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How has your ACCA qualification helped you so far?

Firstly, if thinking of the first step to getting a good job, it created a good impression on my curriculum vitae and it gave me a competitive advantage. Then, during my professional life, I have had the chance to apply the knowledge I gained through my ACCA studies. What I appreciate most about this study program is that even if, the “Chartered Certified Accountant” title makes one think it’s all about accounting, I discovered broader and interesting subjects such as law, project management and corporate governance.

If ACCA were an Olympic sport what would it be?

If ACCA were an Olympic sport, it would be skiing, giant slalom to be more precise. After a long run with obstacles, it is very self-fulfilling to get to the finish line and see the results of your work. Even if you sometimes miss one gate, you continue, and it doesn’t mean that you lose the race.

What advice would you give people thinking of studying with BPP?

I would encourage them to take the courses as their chances of passing the exams and gain better knowledge they are much higher than if study by themselves. The exam papers are quite difficult, there is a lot to study, so grasping the essentials, being focused on the important aspects and getting explanations from experienced tutors, in my opinion, is very important.

What has been the biggest challenge and what support have you received?

I would rather comment on what I consider the biggest general challenge of our time, that is how to successfully combine our professional and personal life, especially when you already have a family and kids, but at the same time you want more from the professional point of view, like for example, obtaining the ACCA qualification.