

Students Start Your Engines!

Post-secondary School Students Across Ontario Strive to Win \$5,000 in CGA Ontario's Annual Online Accounting Contest

TORONTO, ON, February, 17, 2009 — The Certified General Accountants of Ontario (CGA Ontario) challenges post-secondary college and university students across Ontario with its annual online accounting contest, taking place Wednesday, March 18, 2009, beginning promptly at 4 p.m.

The contest is comprised of both a basic and intermediate tier level. Eligible and registered students have the option to choose the tier that best suits their skill level and education, each consisting of 100 multiple-choice style questions with a financial accounting focus. The one-hour online accounting contest offers cash and scholarship prizes as follows:

Tier 1: Basic- and Intermediate-Level Financial Accounting Questions

1st place = \$4,000 and a scholarship worth \$5,000 towards the CGA program of professional studies.

2nd place = \$2,000 and a scholarship worth \$5,000 towards the CGA program of professional studies.

3rd place = \$1,000 and a scholarship worth \$5,000 towards the CGA program of professional studies.

Tier 2: Intermediate- and Advanced-Level Financial Accounting Questions

1st place = \$5,000 and a scholarship worth \$5,000 towards the CGA program of professional studies.

2nd place = \$3,000 and a scholarship worth \$5,000 towards the CGA program of professional studies.

3rd place = \$1,500 and a scholarship worth \$5,000 towards the CGA program of professional studies.

For even more incentive to win, the university or college that boasts first-place in either tier will receive a donation of \$5,000 from CGA Ontario, awarded to its accounting department.

Students must register online no later than Tuesday, March 17, 2009 at www.cga-ontario.org/contest to obtain a user name and password necessary to qualify and log-in for the competition. Additional information pertaining to the contest, including rules and regulations, can also be found through this link.

Certified General Accountants of Ontario is a self-governing body that grants the exclusive rights to the CGA designation, and controls the professional standards, conduct and discipline of its members and students in the province of Ontario. Certified general accountants (CGAs) are committed to meeting the needs of their businesses and organizations with strategic insight, leadership and demonstrated abilities. In Ontario, there are more than 19,000 CGAs and approximately 9,000 students working towards their designation.