AAT – Developments and emerging issues

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1980 Established	Collaborations with PAOs around the world	50,000 professional qualified members (MAATs) in 90 countries
80,000 UK and international students	Member of FAC The first accounting technician member	6,220 licensed members in the UK

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Case study **KPMG**



In the UK, KPMG recruited 200 school leavers to study AAT as a two year programme, then moving on to ICAEW for three more years of study, working across Audit, Consultancy, Tax and Advisory functions.

"Our clients look for solutions to problems. And hiring people who think in different ways, have different mindsets and backgrounds means we can offer more rounded solutions, which is very beneficial. The people we recruit represent the breadth of society."

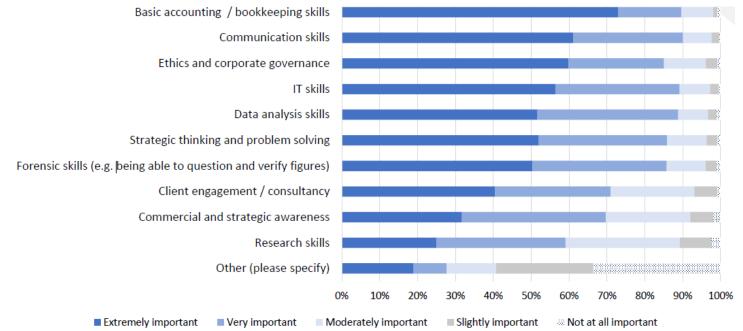
Tizzy Blythin

KPMG's Head of Professional Qualifications and Accreditations

"Studying AAT has helped me grow in accounting. The practical skills gained have helped me to excel in the corporate world."

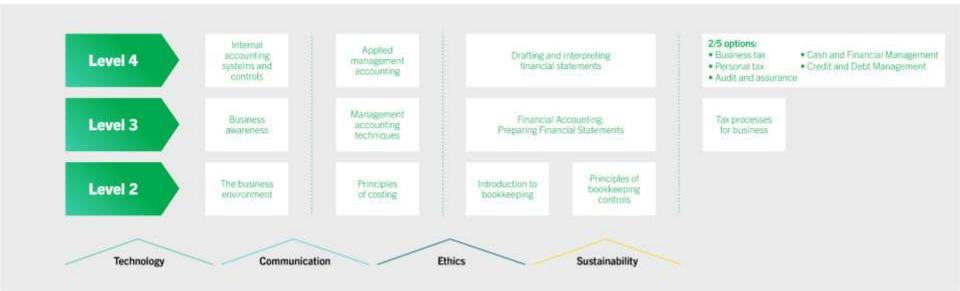
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Importance of skills in the future



Source: "The Impact of Technology on Accounting Technicians: Nottingham Business School 2019"

AQ 2022 new qualification



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Future for Accounting Technicians

- We are hearing more programmes and more interest than ever before.
- Learning from our successes, it needs the right level of support and recognition from:
 - government
 - accounting bodies
 - employers.

AAT has over 40 years' experience as professional body for Accounting Technicians

Supportive of collaborating with other accounting bodies and stakeholders to increase recognition and understanding

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