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# AICPA, NASBA and Prometric Announce U.S. CPA Exam to be Administered in Brazil

NEW YORK, NASHVILLE and BALTIMORE (October 18, 2011) – The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, and Prometric announced the international administration of the Uniform CPA Examination will be offered in Brazil, starting in February 2012.

The U.S. CPA exam is administered internationally as a service to foreign nationals, as well as, in response to escalating international demand for U.S. CPA licensure. In 2010, more than 10,000 international candidates traveled to the U.S. to take the U.S. CPA exam, a 22 percent increase from 2009.

Testing in Brazil will be open to citizens and long-term residents of Brazil, Argentina, Venezuela, and Colombia. U.S. citizens living abroad are eligible to test at any location.

The international administration of the exam, which will be offered in English, is the same as the U.S. exam administered by the AICPA, NASBA, and Prometric in the United States. Licensure requirements for international candidates are the same as for U.S. CPA candidates. Along with passing the Uniform CPA Examination, international candidates must meet educational and experience requirements as mandated by U.S. state boards of accountancy.

In the United States, boards of accountancy are the only governmental legal entities authorized to grant the U.S. CPA license. Registration for the international exam in Brazil will begin on November 1, and applications may be made through certain U.S. state boards of accountancy offering eligibility for international candidates. A list of participating state boards and information about fees will be posted on the NASBA website at <a href="https://www.nasba.org">www.nasba.org</a>.

In March, AICPA, NASBA and Prometric <u>announced</u> that the international administration of the Uniform CPA Examination will be offered August 2011 in Japan, Bahrain, Kuwait, Lebanon and the United Arab Emirates.

An international testing FAQ sheet is updated periodically at the AICPA <u>Uniform CPA Examination</u> <u>website</u>.

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#### About NASBA

Celebrating 103 years of service, the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) serves as a forum for the nation's state boards of accountancy, which administer the Uniform CPA Examination, license more than 650,000 certified public accountants and regulate the practice of public accountancy in the United States. NASBA's mission is to enhance the effectiveness of state boards of accountancy in meeting their regulatory responsibilities. The Association promotes the exchange of information among the accountancy boards, serving the needs of the 55 U.S. jurisdictions.

NASBA is headquartered in Nashville, Tenn., with a satellite office in New York, N.Y. and an International Call Center and Computer Testing Center in Guam. To learn more about NASBA, visit www.nasba.org.

#### About the AICPA

The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (<a href="www.aicpa.org">www.aicpa.org</a>), founded in 1887, is the world's largest association representing the accounting profession, with nearly 377,000 members in 128 countries. AICPA members represent many areas of practice, including business and industry, public practice, government, education, and consulting; membership is also available to accounting students and CPA candidates. The AICPA sets ethical standards for the profession and U.S. auditing standards for audits of private companies, non-profit organizations, federal, state and local governments. It develops and grades the Uniform CPA Examination.

The AICPA maintains offices in New York, Washington, DC, Durham, N.C., Ewing, N.J. and Lewisville, Texas.

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