

Kick start your studies

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BPP's 3 Steps to Success

BPP's 3 Steps to Success is the founding principle and market leading approach for all of our courses

Step 1: Learn

Provides students with the knowledge of key subject areas that you need to understand and learn in order to pass the exam

Step 2: Practise

Develops students exam skills and teaches you how best to apply these and your technical knowledge to exam standard questions

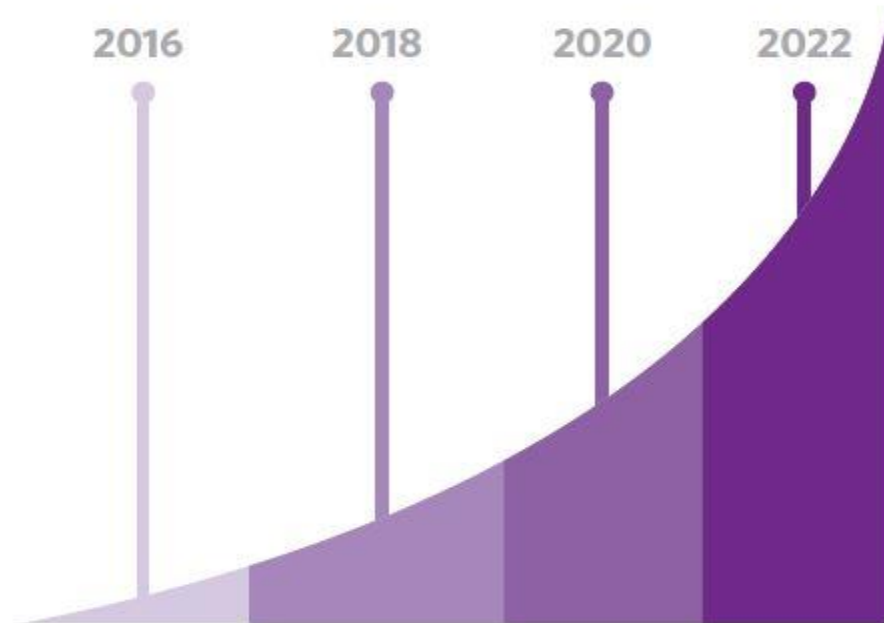
Step 3: Rehearse

Allows students to perfect their exam technique, giving you the confidence you need to apply key skills

Benefits of studying

Accounting jobs
are predicted
to grow by
13% by 2022*

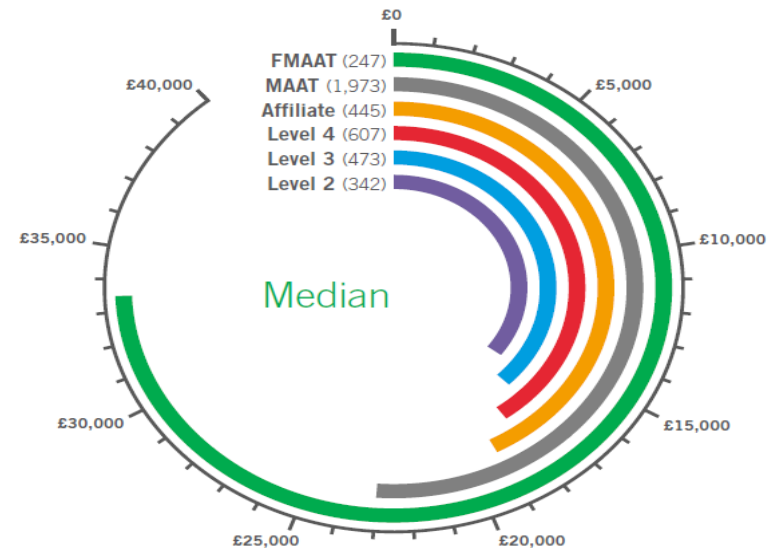
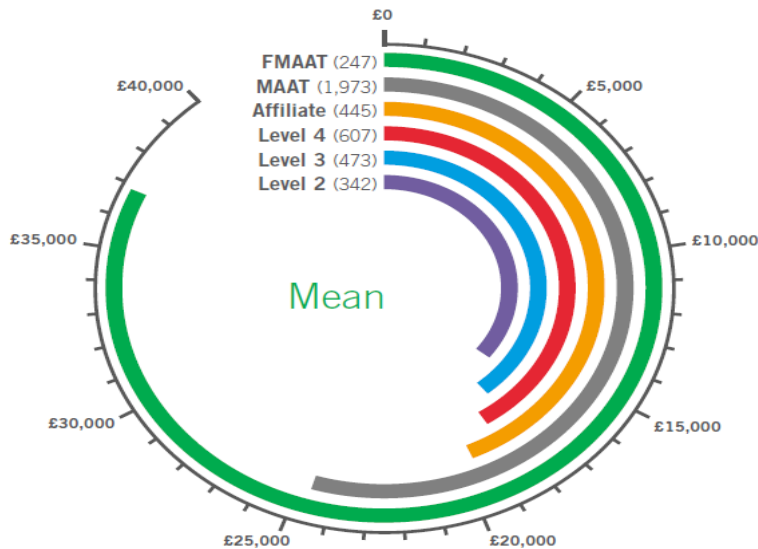
*Bureau of Labor Statistics



Benefits of studying

Average basic salary for each level of AAT membership

Base: 4,087



The exact numbers:

FMAAT	MAAT	Affiliate	Level 4	Level 3	Level 2
£36,913	£24,534	£19,458	£18,407	£17,595	£16,392

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FMAAT	MAAT	Affiliate	Level 4	Level 3	Level 2
£33,500	£23,000	£19,000	£18,000	£16,900	£15,880

* As per the 2013 salary survey

What is stopping you studying?

I took some units on the old standards and I don't want to retake them

- You may find that you have been given credit for the units previously taken
- If your student membership has lapsed and you'd like to return to your studies, you will need to reinstate as a student member

What is stopping you studying?

I cannot attend college

Then distance learning might be right for you

- If you are unable to attend college or a training provider, then distance learning might be your answer.
- You get the opportunity to study at your own pace whenever and wherever is most convenient.
- You still get full support from expert tutors and don't forget the AAT distance learning Facebook group

What is stopping you studying?

Cost

- Have you considered sources of funding available?
- **24+ Advance Learner Loans** help learners aged 24 or above pay fees charged by colleges and training providers, for Level 3 and Level 4 courses.
- Loans don't depend on your income and you won't pay anything back until you're earning over £21,000 a year
- If you are 16 years + and ambitious an Apprenticeship can take you further.



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What is stopping you studying?

Time

Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
5 Units	6 Units	6 Units

- Each level is a qualification in its own right and can be studied flexibly depending on your chosen method of study.
- Time is precious, so if you plan you can build in study time around your life.

What is stopping you studying?

I'm too old

- Mr Ashraf Ali won AAT's 2015 **Distance Learner of the Year!**



Benefits of a study plan

- Organisation and direction
- Avoids confusion
- Mini targets
- Addresses priorities
- Regular activity
- If studying online or at a distance – even more important
- Helps you become more organised and accountable for your learning outcomes
- See our earlier webinar on [creating an effective study plan](#)

Creating a study plan

1. How many hours a week do I have available for study? Need evaluation of your current schedule
2. How many hours are approximately required to complete the subject?
3. When do I want to sit the exam?
4. Produce a weekly schedule – see example
5. Find days when you have fewer personal commitments for study and produce a daily schedule for these days
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AvqSxqQI1_WFdGVsUVF4bEQyeFZra2dGNVI6QWZ5aUE#gid=0
6. Build in flexibility
7. Track progress

Example 1 study plan

- Identify your learning goals for each study session to maximise returns from these scheduled study times

Saturday – complete chapter 15 (2 hours)

review notes from class. Re-read highlighted features

make cards for absorption costing

make cards for AC v MC

make a definitions and formula sheet

re-do all lecture examples

review study text

Example 2 study plan

Saturday – 12:00-1:00 pm (1 hour)

read and highlight notes for chapter 15 part 1
compile summary sheets from lecture notes and text
write any questions in margins

Saturday – 1:15-2:15 pm (1 hour)

review standards from chapter 15
make summary notes
attempt question 13

Get motivated, stay motivated

1. Overall objective - why am I doing this?
2. Mini targets. Read a page (what is the purpose?). Complete an exercise (what is it meant to achieve?)
3. Study camp. Adequate space, chair, desk, study plan on wall
4. Study buddy or mentor
5. Distractions. Avoid!
6. Use self-testing techniques to monitor your learning
7. Rewards
8. Then go back to step 1..Why??

Tips for success

- Step by step. Don't think you have to do everything in one go! Build regular study, don't rush
- Make use of support available
- When to study
- Getting a balance
- Practice, Practice, Practice
- Motivation for success

Who are BPP

Highest Pass Rates

Market leading learning materials

Best progression to membership award winner

Expert tutors

Flexible study options

Government funding

FREE AAT Starter pack

Discounts available for booking a full level

Convenient locations

Recorded lectures with all course options

Payment plans

FREE Pass Assurance



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Getting back on track

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Before you start studying create a study plan

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