

CGMA® Finance Leadership Program (FLP)

Your digital-first route to becoming a CGMA designation holder









Who is a finance professional?

Historically, being a finance professional was all about numbers. Now, it's so much more. In a world where new technology, data and digital platforms are defining businesses, finance professionals are defining what success looks like — driving impact, delivering solutions and creating value for businesses worldwide.

Where does CIMA® fit in?

The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants* (CIMA) is the world's leading body of management accountants, delivering the most relevant qualification for a business career. When you join CIMA, you invest in your career development and learning — and we become your lifelong partner through it all.

Once you qualify with CIMA, you'll also become a member of the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants*, powered by CIMA and our partner, the American Institute of CPAs* (AICPA*).

696,000	Members, students and engaged professionals	
172,000	Organisations that employ our members	
192	Countries and territories where our members live	
30	Representative offices around the world	
55	Supported credentials, designations, diplomas and certificates	
4	premier globally recognised designations and credentials – ACMA, FCMA, CGMA and CPA	

What do I get out of the qualification?

Once you complete your qualification and become a CIMA member, you are awarded the globally recognised Associate Chartered Management Accountant (ACMA) and Chartered Global Management Accountant* (CGMA) designations.

What is the CGMA Finance Leadership Program?

The CGMA FLP is a new digital-first pathway to completing the CIMA Professional Qualification. You are assessed on each topic as you learn, all within the platform. All three levels of the FLP culminate with a Case Study Exam to test your mastery of the business concepts and your ability to apply your knowledge and skills in real-world business situations.

What are the benefits of the CGMA Finance Leadership Program?

Develop a globally in-demand career.

Companies around the world demand the knowledge and skills of management accountants.

Earn higher salaries.

As you progress through the qualification, your salary can increase as soon as you start studying, and continue to rise as you qualify as a CGMA designation holder.

Gain unprecedented access to different industries and business functions.

Once you qualify as a CGMA designation holder, you will understand all areas of business. As a result, you can choose from a much wider range of roles and industries.

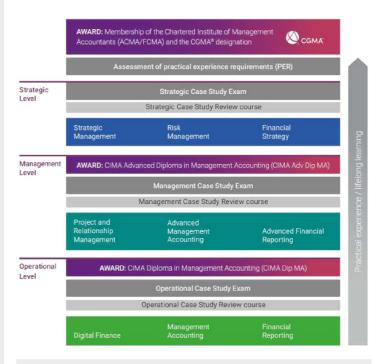
Digital-first learning and assessment

The CGMA FLP offers an immersive, personalised and highly practical learning and assessment experience. You don't just study scenarios, you build the real-world experience you need to become a leader.

CGMA Finance Leadership Program structure

The CGMA FLP is designed to give you the skills, practical experience, forward-thinking and entrepreneurial mindset businesses need from their finance professionals.

The FLP includes the learning you require to complete the qualification, both competency building and exam preparation, all in one place.



Key features of the CGMA FLP:

All learning and assessment materials you need to complete the Professional Qualification

Interactive exercises

Business simulation assignments

Access to tutor videos about how to approach

your Case Study exam

Video analysis of the pre-seen materials for your

Case Study window

Two graded mock exams with personalised feedback

One ungraded mock exam

Ability to skip topics you already know with pre-assessments

Entry into the CGMA Finance Leadership Program

Your relevant prior learning and qualifications allow you entry into the FLP at a level that is right for you so you can qualify as a CGMA designation holder sooner.

How does the CGMA® Finance Leadership Program compare to the self-directed learning and assessment route to the CIMA® Professional Qualification?

Choose between	Self-directed learning and assessment	Guided learning and assessment: Finance Leadership Program	
Standards	Both pathways are founded on the CGMA Competency Framework. They use the same syllabus, teach the same nine subject areas, test the same material and require the same level of proficiency and experience.		
Study methods Assessment	Learning is self-directed by individuals who can choose from various study methods: With a tuition provider (in classroom or online) With official CIMA textbooks and materials Online and distance learning Objective Tests — nine 90-minute computer-based exams, taken on-demand at a Pearson Vue testing centre or online	Learning is fully guided through the FLP digital platform: Entirely online Self-paced digital environment Provides all learning materials needed to complete the qualification, including exam prep courses Learning and assessment happen simultaneously. Multiple-choice questions and open-text Business Simulation Assignments are incorporated into online learning materials. Skip learning you already know via pre-assessments.	
Case study exams	Three three-hour exams at each level of the qualification that you can take during four windows per year, either at a Pearson Vue testing centre or online.		

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Progress tracking	Learning progress and performance tracking available 24/7 through Study Planner Objective Test and Case Study Exam results available 24/7 through My CIMA.	Learning progress and performance tracking available 24/7 on embedded Learner Dashboard. Track your pace to the expected exam date using the Weekly Goal tool on the Learner Dashboard. Freely view case study exam results, along with newly acquired skill sets and competencies through My Account on the learning platform.	
Practical experience requirement (PER)	Both pathways require you to log at least three years of verified, relevant, work-based experience while completing the Professional Qualification. This ensures your mastery of real-world finance, accounting and business skills.		
Award	After completing either pathway, you will become a CIMA member and be awarded the use of CIMA designatory letters (ACMA or FCMA), as well as the CGMA designation.		
Fees	You will pay a one-time registration fee, pay for your chosen learning methods and pay for each exam you sit.	You will purchase a one-, two- or three-year subscription that includes registration, learning, exam preparation courses, all assessments and Case Study exams.	

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