

# IBTC's Quick Guide to CIMA FLP



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Registered Tuition Provider

## Go from Zero to CGMA with FLP.

FLP is a new route to gain your CIMA qualification. On this route you only need to complete three Case Study Exams - No more Objective Tests! You will do all your learning, Continuous Assessments, and exam prep on the FLP Study Portal, which follows the same syllabus as the traditional CIMA Professional Qualification.

## What is FLP?

**You can qualify faster with FLP!**

The FLP programme is entirely self-directed, so you can study at whatever pace you prefer.

We recommend that you study 6hrs a week and set aside at least 3 months for E, P & F subjects, and 1 month for Case Study prep.

It is entirely possible to complete multiple levels in a year. Typically, a learning level takes around 75–125 hours to complete and case study preparation takes an additional 25–35 hours.

# 6 Steps to Success

### Step 1 - Check for exemptions

**Check if you qualify for exemptions.**

Call us for a free consultation – we can tell fairly quickly what your possible exemptions will be on PQ (traditional route) and on FLP. Have your qualifications handy so we can check on the handy [CIMA exemption calculator](#).

### Step 2 - Decide on a route

Once we have explained the difference between PQ and FLP you can then decide which route is best suited for you. If you are not sure which route is best for you, please contact us.

## Why IBTC?

FLP is a subscription-based route to obtaining your CGMA designation. During your subscription period you will have access to all OT and Case Study resources. Your subscription fee includes CIMA registration, exemptions, subscription, exams and rewrite fees for all levels.

*You also have the option of adding IBTC Case Study Classes to your subscription by selecting the FLPPremium option.*

*our FLP Premium Plus includes case study classes and pillar revision videos on request.*

## CIMA Entry Routes, Exemptions & Special Pathways

### EXISTING STUDENTS

Existing students on the Professional Qualification can transition to FLP on a like-for-like basis. Exams passed will be credited on FLP.

### CERTIFICATE LEVEL ENTRY ROUTE

No existing qualification or relevant experience needed.

### OPERATIONAL LEVEL ENTRY ROUTE

Bachelor Degree in business-related field, not specialising in finance.

### MANAGEMENT LEVEL ENTRY ROUTE

Bachelor Degree in Accounting and Finance.

### STRATEGIC LEVEL ENTRY ROUTE

A current SAICA member.

### BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING ELSE

Determine your exemptions and select your route. You have to choose between the Professional Qualification (PQ) route with OT exams and Case Study exams, OR the Finance Leadership Programme (FLP) route, with only Case Study exams and a subscription model.

### We can help.

Send us your transcripts and qualification certificate and we will check your exemptions on PQ and FLP or we will apply for your exemptions on your behalf.

Once you have determined your entry level, you can still decide between the PQ and FLP routes.



**Let us help** you with your FLP registration & exemptions.

Simply email [info@ibtc.co.za](mailto:info@ibtc.co.za) & ask for CIMA Assist.

### Step 1 - Choose subscription length

If you like the FLP route, we must decide if you need a 1, 2 or 3- year subscription.

A 1-year subscription should enable you to complete up to two Case Study Exams, with two rewrite opportunities.

With a 2-year subscription, you should be able to easily complete three Case Study Exams, with three rewrite opportunities.

With a 3-year subscription you should be able to complete the whole of CIMA from the foundation level with three rewrite opportunities.

*Most students will benefit from a 2-year subscription, which is enough time to complete all three levels.*

### Step 2 - Select a start date

Carefully select your start date to maximise your Case Study windows.

We recommend that you start on 1 March, 1 June, 1 September or 1 December of each year.

### Step 3 - Purchase your subscription

Buy a FLP subscription (FLP standard, premium or premium plus) from IBTC.

*FLP subscriptions cannot be bought directly from CIMA in South Africa.*

### Step 4 - Register on the CIMA website

Now register on the CIMA global website and provide us with your account number. Please hyperlink the word website to [cimaglobal.com](http://cimaglobal.com)

## YOU ARE NOW READY TO GET STARTED!

*PS: If you have selected FLP Premium or FLP Premium Plus then you should let us know which Virtual Case Study classes you want to attend when the time is right.*



## Why study with IBTC?

Get local tutor access and student support, as well as optional Case Study classes for all levels.

We are the Case Study experts with a consistently high pass rate, time and again.

On average we achieve a 19% higher pass rate than CIMA global average.



### Looking for financing?

We have collaborated with Student Hero to help students compare, apply and qualify for student finance offers from multiple South African banks and finance providers – all from a single platform.

## FLP STANDARD, FLP PREMIUM OR FLP PREMIUM PLUS

Which option is right for you? All give you access to CIMA's FLP platform, but with FLP premium you get the added benefit of IBTC Case Study Classes to ensure that you are 100% prepared to ace the examination.

	FLP STANDARD	FLP PREMIUM	FLP PREMIUM PLUS
CIMA registration, exemption and subscription fees	✓	✓	✓
CIMA online study material and self-assessments for all OTs across all levels	✓	✓	✓
All learning material for all CIMA subjects and levels	✓	✓	✓
2 exam tokens for Operations Case Study (one exam and one re-sit token)	✓	✓	✓
2 exam tokens for Management Case Study (one exam and one re-sit token)	✓	✓	✓
2 exam tokens for Strategic Case Study (one exam and one re-sit token)	✓	✓	✓
Unlimited email tutor support and IBTC student support	✓	✓	✓
IBTC Case Study Classes - All Levels		✓	✓
Revision pre recorded lecture videos			✓

### Meet your Tutor & Support Team

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