



PARG RESEARCH DISCUSSION SESSION

When

Monday, October 30, 2023 12h00-13h00 EST Where

Hybrid format Nicol building and Zoom (contact parg@sprott.carleton.ca)

What We Heard: Discussion with Employers of Sprott Accounting Students

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ABSTRACT

In light of the changes to the CPA Competency Map, two important changes impacting employers will be implemented at Sprott. Courses have been reconfigured to allow students two choices; they can meet the minimum requirements of the CPA competency map through a BCom with a revised concentration in accounting offering, or they can obtain not only the CPA requirements but also more advanced technical knowledge needed by Ottawa employers through a new program – the Bachelor of Accounting. A draft version of this plan was presented to our most common employers and feedback obtained. In addition to the technical requirements needed, many employers weighed in on gaps in soft skills observed in Sprott students. In this presentation we share what we heard in these discussions with employers.

ABOUT THE PRESENTERS

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