

CERTIFIED BOARD AUDIT COMMITTEE PROFESSIONAL (CBACP)

COURSE OVERVIEW

In today's world of heightened accountability and public scrutiny, board members are called upon to do more than oversee — they must inspire confidence, uphold integrity, and protect stakeholder trust. The Certified Board Audit Committee Professional (CBACP) program is a transformative learning journey that empowers professionals to serve as the ethical backbone of corporate governance. Participants will explore how effective audit committees shape financial transparency, strengthen internal control, and ensure strategic resilience. Through powerful real-world insights, peer learning, and case-based reflection, this course develops leaders who can ask the right questions — and guide organizations toward responsible, sustainable success.

TARGET COMPETENCIES

- Corporate Governance Foundations
- Audit Committee Leadership
- Financial Oversight Practices
- Risk and Control Governance
- Regulatory and Compliance Insight
- Ethical and Strategic Decision-Making
- Stakeholder Reporting and Transparency

COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Define the role and responsibilities of audit committees within governance frameworks.
- Evaluate internal and external audit functions for effective oversight.
- Interpret key financial statements and disclosures with a governance perspective.
- Assess risk management systems and internal control environments.
- Strengthen ethical decision-making and boardroom judgment.
- Align audit committee practices with international governance standards.
- Oversee compliance programs and emerging regulatory requirements.
- Enhance transparency and communication with key stakeholders.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This program is designed for professionals who aspire to make a difference where it matters most — in the boardroom. It is ideal for current and future audit committee members who seek to elevate their impact, senior executives who serve as trusted advisors to boards, and governance professionals who aim to strengthen transparency and accountability in their institutions. Whether you are a director, CFO, chief audit executive, compliance officer, or policy regulator, this course will help you refine your judgment, enhance your influence, and align your organization's purpose with the principles of ethical leadership and trust.

COURSE METHODOLOGY

The program combines interactive case discussions, peer board simulations, expert-led dialogues, and reflective exercises — creating a dynamic environment where participants learn from global best practices and each other's real boardroom experiences.

COURSE OUTLINE

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FOUNDATIONS

- Understanding governance structures and board roles
- The audit committee's place within the governance ecosystem
- Principles of accountability, transparency, and integrity
- Global governance frameworks: OECD, COSO, and IIA standards
- Distinguishing board, management, and audit responsibilities

AUDIT COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP

- Defining the leadership mandate of audit committees
- Building effective committee charters and agendas
- Dynamics of boardroom decision-making and collaboration
- Skills and attributes of successful audit committee members
- Chairmanship effectiveness and stakeholder engagement

FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT PRACTICES

- Reviewing financial statements and disclosures
- Assessing accounting judgments and estimates
- Ensuring external audit quality and independence
- Detecting signs of earnings management or misreporting
- Evaluating financial integrity through KPIs and trends

RISK AND CONTROL GOVERNANCE

- Linking risk management to strategic oversight
- Understanding internal control frameworks and assurance lines
- Reviewing risk appetite and tolerance at the board level
- Evaluating reports from internal and external auditors
- Ensuring continuous improvement in control effectiveness

REGULATORY AND COMPLIANCE INSIGHT

- Mapping key regulatory frameworks impacting audit committees
- Monitoring compliance systems and reporting obligations
- Understanding whistleblowing, investigation, and remediation processes
- Oversight of anti-corruption and anti-money laundering programs
- Anticipating governance challenges from ESG and AI regulation

ETHICAL AND STRATEGIC DECISION-MAKING

- Embedding ethical judgment in board deliberations
- Balancing fiduciary duty with organizational sustainability
- Managing conflicts of interest with transparency
- Aligning governance with long-term strategic value
- Enhancing decision quality under uncertainty

STAKEHOLDER REPORTING AND TRANSPARENCY

- Best practices in board and audit committee reporting
- Communicating assurance outcomes to shareholders and regulators
- Crafting impactful audit committee disclosures in annual reports
- Managing public trust and corporate reputation
- Integrating ESG assurance and sustainability reporting oversight

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