





Pearson-IPA Membership Partnership Program





Fast-track towards a global professional accounting membership with your BTEC **Higher National**

If you are studying towards a BTEC Higher National (HN) in Business qualification, you can now access student membership for FREE with the Institute of Public Accountants (IPA), one of Australia's oldest representative professional bodies. The membership will give you access to a range of great benefits designed to assist in your studies, as well as to build depth and awareness of the issues in the accounting profession.

In addition, upon completion of your BTEC Higher National Diploma (HND), graduates in certain countries* can now apply for Associate Membership of the IPA (AIPA). Upon receiving Associate Membership of IPA, BTEC HND graduates will also be awarded Associate Membership of Institute of Financial Accountants (IFA) (United Kingdom) with no additional charges.



AIPA is entry level membership and is perfect for accountants beginning their career.

You can become an AIPA if you have a Diploma/Advanced Diploma/Degree in Accounting.

BTEC HND in Business (all pathways) is accepted as meeting the membership criteria.

career progression

MIPA is suitable for accountants with work experience and holding managerial position.

You can become an MIPA if you meet the requirement for AIPA and and in addition, have a recognised MBA for overseas applicants.

Highly experienced in the accounting profession

FIPA is the highest level in the membership. In order to advance to FIPA level, you need at least seven consecutive years tenure as a MIPA.

In addition, you'll need at least ten years accounting experience, with the last five years at a senior level.

^{*} applicable for graduates from South East Asia + Japan & South Korea approved BTEC centres only.





Gain more benefits from your leading careerfocused BTEC Higher National qualification



Global membership

Gain a dual-award professional membership from Australia and UK upon completion of your BTEC HND in Business



Lower fees

Discounted application fees exclusively for BTEC HND in Business graduates to kickstart your journey towards professional membership



Continuous learning

Membership education support – Events & networking forum, IPA discussion groups, updates on industry news, job boards and discounted CPD offerings

IPA membership application process

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Fill in the provided membership form with your details and submit to your centre. The payment of membership fees is subject to the centre's arrangement with IPA. The fee structure will vary based on the level of membership and month of application.

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Your centre will submit your application together with proof of your BTEC HND certification and payment for the membership fees to IPA directly. IPA will also verify these details with Pearson regional offices to ensure authenticity of applicants.

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IPA will admit the applicants to IPA membership and a membership certificate will be printed within 8 weeks and delivered to your centre for collection. You can now proceed to create your account on the IPA website to gain full benefit of the membership.

Application can only be made via an approved BTEC Higher National centre. Please inform your course coordinator if you are keen to obtain this membership with discounted fees.

Self-application with IPA website will incur full price for the

membership fees.





About the Institute of Public Accountants

The Institute of Public Accountants (IPA) is one of Australia's oldest representative professional bodies, formed over 90 years ago. Commencing operations in 1923, their evolution has seen them grow to their current position with over 37,000 students and members in more than 90 countries worldwide.

IPA is one of three professional accounting bodies recognised in Australian legislation, alongside the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ) and CPA Australia. The IPA is also a full member body of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) and the Confederation of Asian and Pacific Accountants (CAPA).

In 2015, the Institute of Financial Accountants (IFA) UK amalgamated into the IPA Group. As such, BTEC Business HND graduates who become IPA members will also automatically receive complimentary equivalent IFA membership.





