

# Upskill with the CMA

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#### Webinar Features

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#### Today's Presenters



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## Randall Kurtz's Biography

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#### Panelists



David Barnett, CMA, CPA
Corporate Controller and HR Manager
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Brant Parker, CMA, CPA, CIA

VP of FP&A

Next Bank Capital, Inc.



Jevonne Shepherd, CMA, MBA, CIA, PMP Manager Deloitte

### David Barnett's Biography

- David Barnett is currently the Corporate Controller and HR Manager for NetAlly in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He is an accountant, speaker, author, and consultant, and has worked for companies such as Johnson & Johnson, NetAlly, and Fiskars.
- David joined the faculty of the IMA Leadership Academy in 2017.
- He has spoken around the country on topics including Remote Work and Remote Teams, Excel, Company Culture, Goal Setting, Time-Management, Employee Engagement, Leadership, Networking, and more.

#### Brant Parker's Biography

- Brant Parker has worked in the accounting and finance industry for nearly a
  decade and is currently the Vice President of Financial Planning & Analysis
  at NexBank Capital, a large commercial bank based in Dallas, Texas.
- Brant earned his undergraduate degree in accounting and MBA from Northeastern State University and is a graduate of the Financial Manager's Program at the University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Banking. He is a licensed CPA in the states of Arkansas and Oklahoma and has obtained his CMA and CIA certifications.

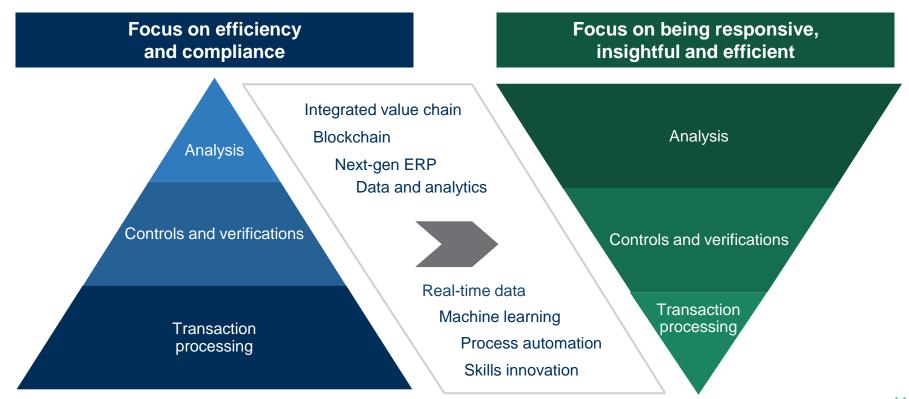
## Jevonne Shepherd's Biography

- Jevonne Shepherd is a manager for Deloitte in Los Angeles, CA.
- She holds an undergraduate degree from UCLA and earned an MBA from Cal State Northridge. In addition to being a CMA, she holds the CIA and PMP certifications.
- Ms. Shepherd is President of the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Black MBA Association.

#### Learning Objectives

- 1. Describe the changing role of the modern CFO's organization.
- 2. Recognize the benefits of earning the CMA.
- 3. Explain the content and structure of the CMA exam.
- 4. List the steps to becoming a CMA.
- 5. Use CMA competencies to develop the talent in your finance organization.

#### **Business and Finance Transformation**



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#### Poll Question 1:

# Where is your organization in its finance transformation journey?

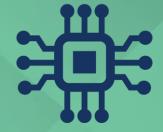
- a. Just getting started, our organization resembles the pyramid
- b. We have begun implementing tools to provide analysis
- c. We are organized to provide analysis, be business partners and support decision making
- d. Not sure

#### Poll Question 1 Results: (Placeholder)

## Getting Future Ready



Automation is not coming. It is here now and will only increase very quickly.



Embrace technology as an opportunity, not just a risk.



Develop your skills in data analytics, synthesis and relationship management.



Consider The CMA!

# What is a Certified Management Accountant (CMA®)?

#### Management Accounting vs. Public Accounting

#### **Management Accounting**



Management accountants **support the creation of value**, rather than simply measuring it.

#### Relevant certification: CMA

- Global professional certification
- Focus on the future and on supporting strategy

#### **Public Accounting**



Public accountants focus on compliance.

#### Relevant certification: CPA

- License granted by a US state
- Focus on historical data

## It's a global passport



#### **CMA**





#### The Difference is in the Numbers





CMAs earn 30% more in the U.S. than non-certified accounting professionals.\*



#### Poll Question 2:

#### Where are you in your pursuit of the CMA?

- a. I am trying to decide if the CMA credential is right for me.
- b. I know that the CMA is in my future, but I don't know how or when to start.
- c. I am currently studying for one of the CMA exams.
- d. I am a manager considering the CMA as a means to upskill my staff.

#### Poll Question 2 Results: (Placeholder)

## Steps to Becoming a CMA

### Program Requirements



Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (in any major)



Completion of 2 exams



Two years of professional work experience



Active membership in IMA

#### CMA Exam Structure

**Part 1:** Financial Planning,
Performance, and Analytics





Performance management

Cost management

Internal controls

Technology and Analytics

Part 2: Strategic Financial Management

Financial statement analysis

Corporate finance

Decision analysis

Risk management

Investment decisions

Professional ethics

Each exam part is four hours long:

100 multiple-choice questions, followed by two 30-minute essay problems

#### Exam Testing



Exam are administered by Prometric Testing

- a. Take exam at a Prometric testing center
- b. Take exam at home using remote testing option



Three exam testing windows offered each year
January and February
May and June
September and October



Candidates schedule exams at their own pace

Part 1 and Part 2 can be taken in any order On average, candidates complete the program within 12-18 months

#### How to Get Started

- 1. Hold Membership in IMA
  - a. \$260 per year + \$15 one-time fee Discounted to \$182 \$15 fee waived
- 2. Pay the CMA Entrance Fee
  - a. \$280 one-time fee Discounted to \$196
- 3. Register to sit for an exam part
  - a. \$460 per part



#### Through November 30, 2022

- Join IMA with 30% discount
- Enter the CMA Program with 30% off the Entrance Fee!
- Use code CMAXW30 at checkout in IMA's Online Store



#### CMA Handbook

Your Guide to Information and Requirements for CMA Certification

#### The CMA Handbook

 An important resource for CMA candidates is the CMA Handbook

- Find it on the IMA website:
- www.imanet.org -> CMA Certification -> Getting Started

#### Poll Question 3:

# Does your organization encourage employees to pursue professional certifications?

- a. Yes, and I am compensated/rewarded for earning a new credential
- b. Yes, but I do not receive any financial incentives
- c. No, professional certifications are not discussed as a component of learning and development
- d. Not sure

#### Poll Question 3 Results: (Placeholder)

#### **CMA** Panel Discussion



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#### Poll Question 4:

Would you like to receive communications from IMA about our products, services, and events?

- a. Yes, I'd like to learn more about IMA's products, services, and events.
- b. No, I prefer not to be contacted.

#### Poll Question 4 Results: (Placeholder)

#### Questions & Answers



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# Thank you!



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