

Accountancy & Finance Career Guide



Why work in Accountancy & Finance?

A career in Accountancy & Finance offers a wide range of opportunities and often lucrative packages. As constant innovation is commonplace a career in the sector means you're always learning and experiencing a fast-paced work-day. In order to be successful you'll need to be excellent with numbers and have good organisational, business and people skills. The UK has a large financial services industry which offer a variety of roles in sectors including:

- Banking
- Corporate finance
- Insurance
- Accountancy
- Financial advice and investment

Progression Example:

Finance Assistant
Finance Officer
Finance Manager
Finance Director



Average starting salary

£14,000*



Average top salary

£70,000*

Finance Manager was voted **best job** in the UK in 2017**

Is it right for me?

Forging a successful career in Accountancy & Finance requires a certain set of skills, including:

- Enjoying working with numbers
- Ability to learn quickly
- Good communication and working as part of a team
- Rapid problem solving

What qualifications do I need?

Because jobs in the finance industry can be extremely lucrative, basic qualifications to break into the industry are high. While there are always exceptions to every rule, for the most part, an undergraduate degree is an absolute minimum when seeking a job in the finance industry. In addition, many have graduate degrees; MBAs are most commonly found, but other types of master's degrees and PhDs are also prevalent.

What makes a good Accountancy & Finance CV?

- Evidence of hard and soft skills
- Technical proficiency
- Examples of value added in previous roles
- Any transferable business skills
- A demonstrable understanding of key regulations, client needs and software
- Levels of finance qualifications listed

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