# The Accounting and Business Management Case Competition 2011-2012

Tertiary Institute Group



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## Introduction

The HKIAAT Accounting and Business Management Case Competition 2011-2012 aims to develop sub-degree students' ability in using accounting information for business development and to improve their soft skills as required by today's business world. Since its inauguration in 2002, the case competition has become one of the most reputable events of its kind.

This year, we are collaborating with the China General Chamber of Commerce (CGCC), a national-level industrial organization approved by the State Council and registered with the Ministry of Civil Affairs of the PRC, to introduce the case competition to college students from the PRC. Students who enter the final of the China Business Skills Competition organized by the CGCC will be invited to join our case competition, and the most outstanding PRC team(s) will compete alongside the Hong Kong merit teams for the championship on the oral presentation day.

#### Selected company

Ocean Park Corporation (Ocean Park)

#### Five great reasons to join

#### 1. Internship opportunity

The Hong Kong winning team will be awarded an internship, allowing them to gain valuable work experience from Ocean Park.

#### 2. "Young reporters" programme

The champion team will meet and interact with CPAs to widen their horizons and use the results of their interviews to write articles for the HKIAAT's e-newsletter.

#### 3. Company visit

Winning teams will visit Ocean Park to gain a better understanding of the workplace environment.

#### 4. Real world experience

Participating teams can learn how to analyze a real-life business situation and apply what they have learned in the classroom to identify possible strategies for a corporation's future planning.

#### 5. Free seminars

Participants will be invited to attend free-of-charge business seminars and workshops to improve their technical and soft skills.

#### Competition format

The competition will consist of two rounds:

#### 1st round - Written report

 Each participating team is required to submit a written report in English giving recommendations on strategies to sustain the growth of Ocean Park.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> round - Oral presentation

- A total of six merit teams from Hong Kong and PRC will be shortlisted to give a 15-minute oral presentation to the adjudicators on the key points from their written reports.
- The oral presentation will be in English.

#### **Awards**

Champion team

1st Runner-up team

2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up team

Best presenter

Best written report

Outstanding Performance teams : \$4,000 cash prize and individual trophies

: \$3,000 cash prize and individual trophies

: \$2,000 cash prize and individual trophies

: \$1,000 cash prize and individual trophies

: \$500 cash prize and trophy

Merit teams (3 awards): Trophy for each team : Certificate for each team

A certificate of participation will be issued to all participants who submit a report.



Award presentation ceremony



#### Judging criteria

- 1. Written report
- Content (60%)
  - Problem identification
  - Clear discussion and decision focus
  - Adequacy of research
  - Sound theoretical and practical justification for recommendations
  - Analytical approach and style
  - Validity of conclusions
- Form (20%)
  - Writing style, report organization and references
  - Presentation style
- Creativity of problem solving (20%)
- \* Judges will also take into consideration students' performance in the Q&A session.

- 2. Public oral presentation
- Written report (20%)
- Content (50%)\*
  - Completeness of content
  - Problem identification
  - Clear discussion and decision focus
  - Validity of conclusions
  - Responsiveness to questions
- Presentation skills (30%)\*
  - Professionalism of presentation (including use of visual aids)
  - Verbal and non-verbal skills
  - Time allocation and teamwork

#### Competition schedule

Announcement of questions for written report (Available on the HKIAAT website)			
Briefing session			
Registration deadline			
Free-of-charge business seminar			
Deadline for submission of written report (PRC teams)			
Deadline for submission of written report (Hong Kong teams)			
Announcement of outstanding performance teams and finalist tea to take part in the oral presentation			
Presentation skills workshop# (For Hong Kong finalist teams only)			
April 2012 Oral presentation competition and award presentation ceremon			

<sup>#</sup> Details of workshop will be announced in due course.

#### Eligibility

- Admission to the competition is on a team basis.
   Students are required to form teams of three to four members, all of whom must study at the same institute.
- There is no limit on the number of participating teams from each institute.

#### **PRC**

 PRC college students who have entered the final round of China Business Skills Competition organized by China General Chamber of Commerce are eligible to participate in this competition.

#### Hong Kong

- Prospective AAT (PAAT) Club members who are studying full-time sub-degree programmes in Hong Kong are eligible to participate in this competition.
- Non-PAAT Club members are also welcome to join the competition. The PAAT Club membership application is included as part of the competition registration. Visit www.hkiaat.org for details of the PAAT Club and benefits for members.

#### Business seminar









<sup>\*\*</sup> Venue of oral presentation and application details for attending the competition will be announced later.

#### Briefing session

Date : Wed, 9 November 2011
Time : 3:30 – 4:00 pm

Venue : HKIAAT, 27/F, Wu Chung House, Queen's Road East, Wanchai

Registration deadline: Mon, 1 November 2011

Free business seminar	Free	bus	iness	sem	inar
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Date : Sat, 3 December 2011

Time : 9:30 am -12:30 pm

Topics : Analyzing financial reports
Operation of Ocean Park Corporation
Business proposal writing

Venue : Caritas Kowloon Community Hall – 3/F., 256A Prince Edward Road , Kowloon

Registration deadline: Mon, 14 November 2011

If you are interested in joining the above events, please visit www.hkiaat.org for online registration.

#### Registration procedure

- You may submit your registration online or by fax, no later than 14 November 2011.
- For PRC students, please contact CGCC for registration details.

#### Go to www.hkiaat.org → "Accounting and Business Management Case Competition" →"Tertiary Institute Group" to register online or to download the registration form.

#### Submission of written report

- Each team should submit a written report in English of 15 to 20 pages of A4.
- Submission of completed questionnaire and written report:

PRC teams: submit to the CGCC by hand or by post on or before 5:00pm, 1 February 2012.

Hong Kong teams: submit to the HKIAAT by hand or by post on or before 5:00pm, 13 February 2012.

For reports that are submitted by post, the postmark date has to be two days before the deadline.

#### Organizer

The Accounting and Business Management Case Competition 2011-2012 is organized by the Hong Kong Institute of Accredited Accounting Technicians Limited (HKIAAT). The HKIAAT is a subsidiary of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the only statutory licensing body of accountants in Hong Kong) and was set up in 1988. Its principal activities are the

award of the "Accredited Accounting Technician" qualification through professional examinations, offering premier member and student services, accrediting relevant sub-degree qualifications and promoting the study of accountancy among sub-degree holders and secondary school students.

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