

What do you want to be when you grow up?

Did you know that there are many, many different career paths and roles in accounting and finance?

Head to the CA ANZ website to discover more about:

- Being a Money master with a career in Corporate Finance;
- A Financial sleuth in the field of Auditing;
- A Number ninja in Taxation work;
- Perhaps a Community leader in the area of Indigenous tax and advisory;
- A Business guru working in Management Consulting;
- A Public Guardian in Government accounting;
- Or even a Professional influencer working in Business advisory!

But wait, there's more ...

- A Cyber defender working as a Cybersecurity analyst;
- Or a Crime fighter in Forensic accounting;
- A Business Trailblazer in Corporate accounting;
- A Climate change warrior working in Environmental accounting;
- Maybe a Financial harvester in Agricultural accounting;

Did you know you had so many choices?

Being clear about the type of role you are looking for will help in your job search and during the interview process.

Talk to Rae about getting some guidance when you are making this all-important career choice!

Top Tip

- *Be purposeful about your career.*
- *Make choices that align with your values and goals.*



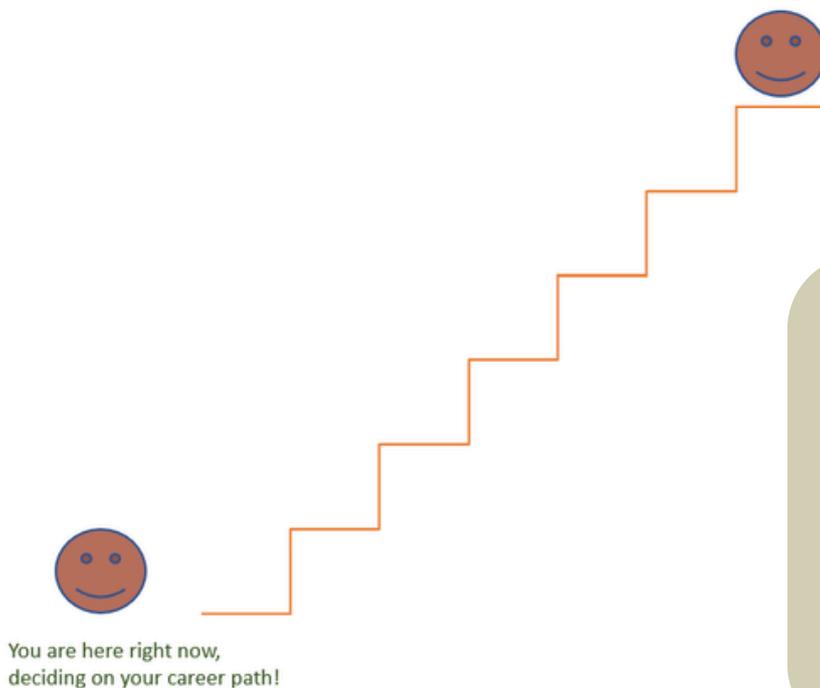
Where do you see yourself in 5 or 10 years?

What type of accounting and finance role should you choose for your first job?

These are two of the most important questions to ask yourself when deciding what kind of role you would like to apply for. Being able to define your ultimate career goal - the industry you would like to work in, the type of work you would like to do and the level you would like to achieve is very important.

Take stock of what you are thinking right now. Make sure you have a general idea of the direction you want to head in.

Think of this step as being at the bottom of your career ladder. Each step on the ladder represents a new job, or a development opportunity. Sometimes you might take a sidestep on the ladder and take a role that isn't necessarily a step up in responsibility. Rather, it might be an expansion of your experience in a new industry, or doing a different type of accounting and finance work.



You'd like to be here in 20 years, perhaps the CFO of a large corporate. How did you get here? Turn around and look back at the roles, experience and development you needed to have along the way, to get to the pinnacle of your career.

Top Tips

- You might try 3 or 4 different accounting and finance roles before deciding on what is right for you. There is nothing wrong with this: it all adds to the richness of your experience!
- It is important to stop and take stock of where you are at in your career, at least every 3 to 5 years, to ensure you are still heading for your ultimate goal (which may change over time)!

