“四大”：会计师和审计师的火热需求

中国公司对“四大”毕业生的热切需求

随着中国经济的快速发展，中国公司对会计和审计师的需求也在不断增长。尤其是“四大”会计师和审计师，他们的专业技术能力被广泛认可。

会计师和审计师在企业中的作用

会计师和审计师在企业中起着至关重要的作用。他们不仅需要处理日常的会计事务，还需要提供专业的财务建议，帮助企业制定合理的财务策略。此外，他们还需要对企业的财务状况进行审计，确保企业的财务报表真实可靠。

会计师和审计师的就业前景

随着中国经济的持续发展，会计师和审计师的就业前景非常广阔。无论是大型企业，还是中小型企业，都需要专业的会计师和审计师来帮助他们处理财务事务。

会计师和审计师的职业发展

会计师和审计师的职业发展也是非常广阔。他们可以通过参加各种专业培训和考试，提升自己的专业能力，从而获得更高的职位和更好的薪酬。

会计师和审计师的职业要求

会计师和审计师需要有扎实的会计和审计知识，还需要具备良好的沟通和协调能力。他们需要有强烈的责任感和严谨的工作态度，才能胜任这一职业。

会计师和审计师的收入

会计师和审计师的收入相对较高。他们的收入不仅包括基本工资，还包括各种奖金和福利。随着他们在职业上取得更大的成就，他们的收入也会随之增加。

会计师和审计师的社会地位

会计师和审计师的社会地位也非常高。他们不仅是企业的财务顾问，也是社会的经济顾问。他们的专业能力被社会广泛认可，他们的工作也受到了社会的尊重。

会计师和审计师的未来

随着中国经济的持续发展，会计师和审计师的需求还会持续增长。他们不仅需要有扎实的会计和审计知识，还需要具备良好的沟通和协调能力。他们需要有强烈的责任感和严谨的工作态度，才能胜任这一职业。
Universities help to meet shortage of accountants

In the face of a shortage of accountants, SMU’s School of Accountancy has launched a new Master of Professional Accounting to allow non-accounting graduates to join the profession as well as to provide the opportunity for non-accounting professionals to acquire skills to have a breakthrough in their careers.

Dean of SMU’s accountancy school Associate Professor Pang Yang Hoong said that there is an increase in demand for accountants within the profession and the present pool of graduates is not sufficient to meet this demand. The new master’s programme in SMU provides the opportunity for those with at least two years’ working experience and who has passed GMAT to apply.

Professor Pang said that the programme has 26 students for its pioneer batch and the intake will be increased to 30-35 for the next intake. To ensure quality in teaching, there will be no tremendous increase in intake size.

SMU’s School of Accountancy has increased its intake from 100 in 2001 to the present 230. Each year, NTU’s accountancy school takes in 600 students. The new accountancy programme in NUS has attracted 100 applicants.

Professor Pang understands that the Big Four accounting firms can easily absorb all the accounting graduates from SMU and NTU every year. The problem is that not all of these graduates want to join the Big Four firms. This is one reason for the firms’ inability to hire enough accountants and auditors.

Professor Pang revealed that in the past two years, 75% of SMU accountancy graduates receive two offers and many undergraduates start receiving offers once they complete their internships.

Graduates are divided on whether to join Big Four

Many students are unwilling to join the Big Four accounting firms because of lower starting salaries of about $200-$300 difference. Ms Lim Ke Xin, however, thinks differently.

Awarded Valedictorian for 2005 for her outstanding results, Ke Xin is currently with Pricewaterhouse Coopers. Even before she graduated, she has already received multiple job offers.

Now in tax advisory, Ke Xin said: “Many things are relative. With a high starting salary, you would probably achieve your apex sooner and it becomes harder to progress even higher. With a lower starting salary, your progress is more gradual and you will have the chance to hone and improve your skills for greater achievements later.”

The 24-year-old graduate thinks that the pace of work in the Big Four firms is very fast and she has the opportunity to come into contact with clients from various industries. This is more challenging than working for one single company.

SMU graduate Lim Xiang Long, 26 years old, received six to eight offers a year before he graduated. He was initially drawn by the travel opportunities of being an internal auditor but was later impressed by the comprehensive training and career development provided by the Big Four firms.

Xiang Long has a double degree in accountancy and business management but is ultimately interested in a career as an accountant. “To understand a company, one has to start with its accounts. Accountants cover very wide grounds unlike the specialized nature of business and finance professionals. Many of my peers in business and finance start getting worried after a year or two, saying that they have not mastered skills that can be employed in other professions.”

SMU accountancy undergraduate Ong Ying Ren (22 years old) is, however, concerned about the starting salary which is influencing her decision on whether to join the Big Four. The accounting firms are offering $2,000 while the finance industry is offering $2,500. Some banks are even offering over $3,000. Ying Ren thinks that the finance sector offers a greater variety of jobs from managing investment portfolios, stocks and shares analysis and personal wealth management.