

## RPA Canada-ZiCA Scholarship

The Society of Professional Accountants of Canada (RPA Canada) and Institute of Chartered Accountants of Zambia (ZiCA) signed a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) on May 17, 2022. In this agreement both organizations agreed to cooperate and collaborate in promoting the accounting designation. At that time RPA Canada promised to offer the Scholarship to ZiCA finalist trainees and CA designation holders to obtain the RPA designation.

As part of this MRA, RPA Canada announced the RPA-ZiCA Scholarship for female members and finalist trainees to achieve RPA designation. The purpose of this scholarship is to empower the deserving and intelligent female accounting trainees or ZiCA members by offering them Canada's premier accounting designation RPA at no cost.

### Value

This scholarship has no cash value to the recipients.

### Scholarship Numbers:

As a pilot project RPA Canada will offer three (3) scholarship towards the cost of the RPA designation.

### Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must be:

- A designated female member of the Zambia Institute of Chartered Accountants
- A female finalist currently enrolled with the Zambia Institute of Chartered Accountants on the CA Zambia practical training program.
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### How to Apply

All qualified applicants must submit the following documents with an online RPA-ZiCA Scholarship application:

- a completed online application form.
- an official transcript of the CA Zambia program.
- a copy of your valid Zambian ID card with picture.
- a letter of recommendation from your professor and your employer or government officer.
- a Statement of Purpose (SOP) - this should be in the form of an essay stating why you deserve this scholarship, list of your educational achievements, your interests, involvement and activities outside of academic studies, a list of any other bursaries or scholarship which you may have been awarded.
- Provide any other information that you feel is relevant when reviewing your application.
- a recent passport size photograph.

- provide a video of no more than 3 minutes stating why you deserve this scholarship.

**Requirements CA Zambia to achieve an RPA designation:**

According to the MRA between RPA Canada and ZiCA, ZiCA members are required to take following subjects online or in person:

1. Canadian Business Law
2. Canadian Taxation 1 (Personal Taxation)
3. Canadian Taxation 2 (Business Taxation)
4. Canadian Ethics and Professional Code of Conduct for Accountants
5. Data Analytics for Accountants

*Note: Your official transcript must be legible and scanned originally in Pdf format and attached to your online application. Photocopies and/or faxed copies of the transcript will not be accepted.*

*Please note, once awarded the scholarship and the course you will be enrolling in, offered by The Society of Professional Accountants of Canada or approved Canadian post-secondary institutions, RPA Canada do not provide any assistance or guarantee with visa applications or immigration processes to Canada. The course is designed for RPA educational purposes and aims to provide knowledge, skills, and training in obtaining RPA designation. While we strive to offer valuable insights and expertise in our field, it is important to note that our organization does not possess the authority or expertise to influence or expedite any immigration procedures.*

*RPA Canada-ZiCA Scholarship is not transferable and have no cash value.*

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### Selection Process

Thank you for your interest in applying for RPA-ZiCA Scholarship at the Society of Professional Accountants of Canada. We are committed to recognizing and supporting exceptional female trainees who demonstrate outstanding academic achievements, leadership potential, and a strong commitment to community service. Before submitting your application, please carefully review the following conditions:

**Academic Excellence:** Scholarship applicants must have a strong academic record. This typically includes maintaining a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 60 GPA on a GPA Scale. The transcripts or academic records from previous educational institutions must be provided as evidence of academic performance.

**Enrollment Status:** Applicants must be in the final year of training on the CA Zambia practical training programme or have applied for admission or been admitted as an Associate member at ZiCA. Proof of enrollment or member in good standing status will be required during the application process.

**Community Involvement:** We value trainees who actively contribute to their communities. Applicants should demonstrate a record of involvement in extracurricular activities, volunteer work, leadership roles, or any other form of community service. Please provide relevant documentation or references that highlight your community involvement.

**Application Submission:** All scholarship applications must be submitted by the specified deadline. Late submissions will not be considered. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all required documents, such as essays, recommendation letters, and supporting materials, are submitted as instructed.

**Scholarship Renewal and Maintaining Eligibility:** If awarded a scholarship, recipients may be required to maintain certain academic standards and meet specific criteria to renew the scholarship until completion of the RPA designation. These requirements will be communicated to successful applicants.

Please note that meeting the above conditions does not guarantee a scholarship. The selection process is highly competitive, and scholarship awards are subject to the decisions of the scholarship selection committee.

We encourage all eligible Trainees to apply for scholarships at RPA Canada website at [link](#). For more information, application forms, and specific details about scholarship, please visit our website or contact the RPA Canada office.

## Deadline

We are pleased to announce the launch of our RPA-ZiCA Scholarship program aimed at assisting talented and deserving female CA or near completion CA trainees in pursuing their educational goals from RPA Canada. This program offers an incredible opportunity for obtaining Canada's premier accounting designation RPA at no cost.

We would like to remind all interested candidates that the deadline for scholarship applications is September 30, 2023. The application submission period will close on September 30, 2023, at 6:00 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST). Please ensure that your application is submitted prior to this deadline, as late submissions will not be accepted.

To apply for the scholarship program, kindly visit our official website at [www.rpacanada.org](http://www.rpacanada.org). There, you will find all the necessary information, eligibility criteria, and application forms to complete your submission. It is crucial to carefully review and fulfill all requirements, including the submission of supporting documents, essays, transcripts, and any other specified materials. Incomplete or inaccurate applications may result in disqualification.

We encourage all eligible applicants who meet the criteria to take advantage of this remarkable opportunity. The scholarship program aims to recognize and support exceptional individuals who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership qualities, and a commitment to community involvement. By applying, you are taking a significant step towards securing Canadian accounting designation that can make a substantial difference in your education and professional career.

Our selection committee will meticulously review all applications received by the deadline. Following the evaluation process, shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further interviews or assessments, as per the selection criteria outlined in the application guidelines. Successful recipients will be notified personally via email or phone call within one month after the application review is completed.