# Seattle Chapter



## The Institute of Internal Auditors

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear IIA Seattle Chapter Members,

Welcome back, I hope everyone had a wonderful summer!! We are very excited to kick off the Chapter year, thank you for helping us celebrate our 75th year as a chapter. Our member satisfaction survey closed on September 13th, we appreciate everyone who took the time to complete the survey. The feedback is a valuable tool that helps our leadership team focus efforts to better support all of you. We have an exciting year on tap and look forward to getting together as chapter several times this year. In October SeattleU is hosting their annual Data Analytics conference, we look forward to sharing the date and registration details shortly.

We have several volunteer positions we are looking to fill, if you are passionate about academic relations, programming, member engagement, communications or want to volunteer your financial skills to support our treasurer we'd love to hear from you at <u>chapter34@iiachaptercommunications.org</u>.

Have a wonderful month!!!

Your Seattle Chapter IIA President

Cynthia Behnen Gillison

# Meet your FY24/25 Chapter Officers!



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# **Chapter News & Events**

## Call for Volunteers !

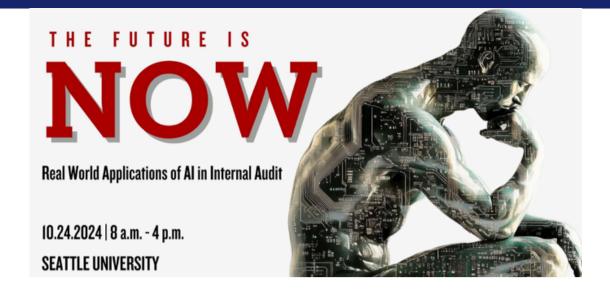
We are actively looking for volunteers for the following roles. You can earn up to 12 CPE for your support as a volunteer. Please contact us for more information. Or if you have any other areas of interest, we are always looking for more volunteers.

- Social Media Content Manager
- Our Chapter EMT tool help us manage membership and communication to all members!

Interested candidates should reach out to the chapter with their nomination or with any questions. The Chapter can be reached at chapter34@iiachaptercommunications.org.

Additionally, we are regularly looking for volunteers to assist with programming, academic relations, communications and secretarial duties. If you are interested in supporting your chapter (volunteers can earn up to 12 CPEs throughout the year), please also reach out to the chapter email address.

Thanks for your interest!



"How can AI be used for internal audit?" "What are the best AI tools for internal auditors?" "How to use generative AI in internal audit?" "Can internal audit be automated?" "How should we audit, or risk assess the use of AI by our stakeholders?"

These are a few of the most common queries about the use of artificial intelligence (AI) in the internal audit world. Get the latest perspectives and opinions from experts at the one-day 2024 Seattle University Internal Audit and Data Analytics Conference on October 24.

'The Future is Now: Real World Applications of AI in Internal Audit' explores how internal audit teams are building their audit data analytics muscle using AI and creating value. Listen to how these teams are innovating and building AI use cases.

Whether you run a data analytics department or are just starting one, come join others who share working and creating a strong return on investment (ROI) in deploying AI. Networking opportunities will allow you to discuss some of the AI use cases during the conference.

Senior executives presenting and participating represent blue-chip companies such as Amazon, Deloitte, Microsoft, PwC, T-Mobile, and more.

This conference is organized in partnership with the Seattle chapters of the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI).

**<u>Click here to register!</u>** 

# **CIA Challenge Exam**

The more focused path to Certification

The CIA Challenge Exam is your chance to join the more than 185,000 CIAs who have achieved this highly respected global certification.

As a CISA<sup>™</sup> holder or an active CPA or CA holder, you can take advantage of this limited opportunity to earn the Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®) designation through an expedited process called the CIA Challenge Exam. This expedited process allows you to obtain the CIA designation after successfully passing the one-part examination.

The CIA Challenge Exam only includes content not covered on your CISA<sup>™</sup>, CPA or CA exam, saving you time and money.

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## CIA Challenge Exam: Application Deadline Extended

The deadline for Qualified Accountants and CISA<sup>™</sup> holders to apply for the CIA Challenge Exam has been extended through <u>9 October</u>! For more information, please click here: https://www.theiia.org/CIAChallenge



# **IIA Seattle Events - Students**

Are you interfacing with students? We encourage you to have them sign up for a FREE student membership! They will get access to:

- Internal Auditor Magazine
- Member only discounts
- Scholarship opportunity

Students can use the code: IIA Student. They likely do not want to go by themselves. However, a group of students from a class or as a guest with a professor can be a great learning/networking opportunity.

Reach out to chapter34@iiachaptercommunications.org with any questions!

Austin Bailey, Seattle VP Academic Relations





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Log into the site below and submit a student application. <u>https://myiia.theiia.org/Student/Index</u>

# Certification



## **BreAnn Walter Berry**

## **Members Achieving CRMA Certifications**

**Tad Jacroux** 

## <u>CIA Syllabi Changes</u>

Changes are coming to the CIA exams in 2025. The FINAL version of updated CIA syllabi will be posted to www.theiia.org/CIA2025 on 9/30 along with a list of candidate scenarios, FAQs, and additional details.

## Annual Certification Renewal

Certification renewal will begin in October. CIA certifications in Revoked status can now be restored to Active with just one exam. Individuals who wish to participate will only need to complete a recertification application and CIA Part 1. This new policy is posted to theiia.org/CPErequirements.





## **Registration is open!**

### 2024 IGNITE Conference

The IGNITE conference is a brand-new offering that will deliver an interactive experience for emerging leaders and auditors who are interested in gaining hands-on tools that are necessary for the future of internal audit. The conference will include deeper networking & engagement opportunities, dynamic keynote speakers, and deep dives into new and emerging topics.

Oct 21 - 23, 2024 | Las Vegas, Nevada

#### 2024 Cybersecurity Virtual Conference

The 2024 Cybersecurity Virtual Conference is a one-day conference specifically designed to ensure participants stay not only abreast, but ahead of critical issues in data protection, data privacy and cybersecurity to become more responsive in their work. Oct 30, 2024 | Virtual, Only

#### 2024 AuditSphere: A Virtual Conference for Small Audit Teams

This event will provide the small shop auditor with additional guidance and expertise to be able to manage the unique relationships and challenges faced by those with small staff yet increasing board expectation.

Dec 05, 2024 | Virtual, Only

#### 2025 Fraud Virtual Conference

The Fraud Virtual Conference is part of a series of one day conferences designed to help internal auditors stay ahead of critical issues and be more responsive in their work. Feb 20, 2025 | Virtual, Only

#### 2025 GAM Conference

Join the most esteemed gathering of internal audit innovators, leaders, and trailblazers at 2025 GAM: Great Audit Minds. Immerse yourself in a dynamic learning environment where you can collaborate and tackle today's pressing business and audit challenges while pioneering the frontiers of tomorrow. By participating, you will gain invaluable insights, forge meaningful connections, and acquire the tools and knowledge necessary to bring true value to your organization. Embrace the future of internal audit and revolutionize your impact today.

Mar 10 - 12, 2025 | Kissimmee, Florida

## **Quality Services**

IIA Quality Services helps validate and strengthen your internal audit activity and enhances your effectiveness, efficiency, and successful practice implementation.

As a trusted source in the profession, we have helped hundreds of organizations in various industries and around the world by providing qualified audit professionals, a global benchmarking database, and a repository of successful practices. We assist CAEs in gaining support from the audit committee, enhance understanding of why an external assessment is necessary and valuable, and describe the different approaches.

For questions about our services, please contact IIA Quality Services at quality@theiia.org or read more here.

# Certification Online Testing Available Now

To support the continued professional development of certification candidates around the world and in response to mass Pearson VUE test center closures due to COVID-19, The IIA has adopted online testing to enable candidates to take the Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®), Certification in Risk Management Assurance® (CRMA®), and CIA Challenge exams from home. This flexible testing option will be available for a limited time..

**IIA Certification Information**