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#1 RogerCPAReview.com

RogerCPAReview.com is my number one recommended resource for anyone looking to work in accounting. While nobody needs to become a CPA in order to find their first job, I am looking at your long term potential. Here is the link you need:

RogerCPAReview.com/cpa-requirements |

But... What's great about this site is the FREE information they have. They have a list of all the CPA exam requirements by state. For example, I live in Florida, but when I took the CPA, the requirements in Alaska were better based on my situation. I was able to take the exam 8 months SOONER than I would have been able to otherwise.

If you don't pass the exam before you start working full time, you will not be able to perform at the same level as others who can focus 100% of their time to the clients. Poor performance in your first year, leads to lower ratings, lower ratings lead to no bonus and lower raise.

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#2 The Brilliant Newsletter

The Brilliant Newsletter was created by a group of accounting recruiters for content marketing. They use the newsletter as a content aggregator for all the great accounting, finance, and IT news on a weekly basis.

While I am not sure how they function as a recruiting firm, they make a great newsletter! All the biggest articles from across the web are included such as: accountingweb, forbes, accounting today, etc.

Rather than check all those sites on a daily basis, sign up for the Brilliant weekly newsletter to get the best of the weeks news!

Check it out!

www.brilliantfs.com

#3 Corporette

While this resource only benefits the softer sex, let's be honest guys, they have it way harder! Skirts, heels, panty hose, dresses, make-up and on and on. So while this only relates to the women, I had to include it!

It's not easy when you're a woman to strike the balance between strong, independent, and feminine without looking too young, or too sexy. I can't say I'll be able to provide the best advice either which is why we have this recommendation!

They have tons of great articles that give you details on what to wear for any event! While the entire site is great, there is one page I would recommend over any others, and that's the "Top Content" page. Check it out!

corporette.com/about-corporette/top-posts/

#4 Going Concern

Going Concern is a great resource for any young and upcoming accounting professional. They have some really great humor from the writers who run the blog and a great weekly newsletter called, "Between the Spreadsheets"

They have a great community of commenters that will get into spiraling bickering fights which can be quite entertaining. All that aside, there is some great content on the site from over the years. They also often break news from the accounting firms and current events.

If you're one of those candidates who are interested in pay, they have tons of data on that as well. Each year they post an article for each firm where people post their location, pay increase, and bonus. Check it out!

GoingConcern.com

#5 Accounting Today

While I love Going Concern, Accounting Today has a whole different tone and history. They provide authoritative reports such as, “The Top 100 Most Influential Accountants of 20XX”.

They have also been the main site that I am aware of who rank the top firms from across the country. Their reports are great for anyone who is new to the industry and wants to know what’s going on in the business of accounting! They have also amassed a group of industry professionals for the accounting tomorrow blog which is focused on how the accounting profession is making room for a younger, more diverse generation of practitioners.

Check it out!

AccountingToday.com

Thank You!

I want to take a moment to thank you for downloading this eBook. I have worked hard at The Bean Counter to put together information that is helpful and relevant to you.

If you have any questions so that I can better help you obtain your goals, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at andrew@thebeancounter.org.

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Thank you!

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