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Classroom Timetable and Overview Planner 2027

Manchester



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Please note: Information and dates in this timetable are subject to change.

ACA Course Information

This timetable details the courses that our centre is offering for the ACA exams.

Next Generation ACA

Certificate Level	
AF	Accounting Fundamentals
ARF	Assurance Risk Fundamentals
TF	Tax Fundamentals
BL	Business Law
BIP	Business Insight & Performance
SE	Sustainability & Ethics
EPA	End Point Assessment (1)

Next Generation ACA

Professional Level	
FCS	Fundamental Case Study
ARR	Assurance, Risk & Reporting
TCP	Taxation Compliance & Planning
CRDA	Corporate Reporting, Data & Assurance
BDS	Business & Digital Strategy
CFS	Corporate Financial Strategy

Next Generation ACA

Advanced Level	
TCS	Technical Case Study
SCS	Strategic Case Study

Advanced Level courses offered in 2027 on the outgoing syllabus will be Exam Preparation only. These courses are intended for learners who have deferred or are required to resit. Learners who have not yet attempted these exams are advised to transition to the Next Generation ACA syllabus.

For comprehensive details on transitional rules, timelines, and guidance please see the **ICAEW website**.

(1) The EPA is a requirement of the Level 4 Apprenticeship and applies to apprentice learners only - more details on this can be viewed **here**.

Kaplan's Recommended ACA Next Generation Pathway

Certificate Level (Months 1-6)	Professional Level (Months 7-23)			Advanced Level (Months 24-28)
	Professional sitting 1	Professional sitting 2	Professional sitting 3	
All	Fundamental Case Study (FCS)	Tax Compliance & Planning (TCP)	Business & Digital Strategy (BDS)	Technical Case Study (TCS)
	Assurance, Risk & Reporting (ARR)	Corporate Reporting, Data & Assurance (CRDA)	Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)	Strategic Case Study (SCS)

If your preferred pathway is not available at your chosen Kaplan training location we will be able to provide your preferred pathway via our Live Online ACA course offering.

For detailed transitional rules, timelines and guidance please see the **ICAEW webpage**.

Kaplan's ACA Next Generation Course Durations

Classroom Course Times: Weekday 09.00-16.30 (UK Time)

Certificate Days				
Subject	Tutor-Led	Focus Day*	OnDemand	Total
Accounting Fundamentals (AF)	7	1	-	8
Assurance Risk Fundamentals (ARF)	3	1	-	4
Tax Fundamentals (TF)	5	1	-	6
Business Law (BL)**	-	-	4	4
Business Insight & Performance (BIP)	5	1	-	6
Sustainability & Ethics (SE)**	-	-	4	4

Professional Days					
Subject	Tuition		Exam Prep		Total
	Tutor-led	Focus Day*	Tutor-led	Focus Day*	
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)	2	-	2	1	5
Assurance, Risk & Reporting (ARR)	5	1	4	1	11
Taxation Compliance & Planning (TCP)	8	1	4	1	14
Corporate Reporting, Data & Assurance (CRDA)	5	1	4	1	11
Business & Digital Strategy (BDS)	3	1	3	1	8
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)	5	1	3	1	10

*A Focus Day is a scheduled day within the course for consolidating knowledge and reinforcing learning, with content and pace tailored to individual learners.
**Business Law (BL) and Sustainability and Ethics (SE), are available via OnDemand learning. Learners who prefer a more intensive study schedule may choose to study one or both Business Law and Sustainability and Ethics alongside Taxation Fundamentals (TF) and Business Insight and Performance (BIP).

Classroom Course Times: Weekday 09.00-16.30 (UK Time)

Advanced Days					
Subject	Tuition		Exam Prep		Total
	Tutor-led	Focus Day*	Tutor-led	Focus Day*	
Technical Case Study (TCS)	6	1	4	1**	12
Strategic Case Study (SCS)	4	1	4	1**	10

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**Exam Prep courses for TCS and SCS include two half-day Focus Days per subject.

A learner may not attempt the Strategic Case Study until they have attempted all other exams. A learner can sit both Advanced Level assessments at the same session and still comply with this rule. A learner may not attempt the Strategic Case Study until they have completed all but their final 18 months of approved training by the end of the month in which the assessment is held.

Manchester ACA Certificate Level - First Half 2027

Week commencing:	January															March										May									
	11th					18th					25th					8th					15th					3rd					10th				
	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
Accounting Fundamentals (AF)	T	T	T			F		T	T	T		T																							
Audit and Risk Fundamentals (ARF)				T	T		F				T																								
Tax Fundamentals (TF)																				T	T	F	T	T	T										
Business Insight and Performance (BIP)																											T	T	T	F	T	T			

Manchester ACA Certificate Level - Second Half 2027

Week commencing:	September															October					November										December									
	13th					20th					27th					4th					8th					15th					6th					13th				
	13	14	15	16	17	20	21	22	23	24	27	28	29	30	1	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	6	7	8	9	10	13	14	15	16	17
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
Accounting Fundamentals (AF) - Option 1	T	T	T			F	T		T	T	T																													
Audit and Risk Fundamentals (ARF) - Option 1				T	T			F				T																												
Accounting Fundamentals (AF) - Option 2	T	T	T			F	T	T	T	T																														
Audit and Risk Fundamentals (ARF) - Option 2				T	T						F	T																												
Accounting Fundamentals (AF) - Option 3						T	T	T			F		T	T	T	T																								
Audit and Risk Fundamentals (ARF) - Option 3									T	T		F					T																							
Tax Fundamentals (TF)																					T	T	F	T	T	T														
Business Insight and Performance (BIP)																															T	T	T	F	T	T				

T Tuition

F Focus Day *

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ACA Certificate exams are computer-based. We recommend sitting your exam 2 weeks after the course finishes. To book your exam please contact Kaplan Student Services or your employer (in cases where exams are booked centrally).

There are three study methods available: Classroom (dates shown above), Live Online or OnDemand.

Manchester ACA Professional Stage March 2027

Week commencing:	January																			
	4th					11th					18th					25th				
	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR								T	T	T	T	T	F	T	T					
BDS/CFS											T	T	T	T	F	F	T	T	T	T
TCP/CRDA	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	T	T	F						T	T	T	T	T
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:																				
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)								T	T											
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)										T	T	T	F	T	T					
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS)											T	T				F				T
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)													T	T	F		T	T	T	
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)	T	T	T			T	F	T										T	T	T
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)				T	T				T	F						T	T			

Week commencing:	February					March									
	22nd					1st					8th				
	22	23	24	25	26	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR			EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	F	EP	E				
BDS/CFS			EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	F	EP			E		
TCP/CRDA	EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	F	EP		E			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)						EP	EP	F			E				
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)			EP	EP	EP				F	EP	E				
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS)					EP	EP			F	EP			E		
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)			EP	EP			F	EP					E		
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)			EP	EP	EP				F	EP		E			
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)	EP	EP				EP	F	EP				E			

T	Tuition	EP	Exam Preparation
F	Focus Day *	E	Real Exam

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Manchester ACA Professional Stage June 2027

Week commencing:	April																			
	5th					12th					19th					26th				
	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR						T	T	T	F	T	T	T	T							
BDS/CFS - Option 1						T	T	F	T	T	T	F	T	T	T					
BDS/CFS - Option 2						T	T	F	T	T	T	F	T	T	T					
TCP/CRDA	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	F	T						T	T	T	T	T
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:																				
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)												T	T							
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)						T	T	T	F	T	T									
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS) - Option 1									T		T	F	T							
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS) - Option 1						T	T	F		T				T	T					
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS) - Option 2									T		T	F	T							
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS) - Option 2						T	T	F		T				T	T					
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)			T	T		T	T		F	T						T	T	T		
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)	T	T			T			F											T	T

Week commencing:	May					June									
	24th					31st					7th				
	24	25	26	27	28	31	1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR			EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	E				
BDS/CFS - Option 1			EP	EP	EP	F	EP	F	EP	EP			E		
BDS/CFS - Option 2			EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP			E		
TCP/CRDA	EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP		E			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)			EP		EP	F					E				
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)				EP			EP	EP	F	EP	E				
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS) - Option 1				EP			EP	F	EP				E		
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS) - Option 1			EP		EP	F				EP			E		
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS) - Option 2					EP		EP		F	EP			E		
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS) - Option 2			EP	EP		F		EP					E		
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)	EP	EP	EP			F		EP				E			
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)				EP	EP		EP		F	EP		E			

T	Tuition	EP	Exam Preparation
F	Focus Day *	E	Real Exam

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Manchester ACA Professional Stage September 2027

Week commencing:	June										July									
	21st					28th					19th					26th				
	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30	1	2	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR											T	T	T	T	T	F	T	T		
BDS/CFS											T	T	F	T	T	T	T	T	F	T
TCP/CRDA	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	T	T	F	T	T	T	T	T					
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:																				
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)											T	T								
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)													T	T	T	F	T	T		
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS)														T	T				F	T
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)											T	T	F			T	T	T		
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)	T	T	T			T	F	T			T	T	T							
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)				T	T				T	F				T	T					

Week commencing:	August					September									
	23rd					30th					6th				
	23	24	25	26	27	30	31	1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR			EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	E				
BDS/CFS			EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP			E		
TCP/CRDA	EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	F	EP	EP		E			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)							EP	EP	F		E				
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)			EP	EP	EP	F				EP	E				
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS)					EP		EP		F	EP			E		
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)			EP	EP		F		EP					E		
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)				EP	EP		EP	F		EP		E			
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)	EP	EP	EP			F			EP			E			

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Manchester ACA Professional Stage December 2027

Week commencing:	September										October										November				
	20th					27th					4th					11th					1st				
	20	21	22	23	24	27	28	29	30	1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	1	2	3	4	5
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR											T	T	T	T	T	F	T	T							
BDS/CFS											T	T	F	T	T	T	F	T	T	T					
TCP/CRDA	T	T	T	T	F	T	T	T	F	T											T	T	T	T	T
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:																									
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)											T	T													
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)													T	T	T	F	T	T							
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS)											T	T	F			T									
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)														T	T		F	T	T	T					
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)				T		T	T	T	F	T											T	T	T		
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)	T	T	T		F																			T	T

Week commencing:	November					December									
	22nd					29th					6th				
	22	23	24	25	26	29	30	1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
FCS/ARR			EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	F	EP	E				
BDS/CFS			EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	F	EP			E		
TCP/CRDA	EP	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP		E			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Fundamental Case Study (FCS)						EP	EP	F			E				
Assurance, Risk and Reporting (ARR)			EP	EP	EP				F	EP	E				
Business and Digital Strategy (BDS)			EP			EP	F	EP					E		
Corporate Financial Strategy (CFS)				EP	EP				F	EP			E		
Tax Compliance and Planning (TCP)	EP	EP	EP			F		EP				E			
Corporate Reporting, Data and Assurance (CRDA)				EP	EP		EP		F	EP		E			

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Manchester ACA Advanced Stage July 2027

Week commencing:	May					June									
	10th					7th					14th				
	10	11	12	13	14	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
TCS/SCS - Option 1	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	T	T	F	T	T			
TCS/SCS - Option 2	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	T	F	T	T			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 1	T	T	T					T	T	F	T				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 1				T	T	T	F					T			
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 2	T	T	T			T	T	F			T				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 2				T	T				T	F		T			

Week commencing:	July														
	5th					12th					19th				
	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
TCS/SCS - Option 1	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	E	E			
TCS/SCS - Option 2	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	E	E			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 1			EP	EP	F	EP		F		EP	E				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 1	EP	EP			F		EP	F	EP			E			
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 2			EP	EP	F	EP		F		EP	E				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 2	EP	EP			F		EP	F	EP			E			

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Manchester ACA Advanced Stage November 2027

Week commencing:	August							September						
	9th					30th					6th				
	9	10	11	12	13	30	31	1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
TCS/SCS - Option 1	T	T	T	T	T		T	T	F	T	T	F	T		
TCS/SCS - Option 2	T	T	T	T	T		T	T	F	T	T	F	T		
TCS/SCS - Option 3	T	T	T	T	T		T	F	T	T	F	T	T		
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 1	T	T	T				T				T	F	T		
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 1				T	T			T	F	T					
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 2	T	T	T				T	T	F	T					
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 2				T	T						T	F	T		
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 3	T	T	T						T	T	F		T		
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 3				T	T		T	F				T			

Week commencing:	October										November				
	18th					25th					1st				
	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	1	2	3	4	5
Subjects available:	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
TCS/SCS - Option 1	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	E	E			
TCS/SCS - Option 2	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	E	E			
TCS/SCS - Option 3	EP	EP	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	F	EP	EP	E	E			
For information, please find the classroom and exam dates within the available study combinations of the individual subjects below:															
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 1			EP	EP	F		EP	F		EP	E				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 1	EP	EP			F	EP		F	EP			E			
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 2			EP	EP	F		EP	F		EP	E				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 2	EP	EP			F	EP		F	EP			E			
Technical Case Study (TCS) - Option 3			EP	EP	F		EP	F		EP	E				
Strategic Case Study (SCS) - Option 3	EP	EP			F	EP		F	EP			E			

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