



The photo above shows five of your support team at First Intuition. From left to right are Paul Moore, Tim Paton, Nick Brice, Mike Pennington and Sarah Habgood.

WE RECOMMEND ONLY THE BEST!

It's no wonder that we have recommended First Intuition to our Accountancy students for nearly ten years. First Intuition is a distance learning college, based in London UK, with nine provincial branches and, for the third time in five years, has won the PQ Magazine Accountancy College of the Year award, having beaten off competition from other large course providers. This success was reinforced by two of First Intuition's students having scored 'World Firsts' in 2013, one in CIMA and the other in ICAEW. Furthermore, First Intuition's London HQ plus four of their branch offices have recently been awarded the ACCA Platinum Status, which is the highest accreditation awarded by the examining body. To gain this accreditation, tuition providers must meet, or exceed, pass rate targets and must also demonstrate how they go the extra mile for their students. First Intuition focuses on outstanding customer service and high pass rates. Our students can confirm how often they have benefited from the consistently friendly yet professional support received from the tutors at First Intuition. We will therefore continue to recommend First Intuition to our CIMA, ACCA and ICAEW students, confident that this will result in many high achievers.

Please note: when enrolling with First Intuition, **always** ask for the 'Focus' discount, particularly at a provincial branch where college staff may not be aware of this concession.

LEFT SCHOOL AND NEED AN OBJECTIVE?

It has been said that repetition is the mother of all learning. We are therefore not ashamed to repeat the incontestable guidance from a most trusted source on the way ahead for our school leavers. This is that **in the current climate you will not achieve without doing postgraduate studies**. We suggest you engage in open dialogue with your employer to enlist his support for your postgraduate studies. Your employer's role is vital in facilitating three things: initial enrolment, perseverance in studying and ultimate completion.

If you do not yet have an employer you should not hold back from enrolling. Your prospects of a job could be enhanced if you have already embarked on a course of study involving Accounts or Sales & Marketing, as almost every job role in the workplace calls for a knowledge of at least one of those subjects. A prospective employer will notice that you have initiative, a desire to succeed and can hit the ground running, all of which could score in your favour.

Our updated 'Recommended Courses' leaflet is therefore issued with this Bulletin. All you need do to set the ball rolling is send an enquiry to the contact name on the leaflet.

MAKE IT 100%

Throughout Europe and UK 275 students have left our schools this summer. The aim is that 100% of these students, without any exceptions – that's 275 out of 275 – should enrol for postgraduate studies in order to expand their minds and enhance their vocations equipped with a broad base of knowledge and skills.

We have divided the continent into four regions: North, West, South UK and Rest of Europe. We intend to publish enrolment figures, region by region, in this Bulletin next month. So please don't spoil your region's figures by not enrolling on a Course! Report your enrolment to your PSC and **make it 100% everywhere, please!**

2014 APPRENTICESHIP INDUCTION DAY

All students who have recently enrolled, or are about to enrol, on an Apprenticeship Course, are invited to the essential **Induction Event** at Exchange Place, Warwick, on **Wednesday 20th August**. Those not yet enrolled who have in mind to do so must ensure that their application forms are submitted to arrive not later than **Friday 8th August**, in order to reserve their space on the Induction Day. The aim of the Event is to provide clarity, direction and a springboard from which to launch your Course. The day will also provide an excellent opportunity to network with College staff and fellow students.

Email giles.bennett@ubteam.com or rowena.gates@ubteam.com for further details.

APPRENTICESHIPS: DO YOU FIT?

We understand that the financial appeal of enrolling under the funded Apprenticeship Schemes has been so effective that some of our students have enrolled without being fully able to satisfy the conditions which make the Scheme work. These are that the **student must be:**

- Resident in England,
- In full-time employment,
- **In a daily job role that is related to the subject being studied,**
- Committed unreservedly to completing the 12-month programme on time.

Also, the **employer must:**

- Be available to speak with the student's Training Assessor during the 3-monthly workplace visits and during periodic telephone calls,
- Provide opportunities for the student to be involved in a variety of tasks throughout the programme, to enable demonstration of competency under each unit area of the Course,
- Complete a basic Health & Safety Assessment and fulfil any legislative compliance requirements as identified,
- Facilitate the student's attendance at up to three training and assessment days at Warwick during the 12-month programme.

Further information about Apprenticeships can be obtained from giles.bennett@ubteam.com or rowena.gates@ubteam.com

"Education is the movement from darkness to light."