

Job specification

Trainee Certified Accountant – Graduate – (Film and TV) – Dublin

As one of our trainees, you can play a major part in our ongoing success story. From early on in your time with us, you will be entrusted with real client assignments and real responsibilities, whilst receiving support for your professional qualification.

The role

Qualifying is not just about passing your exams; gaining valuable work experience is of equal importance. You will work in a friendly and progressive environment, within teams of varying sizes on audits and accounts preparation assignments.

There are many factors to consider when reviewing files, and we will introduce you to each part as you progress through your training contract. You will learn what information you need from a client and be trusted to liaise directly with them as required. You may start with audit testing of simpler balances within financial statements, such as Cash and Share Capital, and then progress to Income and Expenditure testing, involving detailed reviews of production service agreements and contracts of cast and crew members. By the end of your 3 years, you will be comfortable handling audit files independently preparing you for progression to Audit Senior.

As well as exciting client work, we offer excellent training and support for your studies. We use first-class tuition centres, alongside our own internally developed technical training programmes, to help you prepare for your examinations. This is supported by our dedicated training team who will monitor your progress throughout your studies.

We promise to enable and empower you to develop personally and professionally throughout your career with us, ensuring future success as a trusted adviser to our clients.

Entry Requirements

- 2:1 degree (expected or obtained in any discipline)
- Minimum 400 Leaving Certificate points (or equivalent)

- Minimum B/Higher Merit in GCSE/Junior Certificate English and Maths (or equivalent)

The qualification

We offer a 3 year training contract to our trainees with a view to becoming an ACCA qualified accountant.

The team

Located on St Stephens Green in Dublin the Film and TV team has grown from eleven to fifteen and are currently looking to further grow their offering. The team service over 70% of the Irish film and TV market including significant inward investment projects, working regularly with Netflix, Disney, Lucasfilm, Apple etc.

You

We are looking for individuals who share our values – those who are Collegiate and Enthusiastic, act with Integrity and strive for Excellence.

The successful applicant will be friendly and approachable with an ambitious and resilient mindset.

We welcome people with a diverse range of skills who thrive when working in close knit teams and are willing to go the extra mile for clients.

You should be self-motivated, display a positive approach to work and strive for high quality in everything you do.

In addition, you should have an awareness of the wider economic context that our clients operate in, demonstrating your commercial awareness.

We expect our prospective trainees to have gained a thorough understanding of what the exams will involve, so please ensure that you have researched the ACCA qualification thoroughly and can convince us that you know what's involved and the personal commitment that will be required.

Salary/benefits

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- A 35-hour working week with flexibility around the core hours of 10am-4pm, in line with the firm's comprehensive agile working policy.
 - Paid overtime or time off in lieu (pre-approved and only where required).
 - Paid study leave (typically 6 weeks per year)
 - Twenty days annual leave with an additional day added after each years' service.
 - In addition, under the flexible benefits programme, employees are entitled to buy or sell up to five days (35 hours) holiday a year, subject to staff partner approval.
 - Working from home allowance of €27 a month.
 - Eligibility for the firm's Profit-Sharing Plan that runs from October to September each year. The scheme enables staff to share in the profits of the firm.
 - Salary reviews annually in October.
 - Six-month probationary period.
 - Life assurance cover of four times salary,
 - Contributory pension scheme (The firm will contribute 4% of salary on a matched basis with employee from their date of joining)

Saffery Champness is a firm of chartered accountants and business advisers. We have over 80 partners and over 700 staff that work from nine offices in the UK, plus offices in Ireland, Guernsey, Switzerland and the UAE.

We are bound by our shared values: ensuring excellence and integrity in the work we undertake, and being enthusiastic and collegiate in working together to achieve the very best outcomes for our clients. We value our strong client relationships and genuinely partner-led approach and we place great importance on providing exemplary client service.

We are a member of Nexia International, a leading global network of independent accounting and consulting firms. This network connects us to over 250 other member firms in 120 countries across the globe, so we are able connect our clients to the very best advisers no matter what country their affairs take them to.

Our experts advise a broad range of individuals, their families, businesses and wider interests. The sectors in which we operate include: private wealth; owner-managed businesses; real estate; landed estates and rural businesses; sports and entertainment; not-for-profit organisations; and professional firms and consulting businesses.

As a firm, we are committed to embracing a diverse and multi-generational workforce. We have initiatives in place to ensure everyone is treated equally, irrespective of their background or any personal characteristics. We strive to ensure that every member of staff is able to work and develop to reach their full potential in an inclusive and respectful culture that celebrates each person's unique abilities.

The organisation

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