I started working at Edmund Carr LLP in August 2013 after completing a Business Economics degree from Exeter University. At university I enrolled on a few accountancy modules and it gave me an insight into what a career in accountancy would be like.

I am over two years into my ACA qualification and Edmund Carr have been really helpful so far. The ACA qualification consists of exams and practical work experience. The qualification consists of 15 exams over a 4 year period. In my two and a half years I have passed 12 exams – 6 from the certificate level and 6 from the professional level. I am aiming to complete the remaining 3 advanced level exams by the end of summer 2016.

Kaplan, our college provider, are very experienced and make sure that plenty of resources are available to fully prepare you to take your exams. They take you through step by step ensuring that you understand everything. The combination of college and practical work experience gained at Edmund Carr works really well. College has taught me about important theory for my exams and the experience gained at Edmund Carr then helps to make the theory relevant to real life situations.

Edmund Carr is a really friendly environment to work in and there is always someone who will be happy to help with any problems that may occur. I think it is the willingness of Edmund Carr to provide me and all of the trainees with the help and experience that has been crucial for our development and understanding.

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