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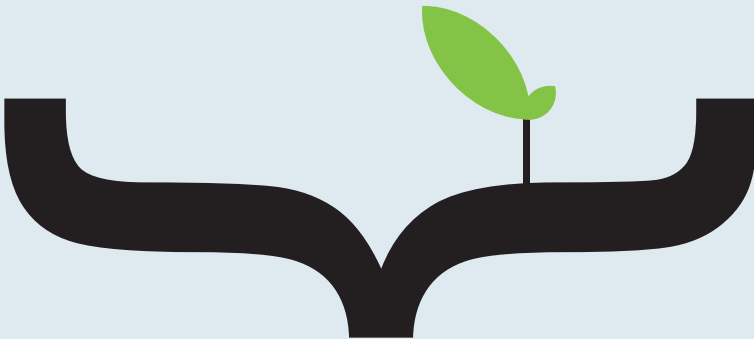
MEMBERSHIP

Join Australia's leading professional association in tax

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Tax is a dynamic profession, touching everyone from government and large corporations to small business and individuals.



To provide great advice, practitioners must remain up to date with the changing landscape.

OUR ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE

An *invitation* from the CEO

If you work in tax, membership of The Tax Institute is essential. Members belong to a community of the most knowledgeable tax practitioners. Joining this community opens a door to powerful resources, progressive education and influential networks.

Australia's changing scene

Taxpayers want to know that their practitioner has the right qualifications to manage their affairs. Constantly evolving tax law and administration means that practitioners need to have the skills and knowledge to be able to unravel complex tax law changes.

The Tax Institute's members are equipped to provide the best advice in these times of flux. And since we're a Recognised Tax Agent Association, membership helps you meet the Tax Agent Service Regulation requirements.

"I invite you to join our community and enhance your professional status."



Stand out from the crowd

We can all profit from an exchange of ideas, whether a recent graduate or with many years' experience. Our reputation for being at the forefront transfers to our members, helping raise profiles and strengthen credentials. Our edge comes from being the only body devoted exclusively to tax – led by tax experts to benefit tax experts.

If tax is your specialty, I invite you to join our community and enhance your professional status.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Noel Rowland". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Noel Rowland
CEO
The Tax Institute

ABOUT US

Advocacy, knowledge and networks

The Tax Institute was born in 1943, when inspiration struck a Sydney accountant named Harold Irving. He decided to try and improve the position of tax agents, tax law and its administration.



Since then, Australia's tax system has changed greatly. Likewise The Tax Institute has evolved, grown and become increasingly respected. Dynamic and responsive, the Institute has helped shape changes that benefit its members and the taxpaying community.

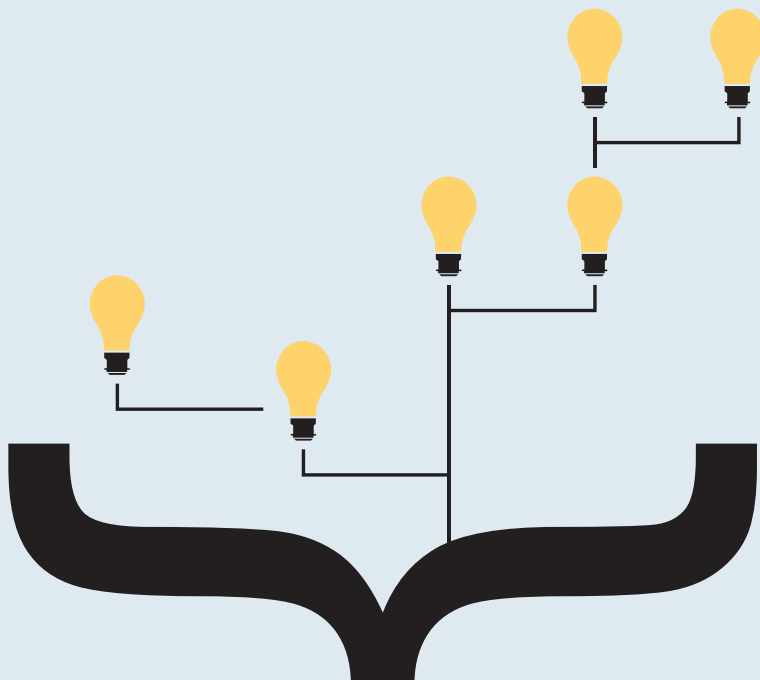
Collaboration is our cornerstone

Over six decades later, our values, friendships and the unselfish desire to learn from each other are central to our success. The Institute is known for its committed volunteers and the altruistic sharing of knowledge. Members are actively involved with the Institute, ensuring that the technical products and services on offer meet the varied needs of tax professionals.

Committed to tax experts

Today we are Australia's leading professional association in tax, with offices in most major cities. Focusing solely on tax, the Institute provides the best resources, education and networks. Our mission is to equip tax professionals with everything they need to demonstrate the highest level of expertise.

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GIVE YOURSELF AN EDGE

Our *membership* benefits

Status and recognition

Our forward-thinking media and education will keep you in sync with the evolving tax system. Moreover, you will receive the status and recognition of belonging to a community known to attract the best and brightest tax professionals.

Taxation in Australia journal

Stay informed with this sought-after monthly journal. Written by practitioners, it contains the latest tax news, rulings, ATO developments, product information and tips.

TaxVine e-newsletter and online updates

Receive the leading weekly tax e-newsletter and daily online tax news updates.

TaxLine research and library services

Access our comprehensive library of articles, case law, legislation, reports, papers and commentary. Or take advantage of the free service provided by our dedicated tax researchers.

“Get an edge, build career momentum, and keep ahead of the game!”

Stephanie Young
MGI Melbourne

Discounted education, CPD and publications

Build knowledge with significant member discounts on premium structured education, CPD (including live nationwide events, online modules and a streaming media service) and publications (including books, convention papers and CD-ROMs), all designed by leading practitioners.

Business alliance partner offers

Enjoy a number of third party promotions and discounts, and exposure to the latest products and services for your business.

Tax research and policy

Help improve our industry by contributing to comments and submissions on tax legislation and administration, state revenue draft rulings and guidelines, ATO issues, and government tax policy initiatives.



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Who joins The Tax Institute

**Little form,
big returns.**
How to apply
for membership.

**You're three
easy steps away
from becoming
a member of
The Tax Institute.**

- 1 Select your membership level (page 8) and complete the application form.
- 2 Attach copies of supporting documents that prove your eligibility.
- 3 Fax, email or post your form and documents to us.

Application forms can be downloaded from our website, taxinstitute.com.au, or you can request an an electronic or hard copy by contacting us on the details below.

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GPO Box 1694, Sydney, NSW 2001



CHOOSE YOUR LEVEL

Criteria membership

Three levels of membership are available to tax professionals. Each category demonstrates a different level of expertise and has its own eligibility criteria. These are achieved by meeting academic and workplace qualifications or the successful completion of education courses offered by The Tax Institute.

* **People applying for Fellow or Associate membership must satisfy any one or more of the following criteria:**

- 1 has been awarded a degree or postgraduate degree from an Australian tertiary institution or an equivalent institution in the discipline of accounting; or
- 2 has been awarded a diploma or higher award from a registered training organisation or an equivalent institution in the discipline of accountancy; or
- 3 has the academic qualifications required to be an Australian legal practitioner; or
- 4 the applicant was:
 - (a) registered as a tax agent or a nominee immediately before 1 March 2010; and
 - (b) a voting member of a recognised professional association immediately before 1 March 2010;
- 5 has the equivalent of eight years of full-time experience in providing tax agent services in the past 10 years.

Affiliate

A person will be eligible to apply to be admitted as an Affiliate of the Institute if he or she:

- 1 is of good fame, integrity and character; and
- 2 satisfies one or more of the following criteria:
 - has passed the Institute's Foundation Tax assessment;
 - does not have three years' relevant tax experience but would otherwise qualify for admission as an Associate; or
 - is enrolled in the Institute's Applied Tax course; or
 - is an employee of a commonwealth or state revenue authority engaged in taxation practice or administration; or
 - is a person having an interest in the affairs of the Institute which National Council resolves to admit as an Affiliate.

Associate

A person will be eligible to apply to be admitted as an Associate of the Institute if he or she:

- 1 meets one of the membership criteria* (as stated to the left); and
- 2 is of good fame, integrity and character; and
- 3 satisfies one or more of the following criteria:
 - has at least three years' relevant tax experience; or
 - has passed the Institute's Applied Tax assessment.

Fellow

A person will be eligible to apply to be admitted as a Fellow of the Institute if he or she:

- 1 meets one of the membership criteria* (as stated to the left); and
- 2 is of good fame, integrity and character; and
- 3 has passed the Advanced Tax assessment; and
- 4 has at least five years' relevant tax experience.

We are the first place practitioners go to meet their professional needs and strengthen their reputation. Numbering more than 13,000, our members range from new entrants to experienced tax agents, accountants, lawyers and practitioners in corporations, government and academia.



You can start enjoying our member benefits from the date we receive your application. It will be presented for approval to the relevant state council at its next monthly meeting.

FROM GRADUATE TO PARTNER

Meet a member on the *fast track*

Kirsten Fish FTIA Partner, Clayton Utz

Kirsten is an accomplished tax professional who quickly understood the career benefits of her specialty. She is also an active member of The Tax Institute and is dedicated to refining her skills and driving her career.

What qualifications did you have when entering the tax profession?

Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Wollongong.

How did you start your career in tax?

After university, I gained practical experience in an accounting and law firm, and became a member of The Tax Institute.

How have you achieved success?

After commencing with Blake Dawson as a summer clerk, I returned in late 2000 as a graduate. I acquired experience in both the tax and banking/financial services teams before settling on a career in tax. In 2004, I was promoted to Senior Associate. Twelve months later I accepted an offer to join Clayton Utz, and was made a partner in 2008.

My next career steps include making further contributions to the tax profession through my involvement in The Tax Institute, playing a role in the development of younger tax practitioners, and continuing to broaden my own skills.



Q&A

Questions? We're only a call or a click away.

We hope you may be considering membership in our exclusive network after seeing our broad offering.

If you have any questions, please contact 02 8223 0060 or email membership@taxinstitute.com.au



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