

# CASE STUDY



**Zhanetta Manilich**  
AIA Student

Zhanetta is originally from Ukraine; she came to the UK nine years ago and lives in London. She has a Degree in Mathematics awarded by one of the leading universities in Ukraine and since being in the UK has studied Business Management and also acquired managerial work experience at a number of retail stores in London.

When considering her career, Zhanetta felt that obtaining a professional qualification would broaden her career options and having studied maths and come across some accounting operations through her work, she could see herself working in accountancy.

Zhanetta is currently studying the AIA Level 5 Certificate in Accounting, recognised through the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF), at Cromwell College of IT and Management. She has

found it beneficial to combine the AIA study materials with having supportive tutors who can challenge students as well as assist in learning. In acknowledging

the complexities of studying accountancy, Zhanetta has shown a determination to obtain a solid grasp of the basics which will stand her in good stead as she progresses to the higher levels.

Her study technique has been superb. After reading through the textbooks she concentrated on answering the questions, like the ones at the end of each chapter in the text book or the mock exam questions, just before the exam. She also used the past papers as a good measure of what to expect in the exam.

Zhanetta has remained determined throughout her studies and concentrated on the motivating prospect of realising her career ambitions whilst preparing for the exams.

**“AIA, in my view, is offering a course with a wide range of subjects allowing students to start from a lower level and build knowledge gradually to the more advanced levels. What appeals to me is the variety of subjects which assists in better understanding the complex business environment as well as grasping the whole depth of various accounting topics.”**

Zhanetta entered three AIA exams in May 2013 and whilst admitting that it was not easy to combine study, work and other commitments, she was able to succeed by taking the right approach and staying focussed and positive. Her hard work paid off when she passed all the exams and Zhanetta was awarded the 'AIA Student of the year Award 2013' for her exam performance and commitment to the course.