

AC302 Intermediate III | Unit 4 Assignment 2

Assignment: Professional Development Activity

In this Assignment, you will be assessed based on the following outcome:

GEL-1.02: Demonstrate college-level communication through the composition of original materials in Standard English.

Attaining a certification as an accountant can further your career a great deal. You have probably done some research on the requirements for becoming a Certified Public Accountant. However, there are several other certifications available in the accounting profession as well.

Some of the other certifications that are available to those in the accounting profession are as follows:

- Certified Management Accountant (CMA)
- Certified Internal Auditor (CIA)
- Certified Forensic Accountant (Cr. FA)

All these designations specialize in areas of accounting and are increasing in numbers and employment opportunities. Exploring the requirements will help you realize that accounting is a very diverse, dynamic and growing career choice.

Visit the following websites:

- [Certified Management Accountant](#)
- [Certified Internal Auditor](#)
- [Certified Forensic Accountant](#)

Prepare a summary of your findings and make sure to address all of the questions listed below. You may use your textbook and outside sources to complete this Assignment. The paper should be a minimum of 2-pages long, double-spaced, and in APA 6th edition format. All sources should be referenced as sources cited. Check for correct spelling, grammar, punctuation, mechanics, and usage. Citations should use APA 6th edition style.

Make sure your document includes:

- Your Name
- Date
- Course Name and Section Number
- Unit Number
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Questions:

1. What are the requirements for each of the designations listed? Please be detailed in your response and summarize the requirements in your own words.
2. What advantages do you see for each of the designations listed?
3. What disadvantages do you see for each of the designations listed?
4. What career opportunities are available for each of the designations listed? Please provide specific job opportunities in each field. The following websites will assist you in your search: <http://www.monster.com/>, <http://www.careerbuilder.com/>
5. What service(s) does each designation provide to its clients? (The clients can be internal, external, or both).
6. What skill set is needed for each designation and how will these skills help you achieve success in these fields? Please be specific and relate the skills to each designation.

Review the grading rubric below before beginning this Assignment.

Directions for Submitting your Assignment

Compose your Assignment in a Microsoft Word document and save it as Username AC302 Unit 4 Assignment2 (Example: JSmith – AC302 Unit 4 Assignment2.doc. Submit your file by selecting the **Unit 4: Assignment 2 Dropbox** by the end of Unit 4.

References:

- [American Board of Forensic Accounting](#). (2019).
[CareerBuilder, LLC](#). (2019).
[Institute of Management Accountants, Inc.](#) (2017).
[Monster](#). (2018).
[The Institute of Internal Auditors](#). (2017).

Submit your completed assignment to the Unit X assignment Dropbox. The assignment is due Tuesday 11:59 p.m. ET of their assigned unit.

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Item criteria:	Points Possible	Points Earned
Provides a detailed summary of the requirements and services provided to Internal and external clients for each designation in their own words.	3	
Shares advantages and disadvantages of each designation.	2	
Addresses the potential career opportunities and shares specific jobs available in each field.	2	

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Identifies the skill set needed for each designation and the assistance such skills provide to success in each field.	2	
Writing is clear, easy to read and successfully communicates the effectiveness/ineffectiveness and benefits/risks associated with allowing companies to set up their own accounting practices, policies, and standards.	1	
Total Points	10	
Adjusted Score Points deducted for spelling, grammar and/or APA errors. Plagiarism is totally unacceptable. Adjusted total points		