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Senior Auditor | Expert
in Audit Automation &
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Skills

Financial statement analysis

GAAP

Audit planning

Results-oriented Senior External Auditor with a strong track record at Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. International (TAGI), specializing in financial statement analysis, risk-based audit planning, and audit process optimization. Proven ability to detect material misstatements, apply advanced fraud detection techniques, and ensure full compliance with IFRS and GAAP. Skilled in leading audit teams, mentoring junior auditors, and continuously improving audit quality and client satisfaction.

Professional Objective / Career Statement

Experienced Senior Auditor with a strong background in digital audit transformation and financial reporting. Currently seeking a leadership role in audit advisory or financial control where I can apply my technical expertise and strategic insight to drive value, efficiency, and compliance in a forward-thinking organization.

Key Achievements / Highlights

- Reduced audit turnaround time by 35% through automation of standard testing procedures using Caseware.
- Designed and implemented a full accounting cycle for a group of SMEs, enabling real-time financial reporting and compliance.
- Led a team of 5 auditors on a multi-entity engagement, receiving client commendation for efficiency and clarity.

Work History

2022-10 -
Current

Senior External Auditor

*Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. International (TAGI),
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia*

- Led the successful completion of high-risk and multi-entity audits within tight deadlines, consistently achieving clean audit outcomes and

Software

Caseware

Advanced

Odoo

Advanced

Smacc

Advanced

Alameen

Advanced

Daftra

Advanced

Delta

Advanced

Wafeq

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Advanced

exceeding quality benchmarks.

- Applied advanced data analytics to identify patterns and anomalies, resulting in deeper insights and more actionable audit recommendations.
- Assessed financial statements for IFRS and GAAP compliance, uncovering critical discrepancies and initiating corrective measures that improved reporting accuracy.
- Delivered audit findings in clear, executive-level reports tailored to stakeholders' needs, enhancing transparency and decision-making.
- Advised clients on internal control enhancements and operational efficiencies, directly contributing to process optimization and cost savings.
- Earned top performance ratings consistently by demonstrating precision, integrity, and commitment to audit excellence.
- Supervised and coached junior auditors, fostering their professional growth and ensuring adherence to audit best practices.
- Delegated and managed audit tasks efficiently across the team to optimize resource utilization and meet tight delivery timelines.
- Created impactful visual presentations of audit results for senior leadership, aiding strategic discussions.
- Completed general ledger reconciliations under pressure with 100% accuracy, supporting timely month-end closures.
- Utilized tax and accounting software (Odoo, Caseware) to generate tax returns and consolidated financial statements.
- Analyzed recurring costs and corrected account coding errors, ensuring proper accrual and classification across financial periods.
- Built dynamic financial models for clients, enabling performance forecasting and scenario analysis for strategic planning.

2019-11 -
2022-10

Financial Reporting & Bookkeeping Supervisor

Progress Pioneers, Riyadh, Riyadh Region

- Supervised the full accounting operations for a portfolio of 79 SMEs across diverse industries, delivering accurate financial records, real-time reporting, and structured bookkeeping through a scalable, cloud-based documentation system.
- Designed and implemented end-to-end accounting frameworks—including chart of accounts, cost centers, and posting structures—tailored to each client's unique operations and sector requirements.
- Played a key role in financial restructuring efforts for several underperforming clients, directly contributing to profitability turnarounds of up to 700% by optimizing cost structures, reporting visibility, and internal controls.
- Streamlined day-to-day bookkeeping processes using platforms such as Odoo, QuickBooks, Zoho Books, Smacc, and Daftra, enabling efficient multi-client handling and minimizing operational bottlenecks.
- Prepared monthly and annual financial statements in compliance with IFRS and local standards, along with customized management reports that supported data-driven decisions.
- Advised clients on best practices for document retention, tax readiness, and audit trail creation, ensuring compliance and improved operational transparency.
- Built standardized reporting dashboards to monitor KPIs, liquidity, and budget variances—empowering non-financial managers with actionable insights.
- Developed an integrated workflow for managing digital documentation, reducing paper dependency and enabling seamless access for internal reviews and external audits.
- Provided hands-on training to client finance

teams on accounting software and internal processes, enhancing their autonomy and system utilization.

- Recognized for delivering clean, audit-ready records under strict deadlines while maintaining quality across a high-volume client base.

2016-11 -
2019-10

Senior Accounting Manager

*Al-Elham Engineering & Contracting Co., Riyadh,
Riyadh Region*

- Led a comprehensive financial restructuring, including the redesign of the chart of accounts and cost centers, significantly improving reporting accuracy and strategic decision-making.
- Achieved 70% profitability growth by implementing advanced cost control mechanisms and process optimization across six operational departments.
- Developed customized accounting systems to measure departmental performance, enabling the identification and discontinuation of underperforming units.
- Produced accurate monthly and quarterly financial statements in full compliance with regulatory requirements.
- Streamlined accounting operations through automation, reducing manual errors by 40%, and accelerating reporting cycles.
- Ensured audit readiness by maintaining comprehensive documentation, and implementing robust audit trail procedures.

Digital Competencies

- **Data Analytics & Visualization:**

Power BI (interactive dashboards, DAX, data modeling), Excel Advanced (PivotTables, Power Query, Macros)

- **Accounting & ERP Systems:**

Odoo, QuickBooks, Zoho Books, Alameen, Smacc, Daftra

- **Audit Technology:**

Caseware, digital working papers, automated audit testing procedures

- **Web & SEO Tools:**

WordPress website setup and management, SEO optimization (on-page & off-page), Google Search Console, basic HTML

- **Digital Transformation Support:**

Designing workflow documentation, automating accounting cycles, integrating systems for real-time reporting and control

Soft Skills

Dynamic and impact-driven professional with strong leadership capabilities, known for inspiring teams, aligning audit objectives with business strategy, and delivering results under pressure. Adept at making confident decisions, managing cross-functional collaboration, and driving process improvements with measurable outcomes. Combines analytical precision with clear communication and a high sense of accountability. Recognized for a strong ethical compass, mentoring mindset, and the ability to lead by example in high-stakes environments.

Certificates

- **International Standards on Auditing (ISA)** – SOCPA, Nov 2024
- **Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Counter-Terrorist Financing (CTF)** – Financial Academy, Oct 2024
- **Financial Statement Reading and Analysis** – Chamber of Commerce, May 2024
- **Sustainability Reporting and Emerging Standards** – Financial Academy, Apr 2024
- **The Impact of the Forensic Accounting Services**

Standard on Engagements and Expert Reports –
SOCPA, Feb 2024

- **Quality Control Standard 1 (QCS 1) –** SOCPA, Dec 2023

- **Annual Inventory Procedures for Client Warehouses – Introductory Course for External Auditors –** SOCPA, Dec 2023

- **IFRS 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers –** SOCPA, Oct 2023

- **Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Law – Awareness Course –** Financial Academy, Aug 2023

- **Workshop on Recurring Audit Inspection Findings –** SOCPA, Mar 2023

- **Conceptual Framework and Professional Mindset of the Certified Public Accountant – Workshop –** SOCPA, Mar 2023

Education

2008-05

Bachelor of Science: Accounting And Finance

Mansoura University - Egypt

Languages

- Arabic – Native
- English – Professional Proficiency

Personal Details

- Nationality: Egyptian
- Residence: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- Age: 38