

# LEVEL 4 PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA ACCOUNTING

Subject Area  
Student Type  
Study Mode

Accountancy  
Adults  
Part Time

## What is the course about?

The AAT Level 4 Professional Diploma in Accounting course is the final level of the AAT Technician qualification. As with the other levels, the course aims to provide you with the relevant and practical skills necessary to gain employment in a range of accounting and finance jobs.

Gaining an AAT qualification opens a world of possibilities. Accounting technicians can be found in all sectors of the economy, from industry to public services, from commerce to accountancy practices. Accounting technicians can be found at different levels too, from accounts clerks to financial controllers. In smaller organisations, accounting technicians may be the only fully trained and qualified accountancy staff.

## Why should I choose the course?

This course will enable you to progress on to a higher level of study or enter employment. Expanding on your existing skills and knowledge, this course will ensure you are fully prepared to enter this thriving sector.

## What will I learn?

You will develop the skills necessary to prepare final accounts for limited companies, along with management accounting skills relating to budgeting and performance evaluation.

This course contains the following compulsory units:

- Drafting and Interpreting Financial Statements
- Applied Management Accounting
- Internal Accounting Systems and Controls

You will also complete the following optional units:

- Cash and Financial Management
- Credit and Debt Management

You will be assessed on each unit to ensure that you can demonstrate the necessary skills, knowledge, and understanding required to meet the learning outcomes and objectives. Assessments will take the form of a formal computer-based exam for each unit.

## What will the course lead on to?



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Successful completion of this course allows progression on to professional accountancy courses such as CIMA or ACCA. The level 4 diploma qualification grants exemptions from the majority of the foundation units on the professional courses. Alternatively, you could choose to go on and study for a degree in an accounting or finance related subject. Previous students have established careers such as professional accounting/tax technician, commercial analyst, payroll manager, senior bookkeeper, senior financial officer, tax investigations officer, personal tax assistant, and business tax assistant.

To qualify as a Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (MAAT), it is necessary to complete AAT Levels 3 and 4 and to have completed three years accounting or financial work experience.

## Are there any links with industry and university?

The tutors on the course have excellent links with industry professionals, and students will benefit from these partnerships

## Why should I choose to study the course at Warrington & Vale Royal College?

Here at Warrington & Vale Royal College we have a team of dedicated, experienced staff who can share their extensive knowledge and skills with you. Learning in a friendly and inclusive environment, you will be fully supported to achieve your goals.

## What are the entry requirements?

You would normally have completed the advanced diploma course. If you have several years of accountancy experience at a managerial level, you may be able to proceed directly on to the professional diploma, following a successful interview and completion of both the AAT online skills and an initial assessment.

## What are my funding options?

For further information on funding please contact Learner Services on 01925 494400 or email [learner.services@wvr.ac.uk](mailto:learner.services@wvr.ac.uk)

## Are there any additional costs associated with the course?

You will be required to register with the AAT as a student member, the fee is approx. £240 which is payable directly to AAT.



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