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#### 2015-2016 Awards

**Silver for Website**

**Outstanding level of  
Service**

**13<sup>th</sup> Place Competition**

Board members Sandra  
Brenner and Carlos Chavez  
accept the chapter's  
awards in the Warner  
Division from IMA Chair



## ***Young Professionals Night***

**May 16, 2017 6 - 8 PM \$25/person**

**Trapped, 1796 Coventry Rd, Cleveland Hts**



*May 9, 2017*

IMA board meeting - noon

*Saturday, May 13, 2017*

Leadership Training Workshop

*May 16, 2017*

Networking - Young Professionals



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## IMA TECHNICAL MEETING



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### Young Professional Networking Event

**When:** Tuesday, May 16th

**Location:** Trapped—1796 Coventry Rd, Cleveland Heights, OH

**Time:** 6—8 PM

**Cost:** \$25 per person—dinner and drinks included

Please join the members of the Cleveland East Chapter of IMA at a special action packed evening at Trapped. Individuals will participate in a fun evening of networking while they experience the Escape Room. 1 Hour CPE too!



**TRAPPED!**  
**ESCAPE ROOM**



# Previous meeting

## Ethics



Amanda Armeni, Accounting Professor from Hiram College, delves into the many thoughts to ponder regarding making ethical decisions.





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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Time to start thinking about budgets. You may laugh and think it is only May but budgets and year end closing will be here before you know it. I can't believe that one third of the year

has already passed; I feel like I just finished wrapping up 2016 (audits and taxes can do that).

While 2017 may be half over the IMA chapter year is coming to an end. This is perfect time to start thinking about getting involved in your local chapter (Cleveland East!). If you would like to become more involved in the IMA I hope you can attend our event at Trapped. Trapped is an escape room experience where you will be "locked" in a room with a team; your goal is to figure out clues in order to get out. Besides fun and team building there will be a short presentation on all of the benefits of the IMA. It will be a great time to talk with a current board member about what you can get from the IMA.

We had a great turnout at our Ethics technical meeting in April. Amanda Armeni, Hiram University professor, brought five students and discussed the impact of biases in our decision making. If I were to ask you how good of a driver you are on a scale of 1 to 10, your answer could suffer from confidence bias (not mine, I am a great driver!). This meeting was also a great opportunity to meet with students and get their perspective on ethical topics. Next year, if you see the Ethics meeting on the agenda, make sure you attend.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy Memorial Day!



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Deadline for submitting information for next newsletter is the Monday following the technical meeting. Send your submissions to Carol Kuczer at: ckuczer@ddr.com



## STRATEGIC FINANCE / *CERTIFICATION*

# GET THE CSCA CREDENTIAL TO ACCELERATE CAREER GROWTH

The new Certified in Strategy and Competitive Analysis credential is designed to secure a CMA's place at the head of the organizational strategy table.

**BY DENNIS WHITNEY, CMA, CFM, CAE**

**G**REAT NEWS! ICMA® (Institute of Certified Management Accountants) soon will be offering a new credential: CSCA™ (Certified in Strategy and Competitive Analysis). Continuous learning is essential as you progress on your career path, and earning a credential validates competence while enhancing your résumé. To meet the market need for continuous career growth, ICMA has designed a program that complements the CMA® (Certified Management Accountant) certification.

The benefits to our certified members include improved career prospects, better perceived value in the marketplace, and an increased level of competence in specialized areas. These specialty credentials are consistent with the missions of IMA and ICMA, educating and certifying the world's best management accountants. Certification in business insight skills is increasingly important in a world of accelerating change and innovation. While innovations can generate dramatic value for customers and organizations, they also can disrupt the business model and result in organizational failure. Senior financial leaders are called on to apply their analytical and business skills to more strategically oriented organizational decisions, increasing the value that they provide to their organizations and leading the drive to create sustained competitive advantage. Finance leaders are forming business partnerships with operations teams to provide and use both financial and nonfinancial data to make better business decisions.

The finance team is being asked to be value stewards and value creators, combining skills in strategy, operations, technology, and leadership. IMA is especially well-suited to deliver education and certification that can help these teams drive value in the organization. This new credentialing program aligns with our goals of increasing the value of the CMA program and improving member expertise. The specialty credentials will enhance the value of both the IMA and CMA brands by providing our certified members the opportunity to expand their skill set and further advance their careers.

### NEW CREDENTIAL: CSCA

Certified in Strategy and Competitive Analysis, the first specialty credential, encompasses strategic analysis, strategy formulation, implementation, and evaluation. CMAs can further develop their expertise with such a credential that goes into depth in these subject areas. Management accountants in leadership positions have the advantage of seeing the organization as a whole and understanding the relationships among the various departments and value-creating activities. Planning, analysis, risk management, decision support, and performance management are integrated organization wide Skills.

The CSCA credential builds on these skills by strengthening the knowledge base in the specific discipline of strategic planning. The strategic planning process focuses on creating sustainable competitive advantage. The skills that are tested on the CMA exam align well with the business insight skills needed to support the strategic planning process. A specialty credential in strategy, coupled with experience, can further enhance the skill set of a CMA to enable him or her to become the leader of the strategic management process. The CSCA credential will help an individual build the leadership and skills needed to drive the strategic planning process, enable innovation, build resilient financial plans, and manage risk in such a way that the organization reaches its objective of sustained competitive advantage. The content of the CSCA exam has been designed to help CMAs master the material that's required to earn a seat at the head of an organization's strategy table. This credential enhances the strong technical skills that CMAs have already developed.





## ***CERTIFICATION***

### **EARN THE CSCA AND BECOME A LEADER IN STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT!**

#### **Summary Content Specification Outline, Certified in Strategy and Competitive Analysis**

- A. Strategic Analysis (25% - Levels A, B, and C)
  - 1. The strategic planning process
  - 2. Environmental scan and competitive analysis
  - 3. Internal analysis
- B. Creating Competitive Advantage (40% - Levels A, B, and C)
  - 1. What is competitive advantage?
  - 2. Strategy in a global context
  - 3. Business-level strategies
  - 4. Corporate-level strategies
  - 5. Functional-level strategies
  - 6. Sustaining competitive advantage
- C. Strategy Implementation and Performance Evaluation (35% - Levels A, B, and C)
  - 1. Analyzing strategic alternatives
  - 2. Risk management
  - 3. Strategy implementation
  - 4. Strategy measurement and organizational performance
  - 5. Governance, social responsibility, and ethics

#### **EXAM ADMINISTRATION**

The CSCA exam will be administered in a computer-based testing format and will be offered at Prometric Testing Centers throughout the world during the months of March and September, beginning on September 1, 2017. We expect to begin accepting exam registrations in late May, so continue to look for more information on the IMA website.

#### **ELIGIBILITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

To be eligible to take the CSCA exam, you must be an Active CMA or CFM® (Certified Financial Manager). To be certified, you need to pass the CSCA exam while you are an Active CMA or CFM. Once you earn the CSCA credential, you must maintain Active CMA or CFM status. (Active status as a CMA or CFM requires IMA membership and 30 hours of CPE per year.) Additional CPE in strategy isn't required but is highly recommended.

The career path of a management accountant is an exciting one—from student to senior financial leader. IMA is your partner on the path of continual success and advancement. Organizations prosper by creating competitive advantage, and a disciplined strategic management process helps them identify and manage the opportunities that lead to sustained value for customers and owners. What better professional is there to lead the strategic management process than a Certified Management Accountant with strong analytical skills and a deep knowledge of strategic planning? Earn the CSCA and become a leader in strategic management!



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# IMA'S STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 9-11, 2017 | MARRIOTT MARQUIS HOUSTON

Stay tuned for more information

REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

## ***LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP***

### **Ohio Regional Council Spring 2017**

**“It’s a Round Up with IMA”  
Please Save the Dates!**



### **Ohio Council Meeting & LTW**

**Spring Meeting – Friday, May 12 starting at 4:00 p.m.**

Location: Breakout Columbus 835 Grandview Ave, Columbus, OH 43215

4:00 to 5:45 p.m. – Ohio Regional Council Board Meeting

5:45 to 6:30 p.m. – Dinner

6:30 to 8:00 p.m. – Escape Room Team Activity

Hotel for Friday night: Hilton Garden Inn Columbus/Dublin

Address: 500 Metro Place North, Dublin, OH 43017

Phone: (614) 766-9900

Please mention “IMA Ohio Council” for group rate of \$109.00 per night.

Reservations must be made by April 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Leadership Training Workshop – Saturday, May 13 at 9:00 a.m.**

Location: Dublin Branch of Columbus Metropolitan Library

Address: 75 N High St, Dublin, OH 43017

Training sessions will last until approx. 2:30 p.m. Lunch provided.



# NATIONAL CONFERENCES



## 5 Reasons to Attend ACE2017

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- **8 Specialty Tracks:** The only conference offering 8 tracks designed specifically for management accountants.
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# NATIONAL CONFERENCES



## ***June 2017 Annual IMA Conference and Expo in Denver***

### **IMA Opens Registration for June 2017 Annual Conference and Expo in Denver**

IMA® (Institute of Management Accountants) announced registration for its 2017 Annual Conference & Expo (ACE2017), to be held at the Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel on June 17-21, 2017.

Attendees will be given the opportunity to hear from a robust list of keynote speakers on key issues facing the accounting and finance field. New this year, the conference will enable professionals to explore eight topical learning tracks designed to fit career needs. Learning tracks include: planning, budgeting and forecasting; small business and M&A; ethics; technology; financial close and reporting; leadership and professional development; accounting hot topics; and governance, risk management and internal controls. In addition to a conference program of more than 65 sessions, attendees can also enjoy 15 networking opportunities, including an offsite reception.

Keynote presenters include:

- Daymond John, Founder and CEO of FUBU, Co-Star of ABC's Shark Tank, CEO of The Shark Group, who will present "Achieving Your Goals"
- Tony Byers, Ph.D., Director of Global Diversity and Inclusion at Starbucks, who will present "The Multiplier Effect of Inclusion"
- Terry Jones, Founder of Travelocity.com and Founding Chairman of Kayak.com, who will present "Disruption Off Innovation On"
- Laurie Brlas, CMA, CPA, former Executive Vice President and CFO of Newmont Mining Corp, who will present "Trek to the Top: My Journey to the CFO Summit"

Nearly 1,000 professionals from large and small businesses, public corporations, academic institutions, and government agencies are expected to attend this year's conference, providing attendees with opportunities to make strong business connections and to explore new areas to boost their career in management accounting.

For complete information on the Annual Conference and registration details, visit <http://www.imaconference.org/>. Attendees can join the conversation at #IMA17ACE.



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### IMA GLOBAL CORE VALUES

#### ***Respect for the Individual***

We treat each other with respect and dignity, valuing individual and cultural differences. We communicate frequently and with candor, engaging in healthy debate and listening to each other, regardless of position or level. We work hard to create an environment that respects individuals in an atmosphere of open communication, growth, and learning.

#### ***Passion for Serving Members***

We enable individuals to use their capabilities to the fullest to deliver exemplary products and services to members. That enablement extends to being passionate advocates in advancing our global profession. We care for all members and each other - building enduring relationships and driving continuous improvement. We appropriately recognize our volunteer leaders, who are so giving of their time and expertise.

#### ***Highest Standards of Integrity and Trust***

We understand and abide by the IMA Statement of Ethical Professional Practice in our everyday actions. Our personal conduct ensures that the IMA name is always worthy of trust - our members around the globe deserve nothing less. We treat each other fairly, keep our promises, make decisions objectively, take responsibility for our actions, and admit our mistakes. We maintain confidentiality as appropriate.

#### ***Innovation and Continuous Improvement***

We believe innovation and a spirit of continuous improvement are engines that keep us relevant, vital, and growing. Our culture embraces creativity and seeks different perspectives. We behave like owners of a "business," managing risks and identifying new opportunities in serving members and advancing the profession.

#### ***Teaming to Achieve***

We encourage and reward both individual and team achievements, proactively working across organizational boundaries to always "remember the member." Our spirit of team achievement extends to advancing our professional and to being responsible and caring partners within our various communities.





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# 2016 - 2017 TECHNICAL MEETINGS

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EVENTS

Thursday, August 18, 2016	7:10 PM	Social event - Cleveland Indians vs. Chicago White Sox (no CPE)
Tuesday, September 20, 2016	6:30 PM	Plant tour at Cleveland Whiskey
Tuesday, October 20, 2016	6:00 PM	Student Night
Friday, November 18, 2016	8 AM - 5PM	Controllers' Workshop
December		Happy Holidays
Tuesday, January 17, 2017	6:00 PM	Economic Update
Tuesday, February 21, 2017	6:00 p.m.	Federal Tax Update
Tuesday, March 28, 2017	noon	State & Local Tax Update - Webinar
Tuesday, April 25, 2017	6:00 p.m.	Ethics
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	6:00 p.m.	Young Professionals / networking
Wed & Thursday, April 26 & 27, 2017	8AM - 5PM	Annual Meonske Conference Pre-Conference Workshop (2 days)
Friday, April 28, 2017	8AM - 5PM	Annual Meonske Conference

## Cleveland East Chapter Anniversaries



### Welcome New Members

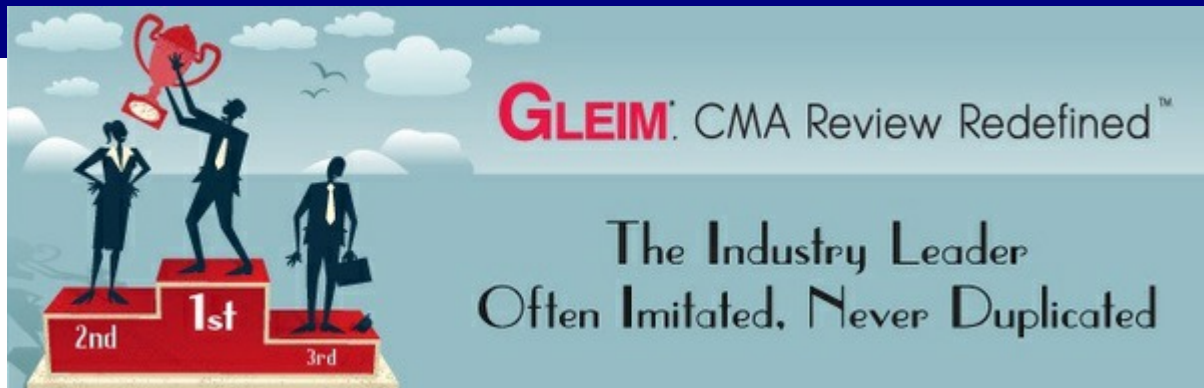
Junhui Lin  
Robin McAninch  
John Ashba



### Years Members

58	Richard Kavicky
15	Lu Yu
15	Sandra Rhea
8	William Brandon
7	Claressa Collins
1	Caitlyn Haessly

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Nicolas Lehmann of Switzerland got a great boost in his accounting career when he **used Gleim to win the [ICMA Gold Medal](#) for the highest exam score.**

“In the CMA exam window September/October 2014, I achieved the highest score out of all test takers. The foundations of this result were a thorough understanding of the topics as well as practice in tackling the multiple-choice questions. In both areas, Gleim products were perfectly useful to me.

“With the books, I got general information about the exam as well as specific exam-taking strategies. Furthermore, **the content was easy to learn given the well-outlined units** with definitions, explanations, sample questions, and sample essays. The books helped me to get a complete grasp of the CMA curriculum.

“To get practice when it comes to solving multiple-choice questions, I used the Gleim CMA Test Prep. The Test Prep emulates the Prometric testing environment very well. This helped me to feel comfortable during the two exams. Additionally, the Gleim Test Prep is packed with an enormous amount of questions about every subject. And with the performance analyses, it showed me in which subjects I was performing well and where some additional effort was needed.

“Overall, I was very happy to use the Gleim materials during my preparation for the CMA exam, and I believe they were key to my excellent result. **I can highly recommend the Gleim products** to every person who is preparing for the CMA exam.”

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## THINGS TO CONSIDER ABOUT CMA CERTIFICATION



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Cleveland East Chapter members receive a significant discount off all Gleim CMA and CPE study materials including the new ethics course. Your Cleveland East IMA Chapter has partnered with Gleim to ensure your success on the CMA exam! Working together, we will provide you the necessary study tools to prepare for this difficult exam. Gleim has been preparing candidates for success with their extensive self-study course for over 30 years! The Gleim Review System enables you to identify your weak areas so you know where to focus your efforts and GUARANTEES that you will pass each exam part the first time. Our goal is that you achieve success while minimizing your frustration, cost, and time. As a member of the chapter, you are eligible for significant discounts on any of Gleim's CMA materials, as well as Gleim CPE.

To learn more about the program, or to print order forms, visit the Cleveland East Chapter website.

Gleim is excited to partner with Tri-C Corporate College to offer a live review for the Certified Public Accountant exam. This review will be held at the Corporate College East campus with weekly sessions specifically designed to help you pass the exam quickly and effectively.

This offering is unique in terms of its affordability and the one-on-one attention you will receive. These review courses provide candidates with the tools, information, and knowledge necessary to pass the CPA exam the first time.

If you are a candidate who wants to pass the CPA exam quickly and appreciates the added value of a live instructor, call Sheryl Hunt today at (216) 987-0233 or email [sheryl.hunt@tri-c.edu](mailto:sheryl.hunt@tri-c.edu) to register. You can also check out their [CPA web page](#) for more information.

Class size is limited, so register NOW to reserve your seat.

## THE GOLD STANDARD



### Salary

Findings of IMA's 20th Annual Salary Survey indicate that professionals holding IMA's CMA certification have greater earning power - 24% higher in salary and 31% higher in total compensation - than their non-certified colleagues. These findings appear in the June 2009 issue of IMA's *Strategic Finance* magazine.

### Competitive Advantage

Businesses around the world rely on CMAs for accounting, finance and information management and most importantly, for the strategic planning and business solutions provided by these qualified professionals. Companies such as 3M, Boeing, DaimlerChrysler, DuPont, Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Johnson & Johnson, Milliken and Procter & Gamble recognize that employing CMAs helps to improve company performance in aggressive global business arena.



### Review Schedule Based on Gleim Publications Corporate College:

- For the CMA Exam the review for each part of the exam is about six weeks.
- The class meets initially for a 1-hour orientation.
- 5 more meetings, one a week, for 3 hours each.
- Students will take the exam part covered by the review within 2 weeks of the last live class.
- The review for each successive exam part begins 1 to 2 weeks after the review for the previous parts ends.

### Personal Satisfaction

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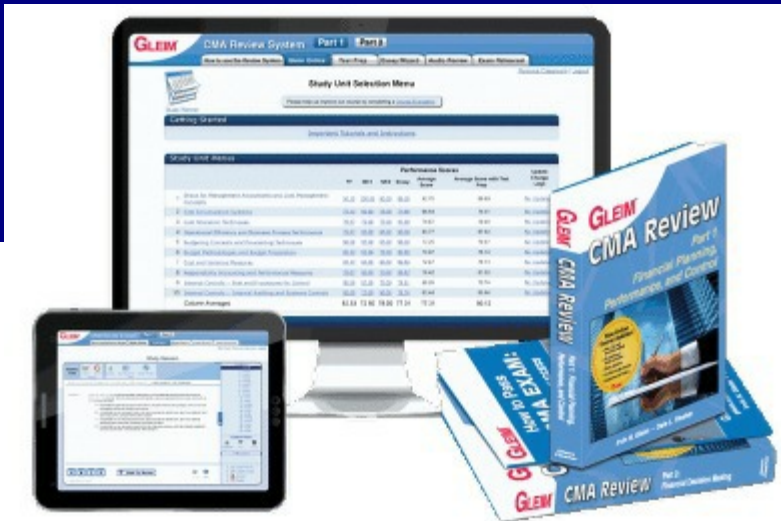
### Professional Recognition

The CMA designation represents a broad business competency and mastery of the management-level skills required to add value, drive business performance, and build quality financial practices within organizations. The program objectively tests and validate expertise in areas essential to analyzing, managing and evaluating business solutions that contribute to the success of an organization. The CMA credential indicates a commitment to excellence based on a strong, ethical foundation and dedication to lifelong learning.

**Start On Your Road  
to CMA Certification Now!**







...Gleim is pleased to announce many new exciting updates to the Gleim CMA Review course. The CMA Gleim Online course has been expanded with more multiple-choice questions, essays, and updates to the digital book. For the first time ever, Gleim has included supplemental videos in the online course, which feature Dr. Passard Dean, CMA.

### [Save 15% on the newly updated Gleim CMA Review System.](#)

Over 150 new multiple-choice questions are now available in Gleim CMA Review, which includes the largest test bank in the industry. There are now over 3,100 ICMA-released and expertly authored questions in Gleim Test Prep. CMA candidates will also notice new functionality within Test Prep. While working in Gleim Study Sessions within Test Prep, candidates can now open and reference the digital book while answering questions. This functionality is particularly useful if candidates are frequently missing questions or need more clarification on certain topics.

The Gleim CMA Review System also now features 20% more essays. CMA candidates can practice answering exam-emulating essays in the Gleim Online Course and in the Gleim Essay Wizard.

Supplemental videos, featuring Dr. Passard Dean, CMA and Professor of Accounting at St. Leo University, will be available in the Gleim Online course starting in early April. These videos feature detailed walk-throughs of the multiple-choice questions that candidates find to be the most difficult. [Click here](#) to see a sample of the type of videos that will be added to the Gleim Online course.

Updates have been made to the Gleim CMA Review digital book to include improvements based on candidate feedback as well as more elaboration on key topics. The Gleim materials are written by professional educators, Dr. Gleim and Dr. Flesher, who have over six decades of combined teaching experience. Dr. Gleim was recently recognized by the Fisher School of Accounting at the University of Florida, a top ten accounting school, for his "renowned accounting [materials] that to this day are the field's authoritative learning resource."

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Evolve into a strategic business partner committed to a standard of excellence grounded on a strong ethical foundation and a lifelong commitment to learning.

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### **VISION STATEMENT**

The world's leading association for management accounting and finance professionals.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

To provide a dynamic forum for management accounting and finance professionals to develop and advance their careers through certification, research and practice development, education, networking, and the advocacy of the highest ethical and professional practices.



# IMA NATIONAL

## PUBLICATIONS

### Strategic Finance

IMA's flagship publication is an award-winning monthly magazine that provides the latest information about practices and trends in finance, accounting, and information management.

### Management Accounting Quarterly

MAQ is a quarterly, refereed online journal that contains in-depth articles by and for academics and practitioners of accounting and financial management.

### IMA Educational Case Journal

The IECJ® is a quarterly, online journal whose mission is to publish teaching cases in management accounting and related fields.

## PROGRAMS

### Educator Resources

IMA provides special tools and resources for the professionals who are developing the industry's future leaders. Academic members have access to IMA's ethics curriculum, case studies, webinars, research grants, mentor program, and many other teaching resources.

### Leadership Academy

The IMA Leadership Academy is designed to assess your leadership status, enhance your skills and recognize your leadership achievements.

### IMA Webinars

IMA's Inside Talk Webinar Series is a highly popular monthly webinar series that explores relevant topics from your professional and delivers timely information to broaden your knowledge and improve your performance.

## NETWORKING

### LinkUp IMA

The online professional network created exclusively for IMA members allows you to participate in groups related to topic areas or industries, IMA regional chapters and councils, subject matter and CMA study groups. You can post announcements and events, utilize share workspaces, find jobs and more.

### LinkedIn

Strengthens and extends your existing network of trusted contacts. It is a networking tool that helps you discover inside connections to re-connect with colleagues and classmates, power your career and get answers.

IMA's mission is to provide a forum for research, practice development, education, knowledge sharing, and the advocacy of the highest ethical and best business practices in management accounting and finance.

We do this by:

- Offering a rigorous, highly respected credential - the CMA - that recognizes and rewards expertise
- Building a peer network of professional relationships to share industry experience, access career opportunities, and make business contacts to last a lifetime
- Providing extensive education programs to advance professional knowledge, increase leadership potential, and satisfy CPE requirements
- Giving a voice to the profession with insightful and timely journals and newsletters
- Promoting leading-edge research and industry best practices
- Advocating for the profession in a challenging regulatory environment

IMA currently represents more than 60,000 accountants and financial professionals in business. The participation of each of our members makes the success of our mission possible.

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## Power Your Potential

IMA is the resource for developing, certifying, and connecting the world's best accountants and financial professionals working in business.

## What is management accounting?

Did you know that many accounting grads begin their careers in public accounting firms, but the majority of those leave in just a few years?

The fact is nearly 75% of financial professionals work in business as management accountants: financial analysts, controllers, treasurers, and chief financial officers. Management accountants provide critical insights on ethical and regulatory requirements and are integral to business strategy and decision-making. Gain leadership experience, explore your future career options, and build your résumé and professional network. With the right preparation and training, you will be equipped with real-world competencies that will make you ready for the challenges you'll face immediately on the job.

## Membership Benefits

- Differentiate yourself by taking the CMA exam while still in school
- Develop leadership skills to build your résumé
- Enjoy all member benefits at a significantly reduced rate

## Student Testimonial

"I knew I wanted to major in accounting, and I wanted to make a difference, but I just didn't know how to build on that. That's how I knew I wanted to start a student chapter on my campus." - Kevin Cornwell, President, University of Texas at Dallas Student Chapter



# Continuing Professional Education

**Inside Talk:** Our highly popular monthly series on timely, emerging issues and relevant topics such as technology, data analytics, revenue recognition, expense reporting and continuous accounting

**IMA's Leadership Academy:** Hosts a monthly webinar series that empowers entry- and intermediate-level management accountants to become leaders within the profession

## Webinar Schedule

### The Six Skills Accountants Need to Survive the Robot Uprising

Inside Talk

May 15, 2017 01:00 PM - 02:00 PM

Login at [www.imanet.org](http://www.imanet.org) to Register

### Managing the Transparent Company of the Future

Inside Talk

May 31, 2017 01:00 PM - 2:00 PM

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### Perspective and Creativity

Leadership Academy

May 02, 2017 01:00 PM - 02:30

Login at [www.imanet.org](http://www.imanet.org) to Register

## Webinar Archives

IMA Members:

Play past webinars on LinkUp IMA.

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## Webinar Policies

- Webinars use standard Web browser technology and audio broadcasting
- With full attendance, you may download a PDF certificate of completion
- It may take up to 30 days for your CPE credit to be reflected in your transcript
- Replay webinars are in the archive 5-10 days after the live event but do not earn credits

# Continuing Professional Education



## *New courses included in the Gleim Online CPE*

- Accounting for Investments
- Accounting for Property, Plant, and Equipment
- Adjustments to Income Tax Liability: Credits, Alternative Minimum Tax, FICA (2015)
- Audit Evidence: Applications
- Calculating Tax Liability for C Corporations (2015)
- Choosing the Best Entity for a New Business
- Compilation of Financial Statements -- Clarified Standards
- Corporate: S Corporation Formation and Operation (2015)
- Corporate: Taxable Income (2015)
- Cost Accumulation Systems -- Traditional
- Estates, Trusts, and Wealth Transfer (2015)
- Ethics for Tax Practitioners
- Financial Statements: Disclosures
- Fraud and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
- High-Income Employees: Highly Compensated Employees Hot Spots
- Hot Topics for Landlords: Residential Property Investors (2015)
- Individual: Above-the-Line Deductions and Losses (2015)
- Individual: Accounting Methods, Filing Status, and Personal Exemptions (2015)
- Individual: Business Expenses/Losses (2015)
- Individual: Exclusions from GI (2015)
- Individual: Gross Income (2015)
- Internal Control: Basic Concepts for the External Auditor
- Introduction to Financial Statement Analysis
- Leases
- Limited Liability Companies
- Payroll (2015)
- Reporting Income from Debt Cancellation
- Review of Financial Statements -- Clarified Statements
- Saving Your Clients Money and Getting Repeat Business: Tax Planning (2015)
- Schedule C Hot Spots: Sole Proprietors (2015)
- Self-Employed Payroll Hot Spots: S Corporation and LLC Compensation (2015)
- Staying Current with Tax Laws: Federal Tax Update (2015)
- Tax Procedures (2015)
- Valuing Inventory to Avoid Poor Pricing Decisions
- What You Need to Know about Tangible Property Changes: Final Tangible Property Regulations (2015)

View these new courses as well as our entire listing of over 75 courses including those which cover Accounting, Auditing, Regulatory Ethics, Management, Business Law, and Taxation at <http://www.gleim.com/accounting/cpe>.

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