax knowledge is constantly kept up to date.



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