

## ACCA LECTURERS' PROFILES – July 2010 Semester

A team of experienced, knowledgeable & skillful individuals, meticulously selected by the College. Some of them have made a name for themselves and are fit to be called "Star Lecturers". They have produced results – prize winners, high pass rates & praises from students. They are among the best ACCA lecturers in Singapore, Hong Kong and Malaysia in terms of experience, pass rates and popularity among ACCA students. It took them years to figure out the best technique to teach a particular concept and to "perfect" that technique. They can open your eyes and make you understand ideas which you may have failed to understand in the past. They can make you understand a concept in a short period of time and make you see the bigger picture. In other words, they will "wow" you. On the other hand, an inexperienced lecturer may take hours to explain the very same concept and will, in most cases, ended up confusing the students. These Star Lecturers are years ahead of the ordinary lecturers. Let them guide you because you are worthy of the best and no less. Now you don't have to go to Singapore or KL to experience the best there – Crescendo has just brought them to JB.

Papers	Full-time classes	Part-time classes
F1	Ms Lek Lin Na	Ms Lek Lin Na
F2	Mr Jason Hee	Mr Jason Hee
F3	Mr Jason Hee	Mr Wilson Low
F4	Mr Gary Ng	Mr Gary Ng
F5	Mr SK Hoo	Mr SK Hoo
F6	Mr Hun Jiang Yann	Mr Hun Jiang Yann
F7	Mr CH Chan – Consolidated Acc Mr CJ Tee – Acc Std	Mr CH Chan – Consolidated Acc Mr CJ Tee – Acc Std
F8	Mr Teo Sau Keong	Mr Teo Sau Keong
F9	Mr Chow Kim Tai Mr CH Chan – Tutorial	Mr Chow Kim Tai Mr CH Chan – Tutorial
P1	-	Mr Parmindar Singh
P2	-	Mr CH Chan – Consolidated Acc Mr CJ Tee – Acc Std
P3	-	Mr Chin See Choo (Mr Andy Tan will be back in Jan 2011)
P4	-	Mr Chow Kim Tai
P5	-	Mr Chow Kim Tai
P6	-	Mr Siva Nair

### **P3 ANDY TAN - Let Him Groom You to be the Next Prize Winner**

Andy Tan is one of the lecturers from our international team who has lectured in Singapore, Hong Kong, China, and Uganda. With more than 10 years in the ACCA lecturing arena, Andy is considered one of the best P3 lecturers in Singapore and Hong Kong because his classes could draw in crowds of as big as 200 students. He was able to groom many students into prize winners in Singapore, Hong Kong and Malaysia including students from Crescendo. Andy writes his own lecture notes, mind maps and practice questions. He has also written numerous P3 related articles for ACCA Student Accountant (HK). These articles are available online in ACCA's website. ACCA has also invited Andy to train lecturers in Hong Kong under ACCA's Train-the-trainer programme.

### **F9, P4 & P5 CHOW KIM TAI - Renowned Management Accounting & Finance Lecturer is now in JB**

Thousands of students in Singapore & KL fondly remember his name, Chow Kim Tai, for he has helped them passed the ACCA Papers. In January 2004, Crescendo International College was proud to have him in our team. Chow Kim Tai has lectured ACCA subjects for more than 15 years in ACCA teaching centers around the world. A lot of students in Singapore & KL considered Chow Kim Tai as one of the best management accounting & finance lecturers in Singapore and Malaysia; if not, the best. He continues to lecture regularly in Singapore, KL & JB, and occasionally goes to China for revision classes. His reputation is so good that many lecturers in KL and JB have attended his class just to learn his teaching style and techniques. Chow Kim Tai writes his own lecture notes and practice kit. He has also co-written and reviewed the Financial Management guidance notes for a professional accounting body in Hong Kong. A number of his students in Singapore and KL were prize winners for his subjects.

### **F7, P2, F8 CJ TEE**

CJ Tee graduated from the ACCA programme when he was only 20 years old. Ever since then, he has been tutoring & lecturing in KL. He came to Crescendo in March 2010 and has taught F7 (Full-time) and P2 (Part-time). He is also one of the very few ACCA lecturers whom students liked (and felt comfortable with) after just a few lessons. Crescendo's contract with him is such that he spends about 3 days in a week at Crescendo, and this allows him to offer "extra" one-to-one or group tutorials to the full-time students who wish to see him after classes. Students can learn many tips and best practices from Mr CJ Tee because he is also one of the top ACCA graduates who has obtained above 70 marks for 6 ACCA papers, which includes financial reporting & auditing. By the way, his favourite subject is finance and that has brought him to teach CIMA's Strategic Level paper, Financial Strategy, at Crescendo. Mr CJ Tee was also the president of ACCA Student Council for Malaysia while he was still a student. One of the benefits students will obtain from attending his class is that Mr CJ Tee believes in giving progress tests to the students. According to him, this method provides great motivation for students to have an early start in preparing for the ACCA exam and will most certainly improve their chances of passing.

### **F3 WILSON LOW**

Wilson has tutored hundreds of students at Crescendo. Students commented that he has the ability to describe concepts and ideas in a very clear manner. Wilson is also well-liked by students because he always makes time to help them. F3 students in Wilson's class will be expected to attempt a lot of exercises.

**F1 LEK LIN NA**

Lin Na has been teaching ACCA F1 since July 2008. Hundreds of Crescendo's students have passed F1 due to her effort. Lin Na adopts a very systematic approach in teaching. She incorporates a continuous assessment policy in her teaching where the students are tested after every chapter. She is also approachable and is always willing to help students with problems. With Lin Na, most importantly, students are assured of a well-prepared and dedicated lecturer.

**F8 S.K.TEO - His Vast Audit Experience Will Make a Difference in Your Answers**

Mr. Teo lectures in Singapore and JB on audit subjects. Mr Teo is one of the pioneer ACCA lecturers in JB for the ACCA audit paper as he started lecturing the ACCA Advanced Audit paper in Crescendo since 6 years ago. Many of his ACCA students have graduated since then. Lots of students complimented Mr. Teo for his audit knowledge & experience which helps in providing "good" answers to audit questions. Many who have passed ACCA Advanced Audit have commended Mr Teo as being very helpful and approachable, and acknowledged this through "thank you" letter to the college. Mr. Teo also keeps himself up-to-date with the latest changes in audit practice and frequently shares news & articles on accounting & audit with the students. Mr Teo has been providing exam practice classes for F8 students at Crescendo. He believes in 'continuous assessment' where feedbacks are given to the students. He gives mock exams to the F8 students and has found that students improved significantly after every mock exam.

**F2, F3 JASON HEE - Never a Dull Moment**

Mr. Jason Hee is a highly acclaimed lecturer for financial accounting in JB. With more than 10 years of teaching experience, he excels in ACCA's F2 and F3, University of London's Principles of Accounting and A-Level Accounting. Thousands of students in JB who had passed their accounting examinations have a few words to describe Mr. Jason, that is, "up-to-date notes, exam oriented lectures with lots of past year questions, and lively lectures with humour and a very loud voice". Students will never have a dull moment in his class. However, be prepared to attempt a lot of questions in his class because he has a policy of "talk less do more". Many of his students in various programmes have won prizes, including an ACCA student. Passing rates for F2 & F3 under Jason have always been very high.

**F7, F9, P2 CH CHAN**

CH Chan has been an ACCA F7 tutor since July 2009 with Crescendo. He is also one of the top ACCA students who obtained more than 70 marks for ACCA P2 Corporate Reporting. Consolidated accounting & Financial management are his specialized areas. In this semester, CH Chan will assist Mr CJ Tee for F7 & P2 and Mr Chow Kim Tai for F9.

**F6 HUN JIANG YANN - A Experienced Lecturer with A Proven Track Record to Guide You**

Students have described Mr. Hun as a very responsible and dedicated lecturer. Mr. Hun has been teaching tax for more than 10 years. Students have complimented him for his very systematic approach in teaching. His notes are also very exam-oriented and easy to understand. Mr Hun has designed the F6 classes in a very unique system which can accommodate 2 types of student: (1) students without tax knowledge & (2) students with tax foundation. In this unique system, students who have not studied tax before are given 8 extra basic classes before they join the more advanced classes. Apart from teaching, Mr. Hun is also no stranger to public speaking as he has conducted public seminars in JB. In addition, Mr Hun has more than 10 years of work experience in audit, taxation and management consultancy. Mr. Hun is also a Certified Financial Planner, a Fellow of the Association of International Accountants (UK), a member of the Association of Tax & Management Accountants (Australia), and holds a Master's Degree in Financial Planning.

**PI DR PARMINDAR SINGH - A Tough Act To Follow**

Dr Parmindar Singh is one of the leading lecturers in KL for ACCA PI. People say ACCA is a lecturer-driven programme. This is most certainly true for Dr Parmindar where ACCA students queue up for his classes in KL. Come this Jan 2010, Dr Parmindar will set to hit JB as the new PI lecturer in town. JB students will experience one of KL's best theory lecturers. Many lecturers, including top lecturers, have acknowledged that Dr Parmindar is superb in explaining theories and concepts, and makes you think as you learn these "dry" theories. He is also very exam-oriented. And most interestingly of all, he can make learning fun with his jokes and stories.

**P6 SIVA NAIR – The Real Deal for Advanced Tax**

Siva Nair has been teaching tax in KL for more than 15 years. Siva is one of the very few lecturers who possess the technical expertise to teach Advanced Taxation in KL. Apart from lecturing, Siva Nair is also the marker for ACCA P6 Advanced Taxation (M'sia variant). He has written many technical articles on tax for ACCA's student magazine in Malaysia. His tax articles can be found in ACCA's website. Siva Nair is a very dedicated lecturer who writes his own lecture notes and makes the students practise on ACCA Past Year questions in the class. In fact the past year questions are incorporated as part of his notes. He is well-known for covering all examinable areas. In his lecture, students will receive tips on how to obtain the maximum mark. Siva always insists on using the first few lessons for a revision of basic tax (as in F6) before guiding the students into the advanced stage. Students in JB will benefit from such a technically strong and experienced lecturer, especially one who is very familiar with ACCA tax questions at the "advanced" level. JB students can be assured they are in safe hands under Siva's guidance – thanks to Siva Nair, many of Crescendo's students who selected P6 as their choice have passed and graduated from the ACCA programme.

**F4 GARY NG**

Gary is a lecturer who has earned praises from some of the top ACCA lecturers in Crescendo. His presence has further strengthened the ACCA team at Crescendo. Gary has been a star student since he enrolled in Crescendo's A Level programme until he graduated from the University of London's law programme. He is a very strong researcher and believes in writing his own notes. Another of his greatest strength is his ability to explain in a way that a non-law student can understand. Gary also believes in making the students practise as much as possible by giving them class exercises and homework. He also gives them progress tests which he said is important for students to get feedbacks so that they can gauge their own level of understanding & are aware of their own weaknesses. During discussion, Gary will show and train the students the "right" way to write a law essay answer. Many of Crescendo's ACCA students (A Level, UOL & ACCA) have credited Gary in helping them get good grades. F4 is a theory paper and to pass or excel, students can rely on Gary because he was an "A" student before; and he'll certainly show you how to be an "A" student as well.

**F5 SK HOO**

Mr. Hoo first joined Crescendo in July 2008 as the ACCA F5 and CIMA's Management Accounting lecturer. Prior to joining Crescendo, Mr Hoo has been teaching accounting for more than 10 years and has students who won prizes. At Crescendo, he specializes in management accounting. Mr Hoo's lecture is very practice-driven in which he gives a lot of class exercises and homework to the students. In ACCA F5 classes, he likes to "broaden & deepen" the minds of ACCA students by giving them challenging questions from not just ACCA but CIMA so that his students are well-prepared for all situations and will not be caught by surprises. With his friendly attitude, Mr Hoo enjoys good rapport with students and is always willing to help them.

**P3 CHIN SEE CHO**

Mr SC Chin has more than 15 years of experience in teaching strategic management papers such as ACCA's P3 (formerly Paper 3.5) and university courses in KL. Currently he is based in one of KL's premier ACCA colleges but he also travels to Uganda for ACCA P3, something which he has been doing for more than 10 years. Mr Chin is very approachable and friendly.