

## NJSCPA Exam Cram Blog

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### Study Schedule

Hello everyone,

I have recently accepted an accounting position at Bederson and Company, a full service, regional accounting firm with offices in New Jersey and Delaware. For over one year, I interned at Bederson and now work at the firm's Northfield Avenue, West Orange office in the tax department dealing with matters concerning the IRS's Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Program.

I look forward to furthering my career and sitting for the CPA exam. The skills I have learned on the job greatly enhance the knowledge I obtained in school and will surely provide support in helping me pass each part of the CPA Exam.

Aside from the support on-the-job training will provide, however, I have found that for me, the most important tool for passing the exam is committing a reasonable and doable study schedule. Commitment to a study schedule requires active participation as opposed to just showing up. In my short experience with the CPA exam I have found that it is a lot easier to find excuses why not to study than to actually study. I have found myself doing chores around the house THAT I HATE TO DO rather than studying for the exam. Although I enjoy having a spotless closet and reorganized drawers, I would much rather pass the CPA exam.

In addition, the study schedule must take into account time for work and personal time. Personal time here can be defined as time for the family, friends, fitness, church, or anything that you enjoy. When allocating time study time has first priority followed by work and personal time. I have found that life has a way of interrupting well thought out schedules. That is why my study schedule is constantly being revised.

Today marks the beginning of my studying for AUD. My first order of business is to create a reasonable and doable study schedule to follow, before life steps in and co-authors the rewrite.

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