

Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants 香港會計師公會



# Qualification Programme (QP) Early Registration Scheme for December 2024 Session

## Eligibility

Final year students of designated local bachelor degree programmes accredited by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("the HKICPA") who:

- i. are in the final semester of their final academic year; and
- ii. are able to confirm their graduation status by mid-August 2024.

### Features

Under this scheme, participating students can <u>commence the QP in advance during their final</u> <u>year</u> and <u>may be able to complete the QP 6 months earlier than those who do not join the</u> <u>scheme</u>. It will give them the flexibility in their study plans, and also enhance their technical knowledge and soft skills to pursue a career in the accounting profession.

### Application and Deadline

Eligible applicants should submit the QP application at: <u>www.hkicpa.org.hk</u>  $\rightarrow$  Become a Hong Kong CPA  $\rightarrow$  QP  $\rightarrow$  <u>Application and registration</u>

The **application deadline is 15 May 2024 (Wed)**. Failure to submit the required documents (*please refer to P.2 - Important Dates*) by the deadline will delay the processing of the application.

#### Important Notes

- Applicants will be admitted to the QP conditionally subject to the attainment of their graduation status on the agreed cut-off date with the tertiary institutions.
- In the event that the applicants fail to confirm the graduation status by the agreed cut-off date, they will be removed from the QP Student Register immediately. Those applicants will need to re-register their QP studentship with the Institute after acquiring the graduation status in order to continue the remaining parts of the QP and payment of the required fees upon re-registration.
- The Institute would provisionally grant module exemption on respective Associate Module(s) on the assumption that the applicants will pass the relevant course(s) in the accredited degree programme. This arrangement enables their enrolments for the QP Professional Level in advance provided that they are expected to entitle the exemption of 8 or more QP Associate Modules. However, it is subject to the finalization of the course results by their tertiary institutions by the agreed date.
- After completion of QP registration process, QP students entitled the exemption of 8 or more QP Associate Modules can enrol for the Introductory Workshop together with any two\* Professional modules after they accept the QP assessment result.

QP Professional Level			
Introductory Workshop			
Module 11 – Financial Reporting			
Module 12 – Business Finance			
Module 13 – Business Assurance			
Module 14 – Taxation			

\*QP students are allowed to enrol in a maximum of two first attempt modules per exam session.





- If applicants do not complete all required courses under the approved curriculum for the accredited programme, they are not eligible for the exemption for particular module(s) in the Associate Level. Please refer to "Section 4 Self-assessment" in the QP application system for details.
- The module results attained will be valid for ten years from the date of initial registration as a QP student under the Professional Accountants By-Law 39.





## **Important Dates**

QP Session	Date	Action	Remarks
Dec 2024	15 May 2024	Application deadline for Early Registration Scheme • Applicants <u>MUST</u> submit the QP application and upload relevant documents <u>by this date</u> . <i>QP application system:</i> <u>www.hkicpa.org.hk</u> > <u>Become a Hong Kong</u> <i>CPA</i> > <i>QP</i> > <u>Application</u> and registration	Required items (scanned copy) and fee:         HKID Card/ PRC ID Card/ Passport (Marked "COPY" across the image)         Passport standard photo (in JPEG; ratio of length to width is 4:3; plain coloured background)         Completed Result Release Authorization and Undertaking Form (Please click HERE to download the form)         Latest Transcript of the accredited degree programme (exam results up to the 1 <sup>st</sup> semester of final year)         Enrolled Course List of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester of final year         Courses to be completed in the summer semester of final year, please specify and provide the enrolled list (if available)         HK\$900 Application Fee (to be paid online in the QP application platform; non-refundable, non-deferrable and non-transferable)         If any, Sub-degree (e.g. associate, higher diploma, diploma)         Official Full Transcript         Official Certificate         Credit Transfer Letter/ Exemption Letter Study exchange programme in non-Hong Kong institution         Official Transcript(s) of study exchange programme in non-Hong Kong institution
Dec 2024	Jun ~ Mid-Aug 2024 <sup>#</sup>	Tertiary institutions provide applicants' preliminary results of 2 <sup>nd</sup> / summer semester of final year and graduation status to the HKICPA	<ul> <li>If applicants' result can satisfy the QP registration requirements, the assessment result on module exemptions will be notified via email before the enrolment deadline of Dec 2024 session, tentatively scheduled on 9 September 2024. Please refer to the <u>QP timetable</u> for details.</li> <li>The applicants have to accept the result and pay for the exemption fee and first annual fee (2024: HK\$900). Please refer to the <u>fee schedule</u> for the prevailing fees required.</li> </ul>





QP Session	Date	Action	Remarks
Dec 2024	9 Sep 2024* (tentative)	Module enrolment deadline	<ul> <li>Successful registered QP students can submit the module enrolment via the Student Centre before enrolment deadline.</li> </ul>
N/A	31 Dec 2024	Deadline for applicants to submit final official full transcript (with graduation status) and degree certificate to the HKICPA by email	<ul> <li>The HKICPA will finalise the QP student registration record.</li> <li>The QP studentship and module result may be withheld if the students do not submit the documents.</li> <li>The "provisional exemption" granted to the corresponding Associate module(s) will be revoked if the students do not submit the documents.</li> </ul>

\*The HKICPA will confirm the actual date with individual tertiary institution.
 \*You should confirm acceptance of the application result in order to become a registered QP student. Then you can submit the enrolment(s) before the deadline.