

# What is CA (Chartered Accountant)

## 1. What is CA?

CA stands for Chartered Accountant - a highly respected finance professional who is an expert in:

- Accounting
- Auditing
- Taxation
- Financial Reporting
- Business & Financial Advisory

## 2. Who gives the CA qualification?

In India, Chartered Accountants are certified by the ICAI - Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, established by the Government of India in 1949.

## 3. CA Course Structure (India)

- CA Foundation: Entry-level exam after 12th (Commerce/Any Stream)
- CA Intermediate: After clearing Foundation or direct entry (after B.Com, etc.)
- Articleship: 3 years of practical training under a practicing CA
- CA Final: Final exam before becoming a certified Chartered Accountant

## 4. Eligibility

- After 12th standard: Start with CA Foundation
- After Graduation: Direct entry to CA Intermediate

## 5. Career Opportunities for a CA

- Auditor
- Tax Consultant
- CFO (Chief Financial Officer)
- Finance Controller
- GST or Income Tax Expert

## **What is CA (Chartered Accountant)**

- Company Law Consultant

### **6. Where CAs Work**

- Private Companies
- Government Organizations
- Startups & MNCs
- Banks & Financial Institutions
- As Self-employed or in own CA firm